



**Westlaw UK
Case Law
Quick Reference
Guide**

Inner Temple Library

Coverage

- Full text of The Law Reports 1865 onwards and other series of reports including: Weekly Law Reports 1953 onwards; Criminal Appeal Reports 1967 onwards; Fleet Street Reports 1966 onwards
- Full text of many Sweet & Maxwell / Thomson law reports
- Full text of transcripts of selected cases 1999 onwards

Methods of Searching

There are three main ways of searching for cases.

1. *Westlaw Front Page*

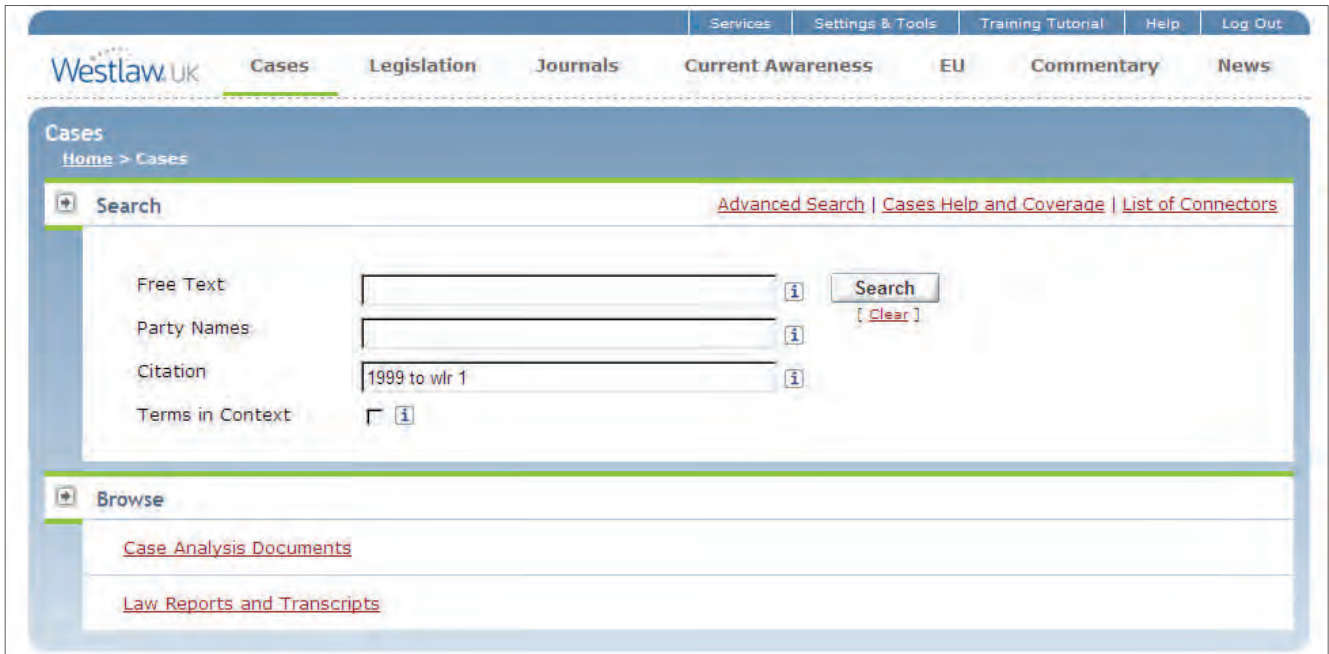
Search Westlaw UK - this is a free text option where you can enter either a case name or subject terms in the search box. When entering names of parties you do not need to use “v” or “and”.

Deselect all other material types apart from cases. Click **Search**.

The screenshot displays the Westlaw UK search interface. At the top, there are navigation tabs for Services, Settings & Tools, Training Tutorial, Help, and Log Out. Below these are main category tabs: Cases, Legislation, Journals, Current Awareness, EU, Commentary, and News. The main search area is titled 'Search Westlaw UK' and features a search box containing the text 'al fayed' and a 'Search' button. Below the search box are several filter options: Cases (checked), Legislation, Journals, Current Awareness, European Union, Document Free Text (selected), Document Title, and Terms in Context. There are also links for 'Natural Language', 'Search Tips', and 'List of Connectors'. On the right side, there is a sidebar titled 'Common Law Library and Dicey, Morris & Collins' which lists several titles: 'Chitty on Contracts', 'Clerk & Lindsell on Torts', 'Dicey, Morris & Collins The Conflict of Laws', and 'Benjamin's Sale of Goods', with a 'More Titles...' link at the bottom. At the bottom of the page, there is a footer with '24 hour customer support 0800 028 2200', 'Sweet & Maxwell is part of Thomson Reuters. © 2010 Thomson Reuters (Legal) Limited', and the Thomson Reuters logo.

2. Cases Database

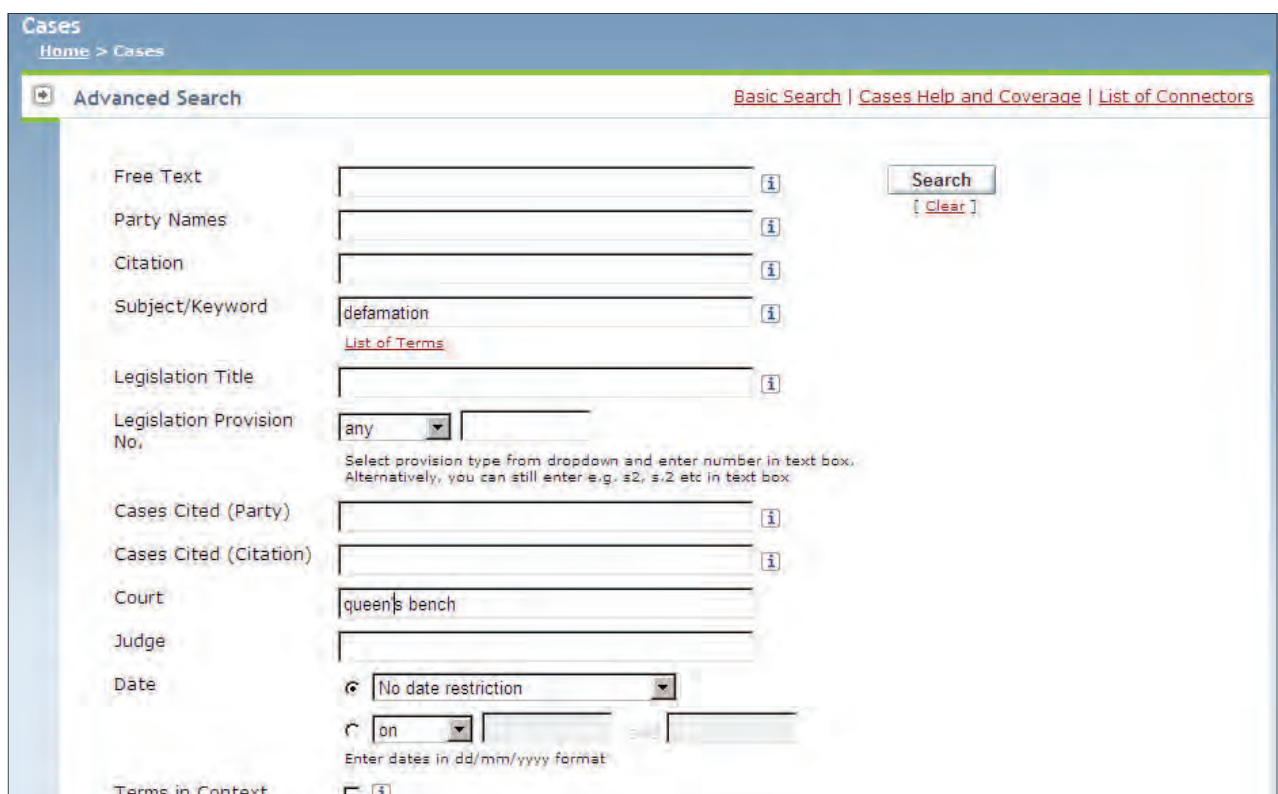
This is the simplest way of searching for a case if the party names are known or if you have a citation (either neutral or for a series of law reports Westlaw contains). Select the **Cases** tab from the top of the screen. Enter a case name, citation or free text terms in the appropriate box. Click **Search**.



The screenshot shows the Westlaw UK website's 'Cases' search page. At the top, there is a navigation bar with 'Cases' highlighted. Below the navigation bar, the page title is 'Cases' and the breadcrumb is 'Home > Cases'. The main search area is titled 'Search' and contains four input fields: 'Free Text', 'Party Names', 'Citation' (with '1999 to wlr 1' entered), and 'Terms in Context' (with a checkbox). A 'Search' button and a '[Clear]' link are positioned to the right of the input fields. Above the search area, there are links for 'Advanced Search', 'Cases Help and Coverage', and 'List of Connectors'. Below the search area, there is a 'Browse' section with links for 'Case Analysis Documents' and 'Law Reports and Transcripts'.

3. Advanced Search

Here you can enter additional information to refine your search, such as a court, judge or date restriction. In addition, a subject search may be carried out and a **List of Terms** link takes you to a list of legal subjects/keywords used by Westlaw editors.



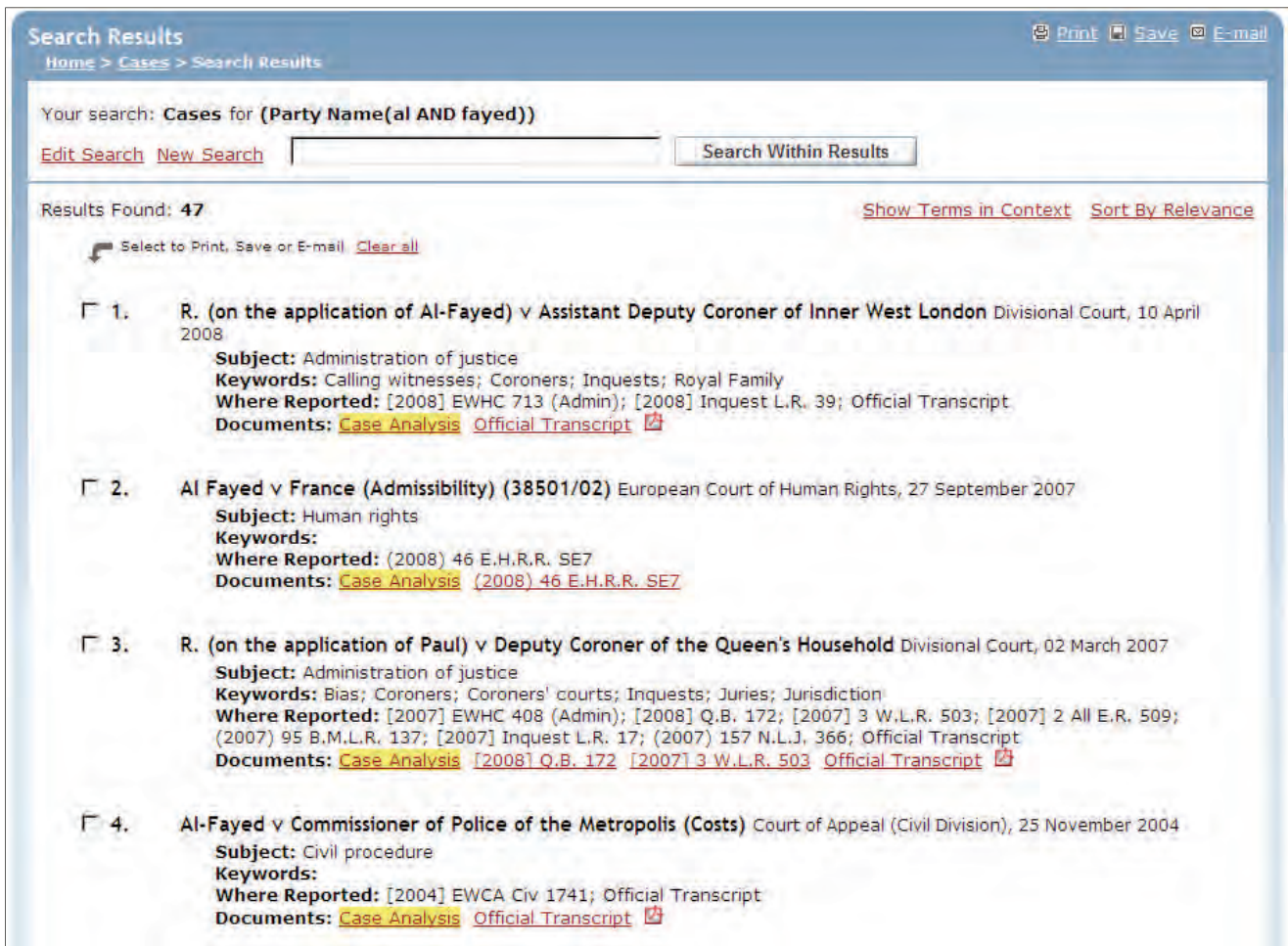
The screenshot shows the Westlaw UK website's 'Advanced Search' page. At the top, there is a navigation bar with 'Cases' highlighted. Below the navigation bar, the page title is 'Cases' and the breadcrumb is 'Home > Cases'. The main search area is titled 'Advanced Search' and contains several input fields: 'Free Text', 'Party Names', 'Citation', 'Subject/Keyword' (with 'defamation' entered and a 'List of Terms' link below it), 'Legislation Title', 'Legislation Provision No.' (with a dropdown menu set to 'any' and a text box), 'Cases Cited (Party)', 'Cases Cited (Citation)', 'Court' (with 'queen's bench' entered), 'Judge', 'Date' (with a dropdown menu set to 'No date restriction' and a text box), and 'Terms in Context' (with a checkbox). A 'Search' button and a '[Clear]' link are positioned to the right of the input fields. Below the search area, there is a 'Browse' section with links for 'Case Analysis Documents' and 'Law Reports and Transcripts'.

Browsing

In the Cases Database you can browse by selecting the Law Reports and Transcripts or Case Analysis links and then clicking on the title you wish to browse. By selecting a year or volume number you will see the contents of that year or volume, with links to the full text or summary as applicable.

Search Results

Results are displayed in date order with the most recent first. You can alter the arrangement to display by relevance by clicking the **Sort by Relevance** link on the top right of the screen. For each hit you have the option of selecting Case Analysis or Full Text of a law report or official transcript.



Search Results Print Save E-mail
Home > Cases > Search Results

Your search: **Cases for (Party Name(al AND fayed))**
[Edit Search](#) [New Search](#)

Results Found: **47** [Show Terms in Context](#) [Sort By Relevance](#)

Select to Print, Save or E-mail [Clear all](#)

1. **R. (on the application of Al-Fayed) v Assistant Deputy Coroner of Inner West London** Divisional Court, 10 April 2008
Subject: Administration of justice
Keywords: Calling witnesses; Coroners; Inquests; Royal Family
Where Reported: [2008] EWHC 713 (Admin); [2008] Inquest L.R. 39; Official Transcript
Documents: [Case Analysis](#) [Official Transcript](#)
2. **Al Fayed v France (Admissibility) (38501/02)** European Court of Human Rights, 27 September 2007
Subject: Human rights
Keywords:
Where Reported: (2008) 46 E.H.R.R. SE7
Documents: [Case Analysis](#) [\(2008\) 46 E.H.R.R. SE7](#)
3. **R. (on the application of Paul) v Deputy Coroner of the Queen's Household** Divisional Court, 02 March 2007
Subject: Administration of justice
Keywords: Bias; Coroners; Coroners' courts; Inquests; Juries; Jurisdiction
Where Reported: [2007] EWHC 408 (Admin); [2008] Q.B. 172; [2007] 3 W.L.R. 503; [2007] 2 All E.R. 509; (2007) 95 B.M.L.R. 137; [2007] Inquest L.R. 17; (2007) 157 N.L.J. 366; Official Transcript
Documents: [Case Analysis](#) [\[2008\] Q.B. 172](#) [\[2007\] 3 W.L.R. 503](#) [Official Transcript](#)
4. **Al-Fayed v Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis (Costs)** Court of Appeal (Civil Division), 25 November 2004
Subject: Civil procedure
Keywords:
Where Reported: [2004] EWCA Civ 1741; Official Transcript
Documents: [Case Analysis](#) [Official Transcript](#)

Case Analysis

The Case Analysis documents include the following information (where applicable)

- Appellate History
- Related Cases
- Significant Cases Cited
- All Cases Cited
- Key Cases Cited
- Journal Articles

There are also options to view information about the case in tabular form or to view its history in graphical form.

The screenshot displays a legal database interface for a case analysis. The top navigation bar includes 'Cases', 'Home > Search Results > Document', and utility icons for 'Print', 'Save', and 'E-mail'. Below the navigation, a breadcrumb trail shows 'Documents on Westlaw UK' and 'Result 4 of 72'. The main content area is titled 'Mosley v News Group Newspapers Ltd' and is categorized under 'Queen's Bench Division' with a date of '24 July 2008'. The interface is divided into three columns: a left sidebar with navigation links, a middle column with section headers, and a right column with detailed case information.

| Navigation Links | Section Headers | Case Information |
|---|-----------------------|--|
| [2008] E.M.L.R. 20 Official Transcript | | Mosley v News Group Newspapers Ltd Queen's Bench Division 24 July 2008 Case Analysis |
| Case Analysis Where Reported Case Digest Related Cases Significant Cases Cited All Cases Cited All Cases Citing Legislation Cited Journal Articles Commentary | Where Reported | [2008] EWHC 1777 (QB); [2008] E.M.L.R. 20 ; (2008) 158 N.L.J. 1112; Times, July 30, 2008; Official Transcript |
| Tabular View Graphical History | Case Digest | Subject: Human rights Other related subjects: Damages Keywords: Breach of confidence; Exemplary damages; Freedom of expression; Publication; Public interest; Right to respect for private and family life Summary: There was a reasonable expectation of privacy in relation to sexual activities, albeit unconventional, carried on between consenting adults on private property. The exposure by a national newspaper of sado-masochistic and some sexual activities and role play between the claimant and other consenting adult participants could not be justified on grounds of public interest and had been in breach of confidence and the claimant's rights under the European Convention on Human Rights 1950 art.8. Abstract: The claimant (M) sought damages from the defendant newspaper publisher (N) for breach of confidence and the unauthorised disclosure of personal information which infringed his rights of privacy as protected by the European Convention on Human Rights 1950 art.8. M was the President of the FIA. One of N's newspapers had published an article under the heading "F1 BOSS HAS SICK NAZI ORGY WITH 5 HOOKERS", accompanied by a number of captioned images, which concerned an event attended by M and five women involving sado-masochistic and some sexual activities and role play. The same information and images were published on N's website, which contained |

Printing

Select the case you want to print. The full text will appear in a new window. Click on the **Print** icon on the right of the screen.

If you want to print several cases at once, tick the cases you require. Click on the **Print** icon.

Select either **Print list of search results** or **Print full text documents**. Select the **Output Option** you require. Click on **Submit**.

You will be shown a print dialogue box. Click on **Print**.

Printing can be collected at the Enquiry Point and costs 10 pence per page.

Emailing

Select the case you want to email and click on the **Email** icon on the right of the screen.

Enter your email address in the **To** box. Add a subject or message as appropriate. Select Word or PDF format and preferred output option. Click on **Send**.

E-mail Options
Home > Cases > Search Results > Document > Delivery Options

To
Separate multiple addresses with semicolons.

Subject

Message
Your document will be attached to this E-mail.

Attachment File Format

- Word / WordPerfect (RTF)
- PDF

Output Options

- Display status indicator
- Include live links
- Highlight search terms
- Include summary page

Search Language

AND

Use **AND** to retrieve search terms within the same document
e.g. narcotics and warrant

OR

Use **OR** to retrieve either search term or both
e.g. drugs or narcotics

“Quotation Marks”

Use quotation marks around your search terms to find an exact phrase
e.g. “fiduciary duty”

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To retrieve words with variant endings, use the root expander !
e.g. employ! will retrieve employ, employee, employer etc.

For more information on search operators select
Terms & Connectors at Home>>Cases

