

CALI Legal Research Lesson Proposal
Wyoming Legal Materials
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CALI Affirmation: The University of Wyoming has been a CALI member law school since 1985.

Topic: 9.50 Wyoming, 9.50.1 Primary resources, 9.50.2 Secondary resources (Wyoming has a sparse number of state- specific secondary source titles, therefore we propose creating one lesson covering both primary and secondary sources.)

Approach and Methodology: CALI Author will be used to create this lesson. The lesson will address the primary and secondary sources for Wyoming legal research in both print and electronic formats and will follow a hypothetical scenario. Visuals will be used including graphics developed by the CALI illustrator, screen captures, photos, and images without copyright, or drawings from CALI's Legal Education Commons bank of images. Questions will be incorporated into each content area, using a variety of question types offered by CALI author.

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- I. Case law
 - a. Slip opinions
 - b. Reporters
 - i. Official (Wyoming Reports, Pacific Reporter)
 - ii. Unofficial
 - iii. Advance sheets
 - c. Digests
 - i. content
 - ii. uses
 - d. Jurisdiction of Wyoming courts
 - e. Electronic Access (include paid and free sites)
 - f. Citing
 - g. Citation format
- II. Statutes
 - a. Content of Wyoming Statutes Annotated
 - b. History
 - c. Updating
 - d. Electronic Access (include paid and free sites)
 - e. Citing
 - f. Citation format
- III. Constitution
 - a. History
 - b. Access (paper and electronic)
 - c. Citation format
- IV. Legislative History
 - a. Session Laws
 - b. Bills
 - c. Access (paper and electronic)
 - d. Library guide
- V. Administrative Rules and Regulations
 - a. Compilation and publication required by statute
 - b. Access (paper and electronic)
 - c. Citing
 - d. Citation format
 - e. Decisions
 - f. Executive orders and proclamations
 - i. paper
 - ii. web information
 - g. Attorney General opinions
- VI. Court Rules
 - a. State courts
 - b. Federal district and circuit courts
 - c. Bankruptcy courts

- d. Citation format
- VII. Municipal ordinances
 - a. Description
 - b. Official and unofficial
 - c. Access (paper and electronic)
 - d. Citing
- VIII. Briefs
- IX. Ethics
 - a. Rules of professional conduct
 - b. Opinions
 - i. Formal
 - ii. Informal
 - iii. Role in research
 - c. Wyoming Bar Association
- X. Secondary Sources
 - a. Directories
 - i. Martindale-Hubbell (and law digest)
 - ii. Wyoming government manual
 - iii. Wyoming bar directory
 - b. Periodicals
 - i. Wyoming Law Review
 - ii. Wyoming Lawyer
 - c. Practice materials
 - i. Wyoming Trial Handbook
 - ii. CLEs
 - iii. Jury instructions
 - d. Wyoming-specific treatises
 - i. Wyoming Local Government
 - ii. Wyoming Constitution
 - e. Other
 - i. Research guides
 - ii. Wyoming state documents: a bibliography of state publications and related materials
 - iii. Blogs, social media

Hypothetical Scenario: Elinore Stewart lives in Wyoming and keeps horses on her partitioned land. Neighbors complained that she had not properly maintained the stable and fence, and the sheriff seized the animals. Elinore meets with you at the student legal services clinic to assist her in getting her animals returned.