

Research Guide MASSACHUSETTS TRIAL COURT PRACTICE

LAWS AND RULES

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Massachusetts Rules of Court: State 4th Floor Reference, 5th Floor States KFM 2929 .A195

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Perlin, Marc G., *The Rules: A Print and Online* 4th Floor Reserve <u>KFM 2929 .A2</u>

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Civil and Criminal Rules for State and Federal Courts.

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CASES

Select Superior Court Cases can be found in the Massachusetts Law Reporter, through Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly, and in the Social Law Substantive Databases (including a separate Business Litigation Session Database). There is no regular reporting system for the opinions of the District/Municipal Courts. Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly reports selectively on recent cases and makes copies of the decisions available for sale.

PAPER:

The Massachusetts Law Reporter (1993-Present) 4th Floor Mass KFM2452 .M37

Reports of the decisions of the Appellate Division of the District Court are available as follows (1936-present):

Massachusetts Appellate Division Reports, 4th Floor Mass and 5thh Floor States KFM 2451.A24

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Appellate Division of the District and Boston 5th Floor States KFM 2451 .A24

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Massachusetts Appellate Decisions, Volumes 1 – 59, 4th Floor Mass and 5th Floor States <u>K</u>FM 2451 .A24

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ONLINE:

<u>Lexis</u>: Appellate Division of the District Court, 1990 –

Superior Court Cases, 1993 –

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DIGEST:

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JURY INSTRUCTIONS

Criminal Model Jury Instructions for Use in the District Court Massachusetts Superior Court Civil Practice Jury Instructions	5 th Floor MCLE 5 th Floor MCLE	KFM2983 .M372 2009 KFM2942.6 .M37 2008
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Civil Commitment	5 th Floor States	KFM 2491.I5 M37 2011
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Trials and Probable Cause Hearings	5 th Floor States	KFM2938 .A32 1981
SELECTED SECONDARY SOURCES		
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Cashore, Amy C., et al., District Court Survival Guide.	5 th Floor States	KFM2930.A75 D57 2011
Chapman, Randy S., et al., District Court Criminal Practice & Judicial Forum: Viewpoints and Practical Tips from the Bench and Bar.	5 th Floor MCLE	KFM 2915 .Z9 D578 2004
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Perlin, Marc G. and John M. Connors, <i>Handbook of Civil Procedure</i> in the Massachusetts District Court.	5 th Floor States	KFM 2930 .P4747 2009
Stearns, Richard G., <i>Massachusetts Criminal Law: A District Court Prosecutor's Guide</i> .	5 th Floor States	KFM 2975 .S73 1995
White, Jane Larmon, <i>Training Manual for Criminal Defense</i> .	5 th Floor MCLE	KFM2975 .W45 2010