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General Search Information

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The cases may be accessed by state, year, series, and topics. You may select no more than 10 items in any one area, and if you do not make a selection all items are included from that section.

Select all search criteria from the list boxes. Use the "Ctrl" key to select multiple items from a box. In the case of States, Series, and Year, OR is the default operand. For example, if you select FL and AZ as the states, any case brief from either Florida OR Arizona will be displayed. In the case of Topics, AND is the default operand. For example, if you select, 65ti (tax increment bonds) and 49 (elections), the case brief must be coded with both topics to be included in the search results. When you select criteria from multiple list boxes, AND is the default operand. For example, if you select FL as the state and 65ti (tax increment bonds), the case brief must be coded with the state of Florida AND with a topic of 65ti (tax increment bonds) to be included in the search results.

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Explanation of Citations

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State Topics Citation Volume (50) and year (01) case was briefed

AR 18 41 42 59 60 SW3d 443 50 01

City of Barling v. Fort Chaffee Redevelopment Authority (SC)

Court of Appeals or Supreme Court

City enters into agreement with other cities and county to create trust to develop former federal military base, portions of which city has annexed. Trust, rather than the city, has authority to control development of the property. However, trust's argument that city's annexations of areas of the former base are invalid fails. (12/6/01) Case date

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