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KeyCiting Cases and Legislation

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You can use KeyCite Canada to note up Cases and Legislation.

KeyCite Flags alert you to history and citing references that may impact the validity of that document.

Flags/Icons

A red flag warns that the case may not be good law, indicating that the decision has been reversed, overruled, or has not been followed within the same jurisdiction or by the Supreme Court of Canada.

A yellow flag warns that the decision has some negative history or treatment, but has not been reversed or overruled. A yellow flag is also displayed if a treatment has been recently added, and has not yet been editorially analyzed.

A blue H indicates that the decision has some history.

A green C indicates that the decision has no history, but there are treating cases or other citing references to the decision. For legislation, a green C indicates that the legislative provision has treating cases or other citing references.

Note: The most negative treatment is displayed next to the flag at the top of the case and includes a link to the underlying document.

To access specific KeyCite Canada information:

- Select the KeyCite flag while viewing a case or legislative provision.
- Select the History and Citing References tabs at the top of the case or legislative provision.

Tip: Select the Powered by KeyCite Canada logo at the top of any case or legislation to view general information about KeyCite Canada.
History
Select the History tab to view the direct history of a case. Direct history is also displayed in graphical view in the right column.

You can restrict direct history by choosing an option from the View drop-down list.

Citing References
Select the Citing References tab to view a list of cases and secondary sources where the case or legislative provision has been cited. The number indicated on the tab specifies the number of documents citing this case.

The Depth of Treatment provides a visual indication on how extensive the discussion about the cited case is.

To change the order in which the citing references are displayed, choose an option from the Sort By drop-down list on the toolbar.

To narrow the list of citing references:
- Enter terms into the Search within results text box in the left column
- Select a document type in the left column, for example, Cases and Decisions. You can further narrow this list by using the filters from the Narrow section in the left pane, for example, Jurisdiction.

KeyCite by Name
To KeyCite a case, statute, regulation or rule by name:
1. Select the Find and KeyCite by Name tab on the Home page.
2. Select a link to access a search template.
3. Complete the template and then select Search.
4. Select the History or Citing References tab at the top of the page.

KeyCite by Citation
To KeyCite by citation, enter the citation into the search box. Example: 16 ccli 4th 47. Next, select the History and/or Citing References tabs at the top of the page. Alternatively, you can enter the KC: command before the citation to go directly to the History or Citing References page for the case. Example: kc: 16 ccli 4th 47

Note: The search box is not sensitive to spacing, capitalization or punctuation used for abbreviations.
Checking Cases in KeyCite
The most negative treatment is displayed at the top of the case and includes a link to the underlying case. Select the KeyCite flag or the History or Citing References tab to view related documents to the case.

Checking Legislation in KeyCite
The green C KeyCite icon displayed at the top of the provision indicates that there are citing references for that provision. Select the Citing References or Annotations tab to view related documents to this provision.
Restrict your Citing References
You can narrow your list of citing reference to only those that are important to you. Select the content category from the View section on the left side. The customized filters appear in the Narrow section below the content categories.

KeyCite Alert
Use KeyCite Alert to monitor the case or statutory provision you are KeyCiting. Select **Create KeyCite Alert Entry** (〇) and follow the instructions on the screen.

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