Environmental law is the field of law that deals with the maintenance and protection of the natural environment, including measures to prevent pollution, conserve natural resources, and protect endangered species, as well as legislation to assign liability and remedy environmentally harmful incidents. This quick reference guide highlights the environmental law resources on Westlaw and shows you how to retrieve relevant documents.

**Environmental Law**

Environmental law practice typically involves issues such as those relating to land use restrictions; pollution; and disposal of radioactive, solid, and toxic wastes. Since the late 1960s, environmental law has grown quickly and become vastly more complex.

**Environmental law resources on Westlaw**

Westlaw includes an extensive collection of environmental law materials, including primary law, secondary sources, and federal briefs. News and business information databases cover developments in environmental issues and science. In each category listed below, a few key databases are highlighted. These databases and other environmental law–related resources can be accessed at the tabbed Environmental Practitioner page, shown on the following page.

Remember that the easiest way to retrieve a specific document when you know the citation is to use the Find service. Click Find&Print at the top of any page to access the Find service.

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Statutes and regulations

Administrative materials
Decisions by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and other agencies interpret laws and regulations and are often a component of environmental law research. EPA decisions are contained in the Federal Environmental Law–EPA Decisions database (FENV-EPA), as well as in a variety of other databases containing decisions, memoranda, and releases.

Case law
Court decisions that construe and review environmental laws, regulations, and agency decisions are another important source of information when you research environmental law. The Federal Environmental Law–Cases database (FENV-CS) includes cases from the federal courts that relate to environmental protection and conservation.

Secondary sources
The Environmental Law–Law Reviews, Texts, and Bar Journals database (ENV-TP) includes analytical texts, law reviews, practice materials, and legal periodicals that discuss environmental protection and conservation.

Forms and checklists
The Drafting Tools: Multistate Environmental Forms and Checklists database (ENVFORM-ALL) contains forms and checklists that are helpful in the practice of environmental law. To retrieve state-specific forms and checklists, click a link, when available, in the Forms, Checklists, and Clauses section of the Environmental Practitioner page.

To retrieve articles that discuss recent developments in environmental law, click a link under Andrews Litigation Reporters: Current Awareness.

Click View Environmental Directory to view a complete list of environmental databases.