# Moot Court Checklist

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## Primary Sources

Primary sources are law generated by a governmental body, e.g. statutes (generated by legislature) or cases (generated by judiciary). Primary sources are binding.

## Secondary Sources

Secondary sources are resources which may be written by lawyers or judges or other legal professionals which comment on the law, categorise the law or otherwise interpret the primary sources. Secondary sources are persuasive authority.

### Law Reports:
- South African Appellate Division Reports (1910 to date)
- South African Criminal Law Reports, The (1990 to date)
- South African Criminal Law and Procedure - Volume III: Statutory Offences
- South African Labour Law
- South African Law Reports, The (1947 to date)

### Journals:
- Journals Collection, Juta's
  - Acta Judicia (2000 to date)
  - Africa Journal of Comparative Constitutional Law
  - Africa Nazarene University Law Journal
  - African Yearbook on International Humanitarian Law
  - Comparative and International Law Journal of Southern Africa, The
  - Constitutional Court Review
  - Corporate Report, The: Facilitating Business in South Africa
  - Journal of Comparative Law in Africa
  - Journal of Corporate and Commercial Law and Practice, The
  - KwaZulu-Natal Journal of Ocean Law and Governance in Africa
  - Juta's Business Law (2000 to 2008)
  - Mercantile Law Journal (2000 to date)
  - SADC Law Journal, The
  - South African Journal on Criminal Justice (2000 to date)
  - South African Journal of Environmental Law and Policy, The
  - South African Yearbook of International Law
  - Stellenbosch Law Review (2000 to date)
  - Tydskrif vir die Suid-Afrikaanse Reg / Journal of South African Law (2000 to date)

### Advanced Search

Search for a specific document type or use keywords in Advanced Search. In Advance Search you can limit your search further by ticking the boxes displayed in the table of content.
- Commentary on the Childrens Act
- Commentary on the Companies Act of 2008
- Commentary on the Companies Act (Blackman)
- Commentary on the Consumer Protection Act
- Commentary on the Criminal Procedure Act (Du Toit)
Use the law report of the correct court and see which one is the highest court!

Click on “Link to Case Annotations” to get related case law.

Search for a specific document type or use keywords in Advanced Search. In Advanced Search you can limit your search further by ticking the boxes displayed in the table of content.

Use keywords to search for the relevant information.
More sources such as journals can be found in the Constitutional section of Juta. It also provides commentary.
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To search for Law reports use the focus search. You can limit your search to a specific law report collection.

Use the Advanced Search option to find relevant articles. Tick the journal box to limit it within journals or the specific journal title.

These are “quick links” to Legislation, case law and other information relevant to the specific topic.
You can use keywords when searching for law reports.

In your search result the following will appear next to the cases.

Your search can be limited by ticking the box next to the collection in the Table of Content.

Remember to untick the box or clear if you want to search for a different topic.
Most up to date legislation use: Sabinet Legal

Under the Private Law section there are Children’s Rights and more!

When using legislation LexisNexis will give cases that deals with a specific section of that Act

LAWSA: a legal encyclopaedia

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You can also search Acts in force or the chronological list.

Use keywords or the title or number of the Act. Make sure that the spelling is correct.

Click here for the Act, amendments and regulations.

Sabinet Legal has the most updated and relevant legislation available.
### Database

#### Journals:

- **A-Z Publications**
- **Collections**
- **A-Z index of journals**
- **Accredited journals**

#### Advanced Search

Enter one or more search criteria below. Boolean AND, OR, and NOT are supported. Make use of the "+" button to add Boolean fields to your search. Use quotation marks (" ") to find an exact phrase (e.g., "baryon decay"). Use asterisks to match partial words in fields (e.g., enviro). For proximity searching, use the operators of the tilde (\~) and a number to specify the number of words.

- **Enter Keywords/Phrases**
- **AND:**

#### Source

By selecting more a brief excerpt will be shown of that article.

Other limitations such as date and collection are available.

Once a Journal has been selected, you can browse through it.

Search for a particular Topic

- **Exclude full text?**

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*SAePublications*
Treaties and Conventions

African Court on Human and Peoples’ Rights
African Law Library
OAU/AU Treaties, Conventions, Protocols & Charters
SAFLII
Case law, legislation and open access law journals for South Africa. Continuously updated. SAFLII also hosts legal materials from other countries in the Southern African region.
UN Declarations and Conventions
UNICEF
WORLDLII
Legal Information Institute that contains databases of case-law, legislation, treaties, law reform reports, law journals for most countries in the world.

African Union
OAU/AU Treaties, Conventions, Protocols & Charters

African Court on Human and Peoples’ Rights
African Charter on Human and Peoples’ Rights
Protocol on the African Charter on Human and Peoples’ Rights

UNITED NATIONS

UN Databases
UN Treaty Collection Declarations and Conventions Contained in General Assembly Resolutions
Although UJoogle refers to various journals, it DOES NOT cover the Law databases. Rather use SAePublications, Jutastat, LexisNexis, etc.
Law - LLB and other law degrees (1st Year Support): Referencing and Citation

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UJ Law Faculty Referencing Style

UJ Law Faculty uses the TSAR Guidelines as a referencing style.

Referencing and Citation

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TSAR Guideline Brief

- TSAR Guidelines with examples 2015
- TSAR Style - Dr van Staden
Search Techniques

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UJ Libguides
- Information Literacy Modules for Undergraduates
- Searching: find your way

Making the best of searching: general tips

Search techniques

Search techniques are ways of using search terms in finding required information from search tools, such as search engines (Google), the library catalogue and online databases.

To achieve good search results, it is necessary to use search techniques. The following are some of the most common search techniques that are applicable to various searching tools.

- Boolean Logic
- Parenthesis
- Phrase searching
- Truncation
- Wildcards
- Field searching

Tutorials

Links to useful information literacy tutorials from other universities
- American University Library (Washington DC) Information Literacy Tutorials
Secondary Sources (Persuasive authority)

- Books, eBooks and journals (hardcopy)
  - UJoogle (Ulink)
    - Remember the Zatrau code
- Journals (e-format)
  - SAePublications
  - Jutastat
    - Jutastat Online
  - HeinOnline
- Loose-leaf publications
  - LexisNexis

Commentary on the Childrens Act
- Bill of Rights Compendium
Reference Sources:

- Hardcopy
  - UJoogle
  - JutaStat
- Electronic
  - LexisNexis
  - Trilingual Legal Dictionary
    - Reference Works, Indexes, Dictionaries and Diaries contain:
      - Law of South Africa (LAWSA)
      - Dictionary of legal words and phrases