13.2 Bills and Resolutions

(a) Unenacted federal bills and resolutions. When citing federal bills, include the name of the bill (if relevant), the abbreviated name of the house, the number of the bill, the number of the Congress, the section (if any), and the year of publication:


A parenthetical indicating the date and stage of the bill may be provided in order to distinguish among multiple versions of the same bill in the same Congress. Subcommittee and committee names may be abbreviated according to tables T6, T9, and T10:

- S. 593, 101st Cong. § 2 (as passed by Senate, May 31, 1989).
- S. 593, 101st Cong. § 2 (as reported by S. Comm. on the Judiciary, May 12, 1989).

Cite resolutions analogously, using the following abbreviations:

- House Resolution
- Senate Resolution
- House Concurrent Resolution
- Senate Concurrent Resolution
- House Joint Resolution
- Senate Joint Resolution
- Senate Executive Resolution

Thus:


A parallel citation to a published committee hearing, a legislative report, or the Congressional Record may also be provided if it would assist the reader in locating the bill (rules 13.3, 13.4, and 13.5).

(b) Enacted federal bills and resolutions. Enacted bills and joint resolutions are statutes (rule 12). They are cited as statutes except when used to document legislative history, in which case they are cited as unenacted bills.


A parallel citation to the Congressional Record (for simple resolutions) or to the Statutes at Large (for concurrent resolutions) may be provided if it would assist the reader in locating the enacted resolution. Because only enacted resolutions are printed in the Statutes at Large ("Stat."), a parenthetical noting enactment is not necessary when a parallel citation to Stat. is given:


(c) State bills and resolutions. When citing state bills and resolutions, include the name of the legislative body, abbreviated according to tables T6, T9, and T10, the number of the bill or resolution, the number of the legislative body (or, if not numbered, the year of the body), and the number or designation of the legislative session. Parenthetically indicate the name of the state, abbreviated according to table T10, and the year of enactment (for an enacted bill or resolution) or the year of publication (for an unenacted bill or resolution).


A parallel citation to state session laws may be provided if it would assist the reader in locating an enacted resolution.


Hearings

(a) Federal committee hearings. When citing federal committee hearings, always include the entire subject matter title as it appears on the cover, the bill number (if any), the subcommittee name (if any), the committee name, the number of the Congress, the page number of the particular material being cited (if any), and the year of publication. Subcommittee and committee names may be abbreviated according to tables T6, T9, and T10. Cite as follows:


### T6 CASE NAMES AND INSTITUTIONAL AUTHORS IN CITATIONS

Abbreviate case names in citations by abbreviating any word listed below (rule 10.2.2). It is permissible to abbreviate other words of eight letters or more if substantial space is thereby saved and the result is unambiguous in context. (Thus, it would be permissible to abbreviate "Encyclopedia Britannica" to "Encyc. Britannica," "Attorney" to "Att'y," or "Petroleum" to "Petrol." Unless otherwise indicated, plurals are formed by adding the letter "s." Abbreviate any word in the possessive form by adding an apostrophe if the word is plural and an apostrophe with the letter "s" if the word is singular (Thus, abbreviate "Employees'" to "Emp.'s," and "Employee's" to "Emp.'s").

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T7 COURT NAMES

The following alphabetical list provides abbreviations for court names to be used in citing cases according to rule 10.4. If the abbreviation for the full name of the court is not listed below, a composite abbreviation may be assembled using the words listed in this table.

- Administrative Court
- Admiralty [Court, Division]
- Aldermen's Court
- Appeals Court
- Appellate Court
- Appellate Department
- Appellate Division
- Armed Services Board of Contract Appeals
- Bankruptcy Appellate Panel
- Bankruptcy [Court, Judge]
- Board of Contract Appeals
- Board of Immigration Appeals
- Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences
- Board of Tax Appeals
- Borough Court
- Central District
- Chancery [Court, Division]
- Children's Court
- Circuit Court (old federal)
- Circuit Court (state)
- Circuit Court of Appeals (federal)
- Circuit Court of Appeals (state)
- City Court
- Civil Appeals
- Civil Court of Record
T9 LEGISLATIVE DOCUMENTS

This table gives suggested abbreviations for citation of the words most commonly found in legislative documents. In some cases, it indicates that a word should not be abbreviated. Words of more than six letters not appearing on the list may also be abbreviated if the abbreviation selected is unambiguous. Omit all articles and prepositions from any abbreviated title if the document can be identified unambiguously without them.

Annals
Ann.
Assemb.
B.
Comm.
Con.
Conf.
Cong.
Deb.
T10 GEOGRAPHICAL TERMS

The following list provides abbreviations for geographical locations for use in case citations (rules 10.2.2 and 10.4), names of institutional authors (rule 15.1(c)), periodical abbreviations (rule 16 and table T13), foreign materials (rule 20.1), and treaty citations (rule 21.4.2).

**T10.1 U.S. States, Cities, and Territories**

**States**

- Alabama
  - Ala.
- Alaska
  - Alaska
- Arizona
  - Ariz.
- Arkansas
  - Ark.
- California
  - Cal.
- Colorado
  - Colo.
- Connecticut
  - Conn.
- Delaware
  - Del.
- Florida
  - Fla.
- Georgia
  - Ga.
- Hawaii
  - Haw.
- Idaho
  - Idaho
- Illinois
  - Ill.
- Indiana
  - Ind.
- Iowa
  - Iowa
- Kansas
  - Kan.
- Kentucky
  - Ky.
- Louisiana
  - La.
- Maine
  - Me.
- Maryland
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- Massachusetts
  - Mass.
- Michigan
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- Minnesota
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- Mississippi
  - Miss.
- Missouri
  - Mo.
- Montana
  - Mont.
- Nebraska
  - Neb.
- Nevada
  - Nev.
- New Hampshire
  - N.H.
- New Jersey
  - N.J.
- New Mexico
  - N.M.
- New York
  - N.Y.
- North Carolina
  - N.C.
- North Dakota
  - N.D.
- Ohio
  - Ohio
- Oklahoma
  - Okla.
- Oregon
  - Or.
- Pennsylvania
  - Pa.
- Rhode Island
  - R.I.
- South Carolina
  - S.C.
- South Dakota
  - S.D.
- Tennessee
  - Tenn.
- Texas
  - Tex.
- Utah
  - Utah
- Vermont
  - Vt.
- Virginia
  - Va.
- Washington
  - Wash.
- West Virginia
  - W. Va.
- Wisconsin
  - Wis.
- Wyoming
  - Wyo.

**Cities**

Abbreviations for city names may also be composed from state name abbreviations above. For example, “Oklahoma City” should be shortened to “Okla. City.”

- Baltimore
  - Balt.
- Boston
  - Bos.
- Chicago
  - Chi.
- Dallas
  - Dall.
- District of Columbia
  - D.C.
- Houston
  - Hous.
- Los Angeles
  - L.A.
- New York
  - N.Y.C.
- Philadelphia
  - Phila.
- Phoenix
  - Phx.
- San Francisco
  - S.F.

**Territories**

- American Samoa
  - Am. Sam.
- Guam
  - Guam
- Northern Mariana Islands
  - N. Mar. I.
- Puerto Rico
  - P.R.
- Virgin Islands
  - V.I.

**T10.2 Australian States and Canadian Provinces and Territories**

**Australia**

- Australian Capital Territory
- New South Wales
  - N.S.W.