

LEGAL FORMS IN NEVADA

Currently the State of Nevada has not established standardized court forms. However, several Nevada and Clark County Courts have created a variety of forms that are available online. It is always wise to check the court in which the documents will be filed for forms and information. District, Justice, and Municipal Court forms may be accessed online through the Clark County website at www.accessclarkcounty.com.

The United States District Court-District of Nevada forms and local rules can be located at www.nvd.uscourts.gov.

A more comprehensive list of sites for forms in Nevada can be found at <http://lawlibrary.nvsupremecourt.us/forms/forms.php>.

If you do not find a form suitable for your needs on the Internet, you may have to create a form using a sample, an outline or instructions from a variety of resources. The library staff can recommend resources that may be useful, but cannot choose or comment on forms, samples, or information.

Comprehensive Forms Index – This index has been prepared by the Clark County Law Library to provide a quick reference to forms and samples of forms available on the Clark County website, in the Nevada Association of Legal Secretaries (NALS), and our Forms Bank. If you do not locate the form you need in this index, the Law Library staff will assist you in locating other sources that may be of better assistance to you.

Nevada Association of Legal Secretaries Handbook of Legal Forms (NALS) – This set contains samples of forms that are frequently used in the Nevada Courts. These forms are samples that you will need to re-type using the Nevada Court Styling format. These forms are general in nature and you may have to adjust the language to fit your particular needs.

Court Styling Packet – Court Styling refers to the format in which documents in the Nevada Courts should be typed. These packets contain a breakdown of the information that is commonly used in Nevada Courts.

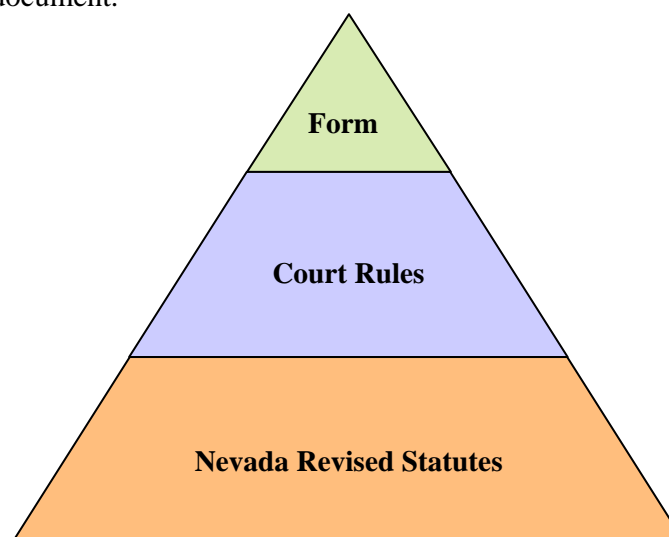
Document Preparation Pamphlet – This pamphlet gives detailed information on how to prepare a document. It has been prepared by the Clark County Clerk and is available on their website at www.clarkcountycourts.us/clerk/legal-forms/DOCPREPGUIDE10-05.pdf

Nevada Civil Practice Manual – The Nevada Civil Practice Manual covers a variety of civil practice issues and may contain explanations and sample forms for your particular issue.

Rules of Court – provides court rules of procedure for the various Nevada Court jurisdictions. The Rules of Court govern a variety of issues, such as the layout of court forms, how days are calculated and appellate procedure.

*Note: Whether you are a Lawyer, or are representing yourself in court, Judges will expect you to know and follow all court rules.

Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) – are the state laws for Nevada. The NRS contains all Statutes of Laws of Nevada of a General, Public and Permanent Nature. The NRS is the primary source of law for the state of Nevada. Some state laws may include an outline or specify the information to be included in your document.



Represent Yourself in Court: How to Prepare & Try a Winning Case by Paul Bergman & Sara J. Berman-Barrett; edited by Lisa Guerin. 4th ed. Berkeley, CA: NOLO, 2003. – This book is specifically written for people who are not attorneys and find themselves involved in legal matters. It can offer general information regarding the court process and legal procedures.

Black's Legal Dictionary – will provide definitions for legal terms commonly used in court documents.

Westlaw All Forms Library – this database provides a link to forms and sample language available in a variety of resources published by West.

American Jurisprudence Pleading and Practice Forms - an encyclopedia of legal language that may be used to create legal documents. The following are examples of legal language you may find:

- Relocation of Child from State
- Petition for Title of an Abandoned Vehicle
- Opposition to the Motion of an Adverse Party

Legal terms may be defined or discussed within the following resources:

- Nevada Revised Statutes
- Black's Law Dictionary
- American Jurisprudence Encyclopedia
- Corpus Juris Secundum Encyclopedia
- Words and Phrases

The Clark County Law Library staff cannot define legal terms, but can assist you in using the above resources to define the following legal terms you may encounter, and should familiarize yourself with, in Nevada Courts.

Answer	Briefs	Complaint
Motion	Order	Petition
Pleadings	Summons	