

## EXPERT WITNESSES

# Locating an Expert Witness

### 1. Online Directories

Expert directories list individuals available for consultation and testimony. Directories provide varying amounts of information about the experts, but often include areas of expertise, qualifications, and contact information. Some online directories include:

**ALM Experts** [www.almexperts.com](http://www.almexperts.com)

This online directory contains background and contact information for experts nationwide. The directory is organized by topic, and offers keyword searching capabilities.

**Expert4Law** [www.expert4law.org/](http://www.expert4law.org/)

The Los Angeles County Bar Association maintains this online directory of experts. Users may browse experts by specialty, or search using keywords.

**Experts.com** [www.experts.com/](http://www.experts.com/)

This website provides free information about experts in a variety of fields, including contact information, brief biographies, and links to the experts' websites.

**ExpertPages** [www.expertpages.com](http://www.expertpages.com)

This online directory of experts provides extensive information to locate and use experts in investigations, trial preparation, testimony and appeals.

**Expert Witness Network** [www.witness.net/](http://www.witness.net/)

This free service helps locate legal experts with particular expertise or experience.

**JurisPro Expert Witness Directory** [www.jurispro.com/](http://www.jurispro.com/)

This directory provides information about experts' backgrounds and qualifications, copies of their resumes, and links to their articles and other written materials.

**National Directory of Expert Witnesses** [www.National-Experts.com](http://www.National-Experts.com)

This expert directory includes nationwide expert listings in technical, scientific and medical fields. Users may search expert listings by subject, name, company and location.

**Northern California Register of Experts and Consultants** [www.sfbar.org/register/](http://www.sfbar.org/register/)

This online directory from the San Francisco Bar Association includes the profiles of expert witnesses and consultants in a variety of categories.

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## 2. Print Directories

The Law Library keeps several expert directories at the reference desk for use in the library.

**ALM Experts: National Medical Directory** [KF 195 .E96 N39](#)

Electronic Access: [www.almexperts.com](http://www.almexperts.com)

**California Directory of Attorneys** [KF 192 .C3 C325](#)

Electronic Access: [www.callawyer.com/lrc-field/expert-witnesses](http://www.callawyer.com/lrc-field/expert-witnesses)

**Forensic Expert Witness Association Directory** [KF 195 .E96 F58](#)

Electronic Access: [www.forensic.org/browse-category.php](http://www.forensic.org/browse-category.php)

**Legal Expert Pages** [KF 195 .E96 L4](#)

Electronic Access: [www.almexperts.com](http://www.almexperts.com)

**Martindale-Hubbell Directory of Experts & Legal Services** [KFC 190 .M29](#)

**Sacramento County Bar Association Legal Directory** [KF 193 .S33](#)

## 3. Universities and Research Organization Directories

Many universities, think tanks, and other organizations publish online directories of their experts. These lists are typically intended for use by journalists rather than by litigants looking for expert witnesses. However, these types of resources may provide you with names of experts in hard-to-find specialties. California universities maintaining expert lists online include:

**California State University, Sacramento** [paweb.csus.edu](http://paweb.csus.edu)

**Santa Clara University** [www.scu.edu/news-and-events/faculty-experts/](http://www.scu.edu/news-and-events/faculty-experts/)

**Stanford University** [experts.stanford.edu/](http://experts.stanford.edu/)

**University of California, Berkeley** [vcresearch.berkeley.edu/faculty-expertise](http://vcresearch.berkeley.edu/faculty-expertise)

**University of California, Los Angeles** [www.tinyurl.com/7xab5be](http://www.tinyurl.com/7xab5be)

**University of San Diego** [www.sandiego.edu/about/news\\_center/experts/](http://www.sandiego.edu/about/news_center/experts/)

**University of Southern California** [pressroom.usc.edu/](http://pressroom.usc.edu/)

**University of the Pacific** [www.tinyurl.com/bdygejt](http://www.tinyurl.com/bdygejt)

A list of links to additional university and think tank expert directories is available at:

**Internet Sites for Journalists** [www.ibiblio.org/slanews/internet/experts.htm](http://www.ibiblio.org/slanews/internet/experts.htm)

## 4. Referral Services

Referral services maintain lists of qualified experts in a variety of specialties. These services usually charge a fee for matching experts with litigants. Some examples include:

**American Medical Forensic Specialists (AMFS)** [www.amfs.com/](http://www.amfs.com/)

AMFS matches cases with medical experts from every medical specialty.

**Expert Research on-Demand** <https://idex.lexisnexis.com>

Lexis performs customized searches of their databases to find appropriate experts for your case. You also can use this service to obtain copies of an expert's prior testimony, published work, disciplinary action, and other information.

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**ForensisGroup** [www.forensisgroup.com](http://www.forensisgroup.com)

ForensisGroup assists clients in finding expert witnesses in technical, medical, construction, engineering and other scientific disciplines.

**MedQuest** [www.medquestltd.com](http://www.medquestltd.com)

MedQuest provides referrals to medical experts throughout the country.

**Technical Advisory Service for Attorneys (TASA)** [www.tasanet.com/](http://www.tasanet.com/)

TASA provides referrals to expert witnesses in a variety of technical and medical fields.

**Thomson Reuters Expert Witness Service** [www.trexpertwitness.com/litigators/](http://www.trexpertwitness.com/litigators/)

Thomson Reuters searches its network experts to find the best matches for your needs.

## 5. Jury Verdicts and Settlements

Experts' names often appear in reported decisions, jury verdicts, and settlements. Many publishers provide easy-to-use tables of experts. These tables provide only names and areas of expertise. For additional information about the expert, try the directories listed above. For more detailed information on finding verdicts and settlements see the Legal Research Guide on Locating Jury Verdicts and Settlements on our website at [www.saclaw.org/jury-verdicts-guide](http://www.saclaw.org/jury-verdicts-guide).

**MoreLaw.com** [www.morelaw.com](http://www.morelaw.com)

This is a free online service that allows users to search for verdicts and settlements by parties, attorneys, case description, verdict, or experts.

**O'Brien's Evaluator** [KFC 57 .E93](#)

Each annual volume of this reporter contains tables of medical and technical experts, with references to the cases in which they testified.

**Trials Digest** [KFC 57 .A75T7](#)

This publication indexes experts by name and area of expertise. These tables appear in each weekly issue of Trials Digest and are compiled to create an annual index.

**VerdictSearch California Reporter** [KFC 57 .J88](#)

Each week's volume contains a list of experts. These lists are compiled in the semi-annual indexes, which provide tables of experts by name and by area of expertise.

**WestlawNext**

The Law Library's *WestlawNext* subscription makes available a number of databases of verdict awards and settlements.

**Electronic Access:** On the Law Library's computers, using *WestlawNext*.

## 6. Professional Organizations and Associations

Many experts will belong to a professional organization in their field of expertise. The organization may be able to refer you to an expert. To find a professional organization in your desired expert's field, try some of these resources:

**Find Professional Associations - CareerOneStop**

[www.careeronestop.org/businesscenter/professionalassociations/find-professional-associations.aspx](http://www.careeronestop.org/businesscenter/professionalassociations/find-professional-associations.aspx)

Keyword search for national professional associations by occupation or industry served.

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**Professional Organizations - HealthFinder.gov**

[healthfinder.gov/FindServices/SearchOrgType.aspx?OrgTypeID=14](http://healthfinder.gov/FindServices/SearchOrgType.aspx?OrgTypeID=14)

Provides an alphabetical list of health care and medicine-related professional associations.

**AmJur Trials** [KF 8915 .A44](#) (Compact)

Chapters on specific case types include information on locating expert witnesses, including lists of professional organizations.

**Electronic Access:** On the Law Library's computers, using *WestlawNext*.

**California Expert Witness Guide** [KFC 1042 .K45](#)

Chapter 7 of this book includes a directory of professional organizations in commonly litigated fields.

**Electronic Access:** On the Law Library's computers, using *OnLaw*.

## 7. Articles

Many experts write articles and books in their areas of expertise. Finding written works on your topic may lead you to experts. You may also find articles in newspapers or popular magazines that refer to experts in a particular field. To find books and articles, try these resources:

**Google Scholar** [www.scholar.google.com/](http://www.scholar.google.com/)

Google Scholar provides keyword-searchable access to scholarly articles and professional publications across a broad range of disciplines.

**HeinOnline**

HeinOnline includes current and historical law review articles. You may find articles on topics related to your case that provide experts' names.

**Electronic Access:** On the Law Library's computers, using *HeinOnline*.

**WestlawNext**

WestlawNext provides access to texts, treatises, and practice aids on a variety of legal topics, as well as articles from law reviews, legal periodicals, and many other publications.

**Electronic Access:** On the Law Library's computers, using *WestlawNext*.

**Lexis Advance**

Lexis Advance provides access to texts, treatises, and practice aids on a variety of legal topics, as well as articles from law reviews, legal periodicals, and many other publications.

**Electronic Access:** On the Law Library's computers, using *Lexis Advance*

Many professional and governmental organizations provide access to online databases of articles and reports. Some examples include:

**Education Resource Information Center (ERIC)** [www.eric.ed.gov/](http://www.eric.ed.gov/)

ERIC is a database of articles, studies, and other resources on education-related topics.

**National Criminal Justice Reference Service** [www.ncjrs.gov/](http://www.ncjrs.gov/)

This service provides access to articles and reports on topics in Criminal Justice and Law Enforcement.

**National Library of Medicine/National Institutes of Health - MEDLINE/PubMed**

[www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed](http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed)

MEDLINE provides access to articles and reports on a variety of medical topics.

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**National Transportation Library** [www.ntl.bts.gov/](http://www.ntl.bts.gov/)

The National Transportation Library indexes books, technical reports, conference proceedings, journal articles and ongoing research in the field of transportation.

## 8. For More Information

**Finding and Researching Experts and Their Testimony**

[www.expertwitnesswhitepaper.com](http://www.expertwitnesswhitepaper.com)

**A Primer on When to Use Expert Witnesses and How to Find Them**

[www.bna.com/a-primer-on-when-to-use-expert-witnesses-and-how-to-find-them](http://www.bna.com/a-primer-on-when-to-use-expert-witnesses-and-how-to-find-them)

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