

RESEARCH GUIDE

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CALI

WHAT IS CALI?

CALI, the Center for Computer-Assisted Legal Instruction, publishes over 300 computer-based tutorials in 28 legal subject areas. Written by law faculty and law librarians, these interactive lessons use a variety of methods for teaching doctrine, analysis and critical thinking skills. The lessons are regularly reviewed and revised, and can be helpful in testing your understanding of an area of law.

Access to CALI Lessons is limited to members of the Widener University Law School community. The first time you log on as a user, you will need to register. You will need the *authorization code* for your campus which may be obtained by contacting someone at the reference or circulation desk. The codes for Delaware and Harrisburg are different. When registering, you must *select your own password*, which you will use each time you log on.

ACCESSING CALI LESSONS

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CALI CD's are made available to all incoming students. Continuing students who want an updated CD (they are updated each fall for the school year), may purchase one from CALI or check with a reference librarian to see if there are any extra ones available. Most people, however, find it easiest to access CALI online through its website.

ACCESS IN THE LIBRARY AND/OR COMPUTER LAB

To access CALI from computers in the Legal Information Center, including those in the Computer Training Room and from computers in the Computer Lab, simply click on the Windows "Start" button, scroll up to "Programs," then "CALI" and "CALI Lessons."

If you are in the Legal Information Center using your laptop on the wireless network, you will need to go through the CALI website for access, unless you have installed CALI from the CD on your computer.

ACCESS CALI LESSONS AT-HOME OR OFF-CAMPUS

CALI is available over the Internet at **www.cali.org.** Here you must register as explained earlier. If you already have registered, simply **log in** on this first page with your email address and the password you created. After logging in, you will receive an individualized welcome from CALI.

Click on "Lessons" and select the subject area in which you are interested. Once in a subject area, you will be able to choose from among the many lesson topics described. Decide on a lesson and click on the version you want to use. If you need to download a lesson, the final step will provide you with detailed download and installation instructions. Please read the instructions carefully.

TECHNICAL PROBLEMS?

The 2003-04 CALI CD is compatible with both the PC and the Mac. Contact CALI's technical support (see telephone number below) if you have any problems. The lessons are available in several formats if you want to download one from the CALI website. Check here to see which ones will work on your system: http://lessons.cali.org/catalogos.html.

QUESTIONS?

For answers to any questions that may arise, consult:

- The online CALI FAQ at http://lessons.cali.org/faq.html
- A Reference Librarian at the Legal Information Center Reference Desk
 - or: Call 302-477-2114 (Wilmington)
 - Call 717-541-3934 (Harrisburg)
 - "Ask a Librarian" click on icon at www.law.widener.edu/Law-Library
- For technical help, contact CALI at 612-627-4912 or calitech@cali.org.