

Duke University Circuit Court Appeals Project
LexisNexis Data Review (Data Received March 13, 2019)

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The following initial data integrity checks were made with the data supplied to Duke by LexisNexis on March 13, 2019. Emphasis is on columnar consistency of format and existence of reference records for all IDs appearing in referring records. Items in **red** require attention.

- Tested for duplicate CaseHeader LNI: none found
- Tested for duplicate LNI, CaseType: none found
- **Is the CaseHeader field labeled “Date” the decision date?**
- **Missing dates in CaseHeader:** 29 records (no decision rendered?)

- **The following cases are missing a court identifier:**

3S4X-BYM0-001B-K3HW-00000-00
5RK7-J161-DYFH-X0W8-00000-00
5NMN-RCM1-DYTB-X1V5-00000-00
5NMN-RDC1-JCB9-61DX-00000-00
3S4W-WSK0-0039-M0TG-00000-00
5NMN-RGW1-DYTB-X1VV-00000-00
5NMN-RCY1-DYTB-X1VF-00000-00
5NYK-PXX1-DYTB-X4XM-00000-00
5NMN-RDF1-JCB9-61F0-00000-00
5NMN-RCT1-DYTB-X1V9-00000-00
5RJ8-3DP1-F04K-S2GK-00000-00
3S12-VYB0-0038-X3BN-00000-00
5NMN-RDR1-JCB9-61F4-00000-00
5NYK-PY01-DYTB-X4XR-00000-00
3S4X-6M00-008H-V0GV-00000-00
5NMN-RDN1-JCB9-61F1-00000-00
5NMN-RJ41-JCB9-61GJ-00000-00
3S4X-5JR0-003B-50T8-00000-00
5NMN-RFF1-DYTB-X1VK-00000-00
5NMN-RD71-JCB9-61DG-00000-00
3RV5-KSB0-003B-50M4-00000-00
3S4X-0650-0039-W4RT-00000-00
5NMN-RH41-JCB9-61G4-00000-00
3S4W-T920-0039-M08N-00000-00
5NMN-RD91-JCB9-61DP-00000-00
3S4X-C0G0-001T-D46N-00000-00
5NMN-RCT1-DYTB-X1VC-00000-00
5NMN-RJ11-JCB9-61GD-00000-00
3S4X-1PS0-001B-K1XV-00000-00
5NMN-RD81-JCB9-61DM-00000-00
5NRR-WCV1-F04K-W0B6-00000-00

4F7Y-YXX0-TVRV-K31B-00000-00
3RHM-PKM0-0038-X3K4-00000-00
4KND-FMG0-TVRV-K3DG-00000-00
5NYK-PXX1-DYTB-X4XP-00000-00
4G24-T8Y0-TVRV-K2NF-00000-00
3S4X-6M00-008H-V0GW-00000-00
3S4X-CSF0-003B-5370-00000-00
3RV5-KP00-008H-V07P-00000-00
5NYK-PX51-DYTB-X4WP-00000-00
5NMN-RH11-JCB9-61FX-00000-00

- 212,937 cases have no panel
- The following CaseHeader records have opinion text in the OpinionBy field:
3T3Y-TS60-0038-X1MJ-00000-00: rec 31214 of part01 file
3T8C-CSW0-0038-X3XN-00000-00: rec 19963 of Part08 file
- The following judge records are missing a name:
urn:entity:jud-500000312
urn:entity:jud-500000557
urn:entity:jud-500000563
urn:entity:jud-500000660
urn:entity:jud-500000860
urn:entity:jud-500000946
urn:entity:jud-500002100
urn:entity:jud-500002286
urn:entity:jud-500002313
urn:entity:jud-500002359
urn:entity:jud-500002376
urn:entity:jud-500002486
urn:entity:jud-500002575
urn:entity:jud-500002595
urn:entity:jud-500002615
urn:entity:jud-500002937
urn:entity:jud-500003017
- Tested for judges appearing in Panel that do not appear in the supplied list of judges: none found
- Duplicate Shepard treatment letters (with different treatment phrases): “Acq” and “Noacq” (each are repeated once)
- Several Shepard’s treatment records contained the text “Obsolete” in the TreatmentPhrase field. They were omitted.
- Some normalized cites in the LNI-LNI citation records contain commas. This column should be quoted in the source file.
- The following Shepard’s treatment letters appeared in LNI-LNI Citation records, but did not appear in the Shepard’s treatment file (affected citations have been omitted, quantities appear after each code):
&qab, 4
&qabp, 33
*c, 15
*d, 23
*e, 27

*f, 47
*o, 24
*q, 31
ab, 128
abp, 366
cf, 30
Ltd, 4
mi, 2
pd, 27
pg, 12
qab, 1699
qabp, 2019
qr, 681
qv, 514
qw, 37

- 215,546 cases do not appear in as either a citing or cited case
- Tested for duplicate citations (identical LNI-LNI, norm cite, and Shepard's treatment): none found
- 638,060 cases have no legal topics
- Each supplied case has an identical number of legal and internal topics. Are both of these needed?
- Legal and internal topic codes were supplied for each case, but the corresponding definitions were not supplied