

THE 2026 SUMMER RESEARCH CHALLENGE IS ON!



This summer, let us work with you to improve your research skills using the tools you'll need in practice.

Each session will challenge you to tackle a concrete research problem and efficiently identify the law bearing on your client's situation. We wrap up with a discussion of results and strategies.

Attend the sessions that most interest you. **Complete all four sessions and receive a certificate**, signed by both Dean of Faculty William LaPiana and Interim Library Director and Professor Michael Roffer, recognizing this achievement. It's a great practical skill certification for your resume.

To register, go to www.nyls.edu/ResearchChallenge or scan the QR code. **Select the sessions you would like to register for and you will be taken to the registration page.**

Dates: Wednesdays beginning June 3 (June 3, June 10, 17, and 24)

Time: 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. (approximate end time)

Location: Via Zoom (Link will be sent in registration confirmation)

JUNE 3: LEGAL RESEARCH FOR TRANSACTIONAL LAWYERS

A lot of legal research you learn in law school is heavily geared toward litigation, but there's a whole other world of materials designed expressly for transactional lawyers who need to draft a variety of legal documents to accomplish their clients' goals. Learn what they are, where to find them, and how to use them.

JUNE 10: NAVIGATING THE REGULATORY MAZE: RESEARCH IN ADMINISTRATIVE LAW

You're working on a response to a major regulatory action affecting a valuable client. Your supervising attorney just told you that the client will not pay Lexis or Westlaw charges without prior approval. Can you make informed and effective choices from among free sources and fee-based sources?

JUNE 17: RESEARCH ON THE ROAD TO TRIAL: EXPERTS, JURIES, DISCOVERY, AND MORE

The trial date for your client's case is fast approaching and much of the pre-trial prep remains to be done. How are you going to find all these things, and where do you even begin to search?

JUNE 24: RESEARCHING STATUTES AND LEGISLATIVE MATERIALS

You just started your summer internship and were asked to prepare a memo on the impact of recent legislation on our clients. The partner wants information on the federal law and its legislative history as well as any pending congressional action. You don't know where to begin, but you have a meeting scheduled with her later today...

