



LibRA - Faculty Research Service

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LibRA, the Law Library's Faculty Research Service, provides research assistance for the faculty of the UNC School of Law. Research is conducted by student research assistants supervised by the Faculty Research Librarian. The Service can help you with legal and interdisciplinary research projects, whether they require five minutes or up to twenty hours to complete.

When you request research assistance, please provide as much detail as is practicable. The Faculty Research Librarian will contact you as soon as possible to discuss a due date for the research results.

To submit a research request:

- | Fill out the [Online Request Form](#) or
- | Call or email Dave Hansen, Reference/Faculty Research Librarian
 - | Phone: 919.962.1605
 - | Email: drhansen@email.unc.edu

Frequently Asked Questions

1. **Who is eligible to use LibRA?**
All law faculty, whether regular, clinical or visiting, as well as law school deans and administrators may use the Service. Please note that faculty research assistants are not permitted to make research requests on your behalf.
2. **How much of my research can LibRA handle?**
The service can assist with projects we estimate may require up to twenty hours of research. If you have lengthy research projects that exceed that estimate, you may wish to hire a research assistant or contact the Faculty Research Librarian to discuss ways to break up the project into parts that we can accommodate.
3. **How long will it take to complete the research?**
The Faculty Research Librarian will review each request and contact you with an estimate of the time needed to complete the project. That estimate will depend upon the complexity of your request and the number of projects already in line when you make your request.
4. **What about rush requests?**
When you have a research request for which you need a quick answer, please call or email the Faculty Research Librarian directly to confirm that the Service will be able to meet your accelerated deadline.
5. **How can my research assistant get help with research?**
Although research assistants cannot use the Service themselves, any of the reference librarians will be happy to assist them with search strategies or help them locate relevant resources. You may also contact your assigned [Library Liaison](#) for assistance.
6. **Can LibRA provide cite checking for my article or book?**
The Service does not offer cite checking. We can assist you in finding missing elements of citations such as author names, issue numbers, and dates of publication.

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