

# User Guide

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# 1. MENU AND SEARCH BAR

## History

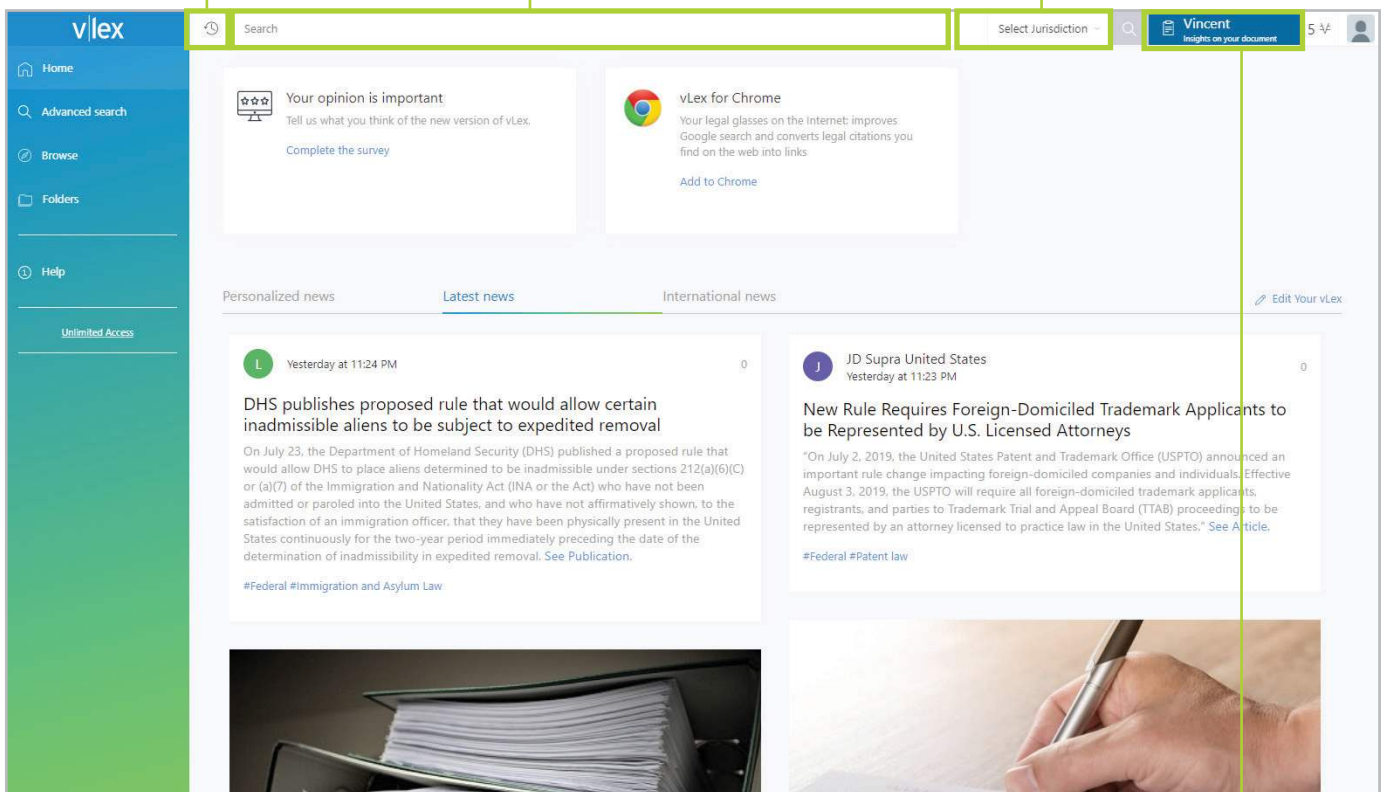
This page gives you access to your search history, and all documents that you have viewed. Various filtering options allow you to easily search through your history.

## Search bar

On the top of the page, there is a search bar that allows you to quickly enter any term(s). The autocomplete feature will show you popular searches, SmartTopics (see page 6) and the source of each result (i.e. the book or journal).

## Jurisdiction selector

vLex gives you access to content from more than 100 jurisdictions, all on a single platform. Use the jurisdiction selector to choose one or more jurisdictions to only see content from there. The search bar also takes your jurisdiction preferences into account when displaying your search results.



## Vincent

Vincent is a virtual legal assistant that uses artificial intelligence and machine learning to discover legal citations, cited authorities and relevant legal concepts in any document. Vincent functions in English and Spanish, and works in 9 different jurisdictions. To use Vincent, upload your document in Word, txt or PDF format. Automatically, Vincent will generate a list of related documents including case law, legislation, books, magazine articles and other related material.

## 2. HOME PAGE

Your vLex home page will keep you up-to-date.

### Main menu

The vLex main menu is located on the left side of the page. When you are viewing a document, this menu will be minimized, but still available by clicking on the icons. In this menu, you will find access to all of vLex's features and applications, including the help button.

The screenshot shows the vLex home page interface. On the left is a blue sidebar menu with the vLex fastcase logo and icons for Home, Advanced search, Browse, Folders, and Help. Below the menu is a section for the Washington State Bar Association (WSBA) featuring two libraries: 'Estate Planning, Probate, and Trust Administration in Washington (WSBA)' and 'Shareholder Litigation in Washington State (WSBA)'. The main content area includes a search bar, a dropdown for 'United States (Federal, All States)', and a 'Vincent' AI insights section. There are also promotional tiles for 'Online Training Sessions' and 'vLex for Word'. A green line points from the text above to the main menu, and another green line points from the text below to the 'Legal news stream' section.

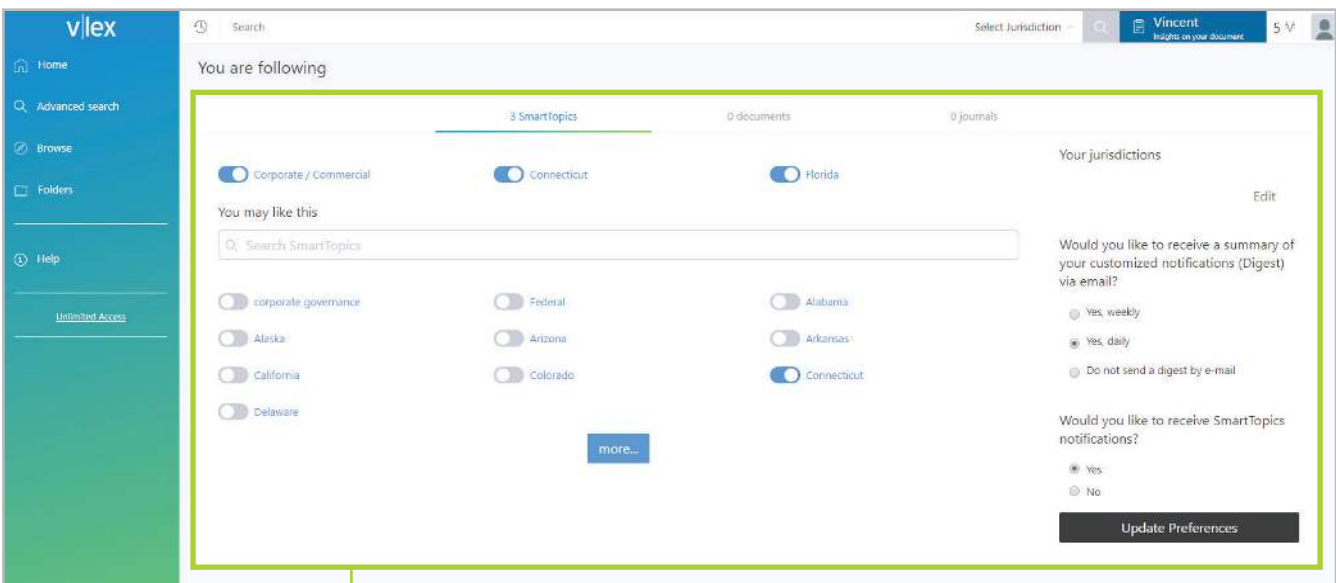
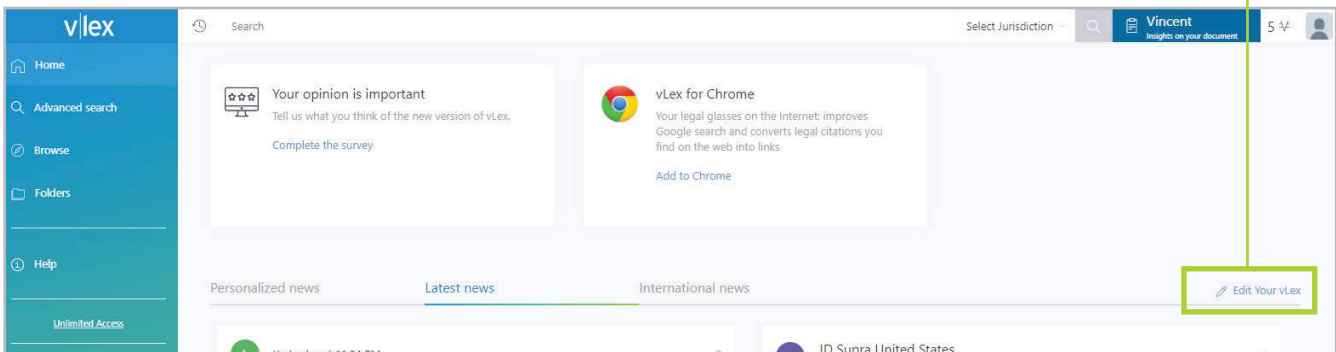
### Legal news stream

The main news stream will show you legislative and case law highlights, as well as legal news and any updated content, both nationally and internationally.

**How to configure your news stream - next page >**

## How to configure your news stream

The first time you visit vLex, you can choose the topics that are of most interest to you via SmartTopics. These SmartTopics will configure the content that you see on your news stream. If you want to edit or review which topics you are following, you can do so by selecting “Edit Your vLex.”

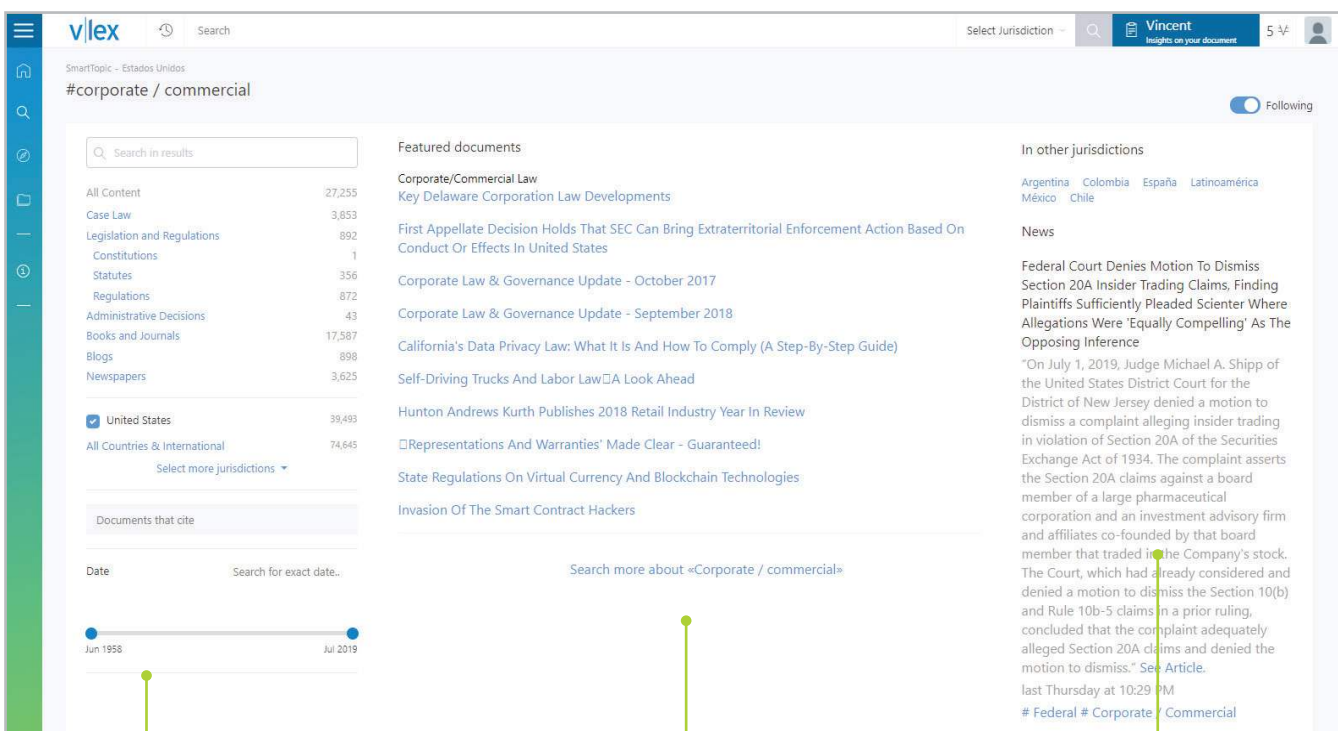
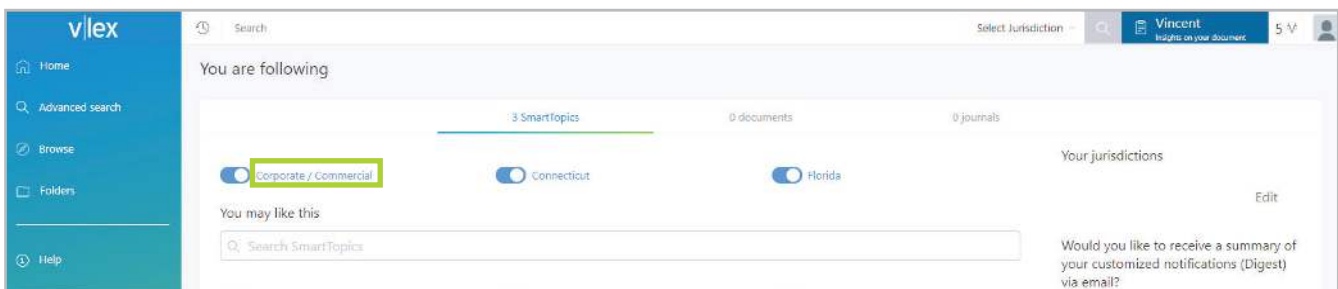


### From this page you can:

- Follow more SmartTopics, either from the list of suggestions or by selecting “Search SmartTopics” to identify new and relevant SmartTopics
- View the SmartTopics and documents that you follow
- Unfollow a SmartTopic or document

## SmartTopics view

To explore a SmartTopic, select the link and you will see two columns: the central column is for specially selected documents relating to the SmartTopic; and the column on the right highlights any recent news related to the SmartTopic.



### vLex filters

This transforms your SmartTopic into a search, allowing you to find the vLex documents most relevant to your topic.

### Featured documents

These are the documents most closely related to the selected topic.

### Updates about your topic

This shows any updates from the document's country of origin, alongside relevant updates from other countries.

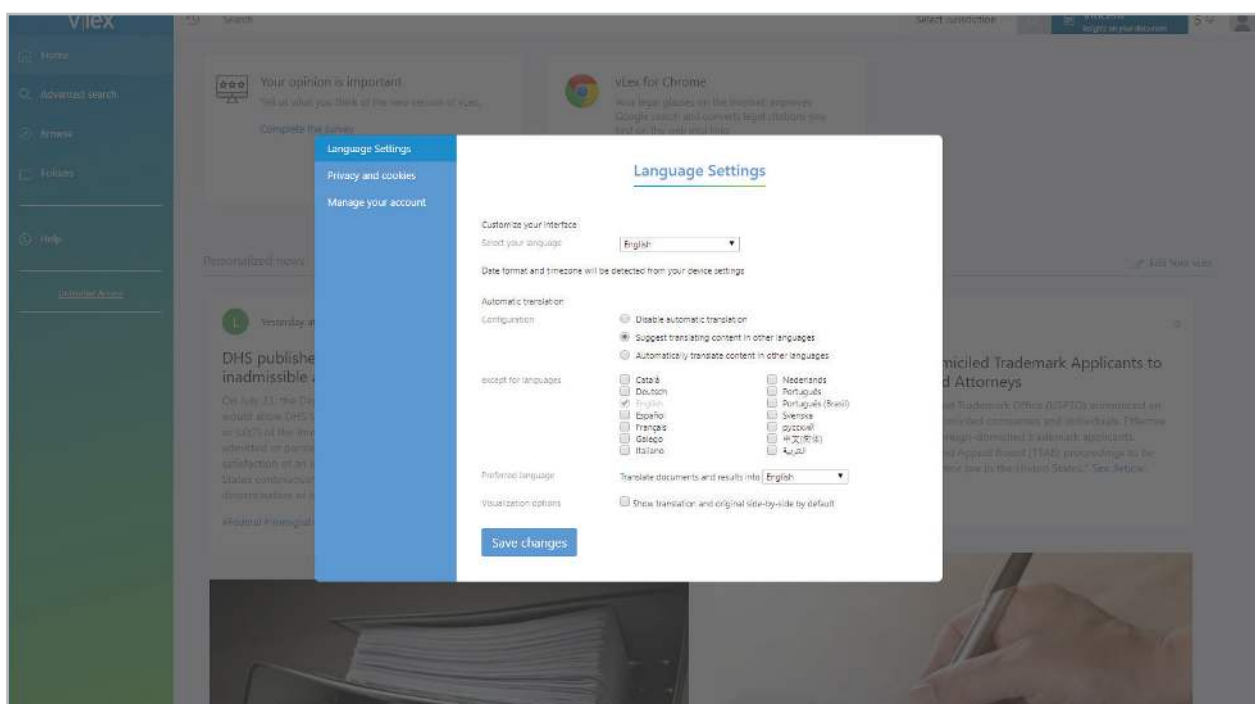
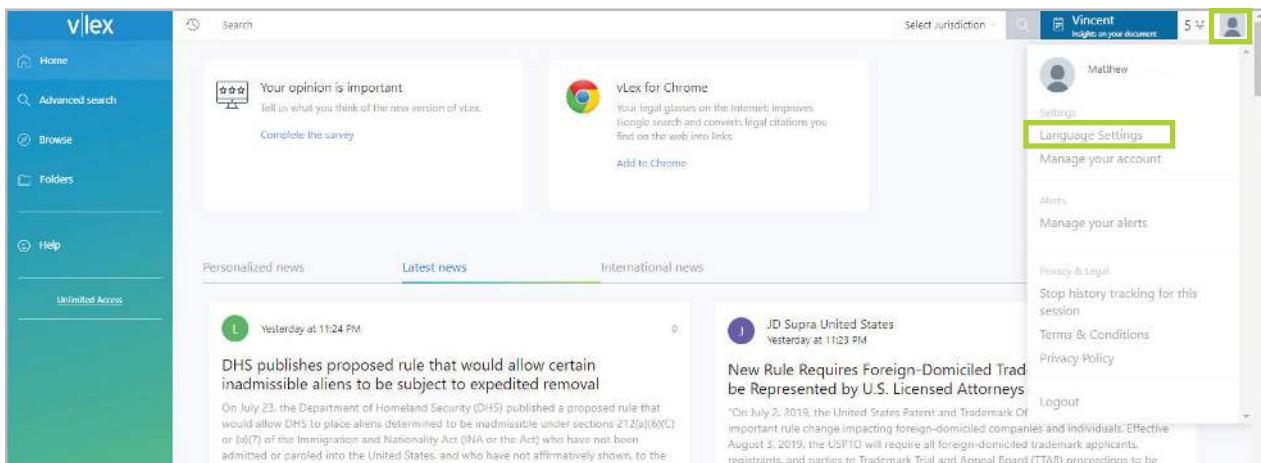


## Language and translation

### How to change the interface's language and translation settings

**In this section, you can:**

- Choose the language of the platform
- Disable the translation feature
- Translate content to other languages
- Enable automatic translation of content published in other languages



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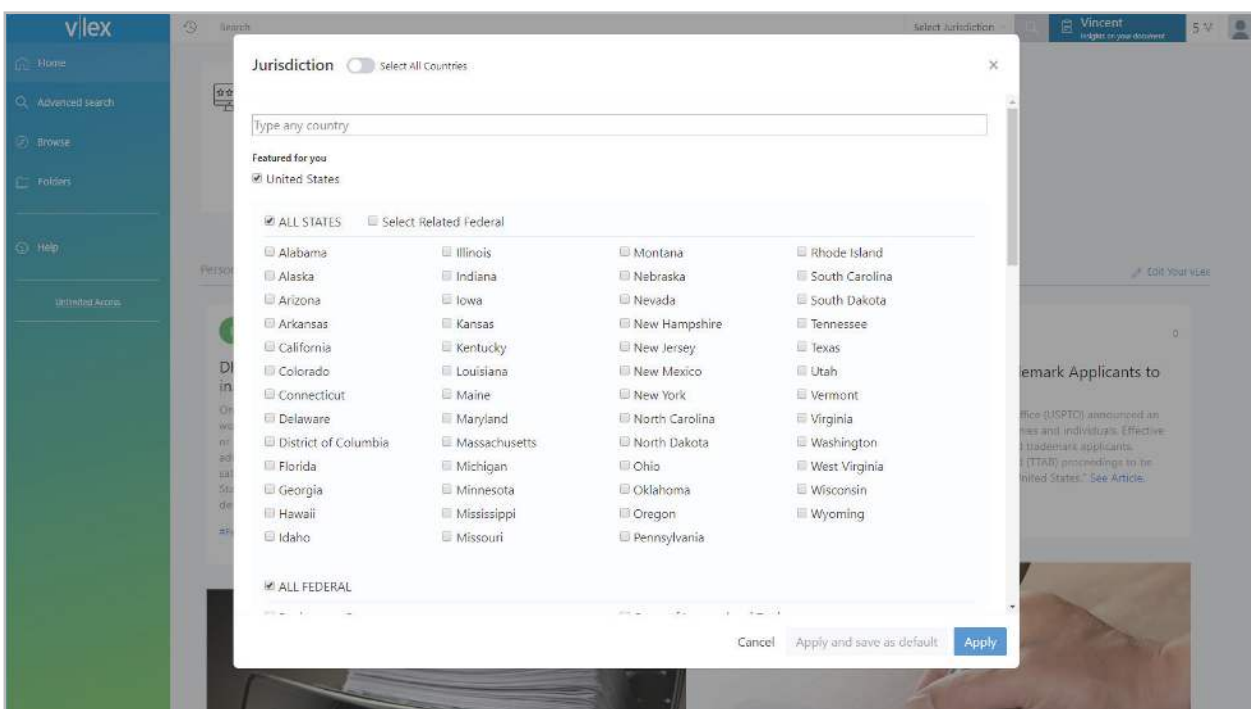
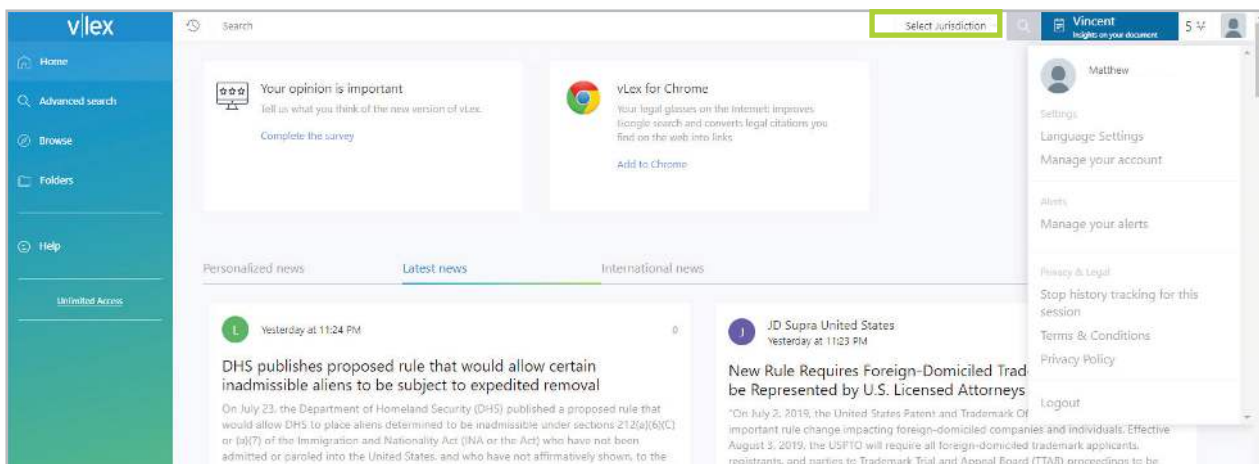
## Select a jurisdiction

### How to select one or more jurisdictions

vLex will search in the jurisdiction(s) that you have selected by default. To see which jurisdiction(s) you are using, simply select the country from the drop-down menu, which is in the top right corner of the vLex interface.

If you want to perform a search in a different jurisdiction, or add a jurisdiction, you can select it from the drop-down menu.

Click on “apply” to save the changes. Now, any searches you perform in the simple search bar will show content from the selected jurisdictions.





### 3. SEARCH

The search tool allows you to perform complex searches with little effort.

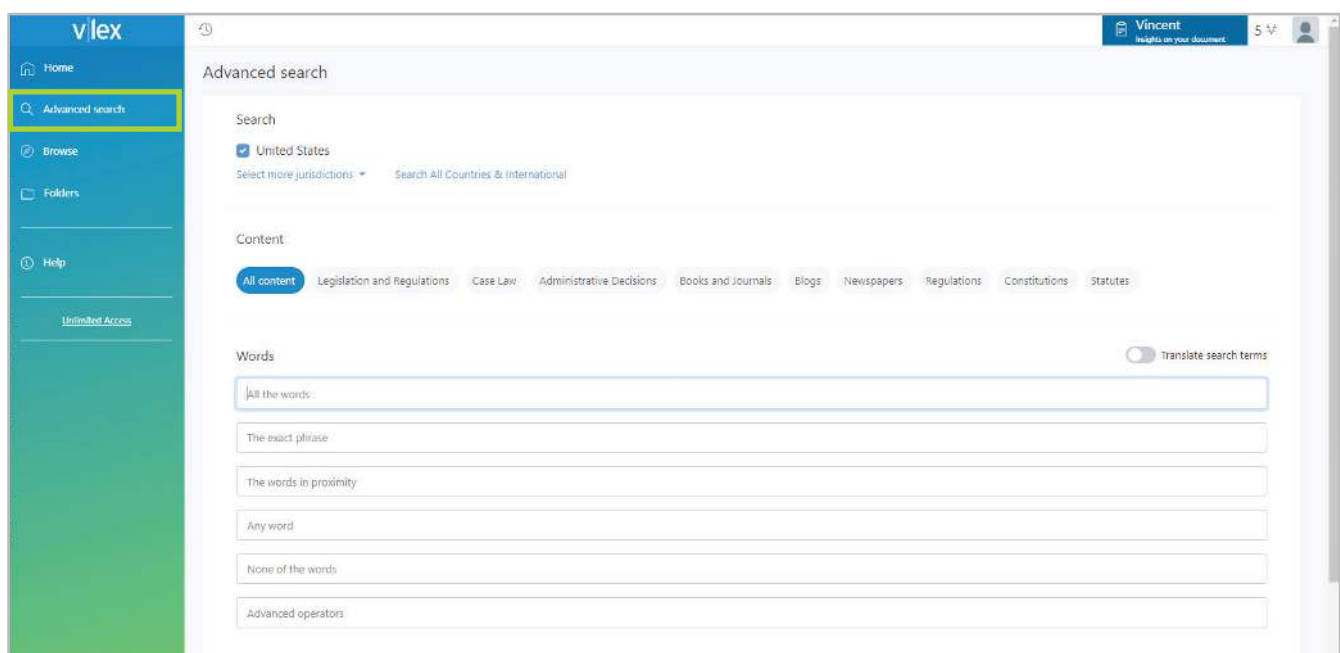
#### Autocomplete

To improve searching and help you to refine your results, we have created an autocomplete feature so that when you start your search, we can suggest some of the most relevant results before you even finish typing.



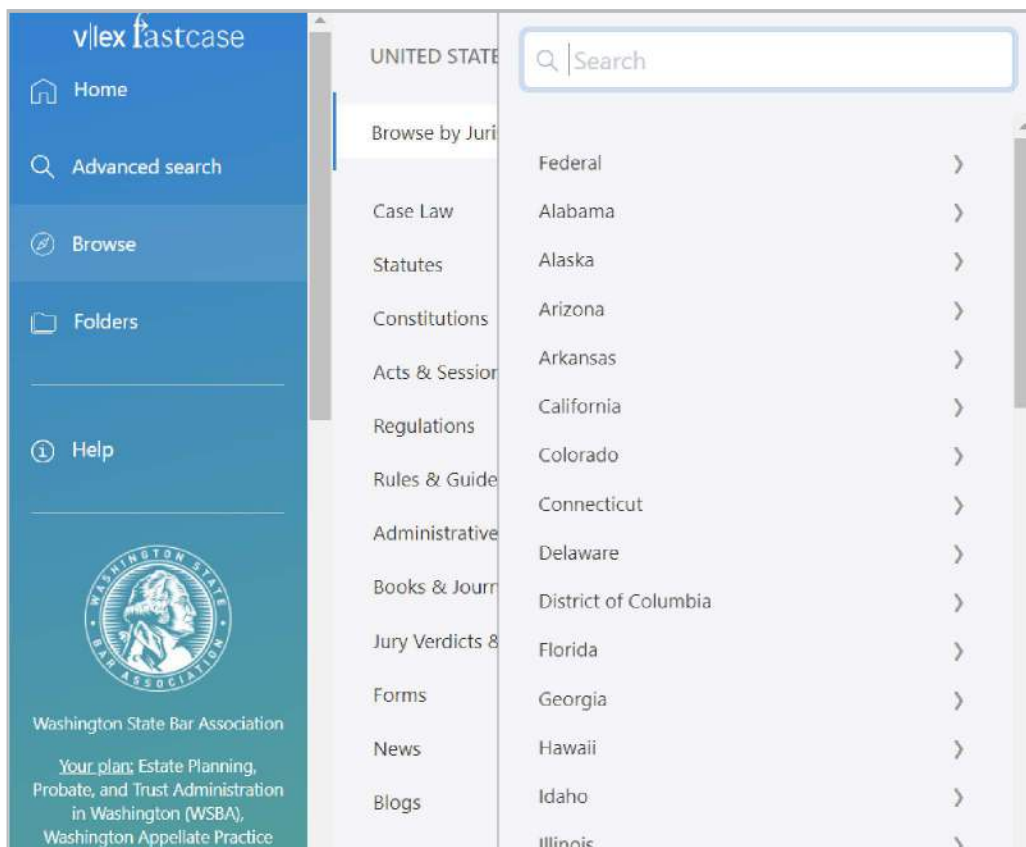
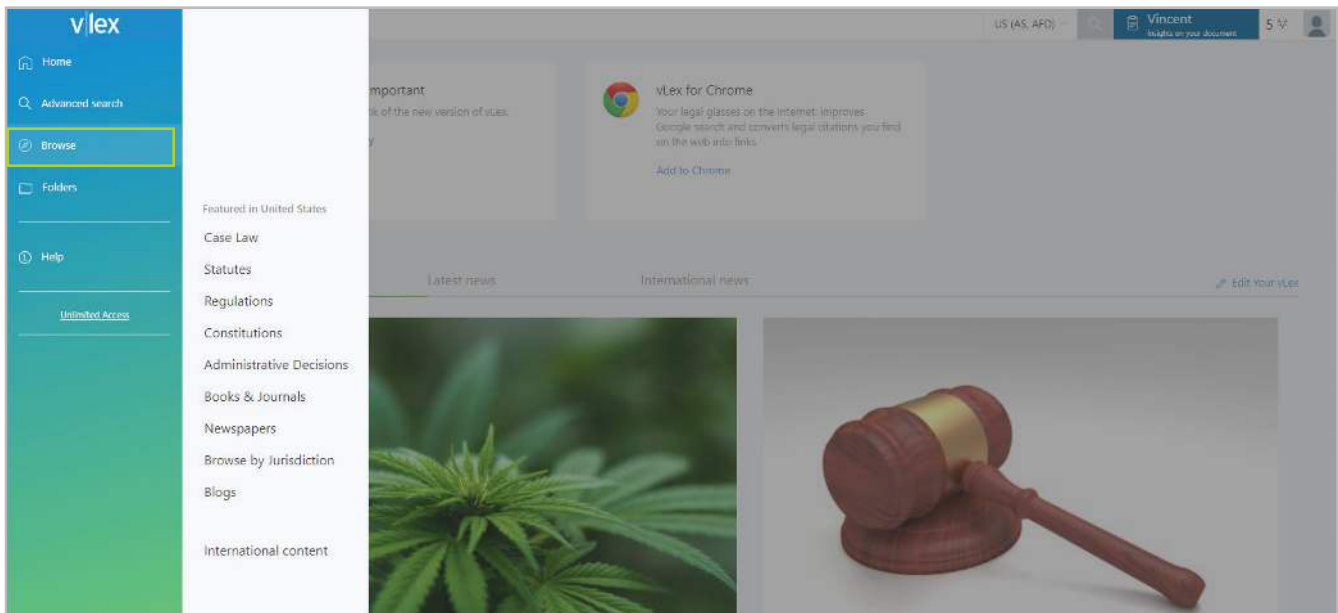
#### Advanced search

Searching for a certain word or a string of text is now much more powerful thanks to the multiple combination option. This allows you to search exactly, in combination, by proximity or by omission.



## Browse

Explore all of our content, or narrow your search to specific collections by browsing by category, jurisdiction or country. There is also a search bar within Browse so you can quickly find what you are looking for.



## Filter options

Filters allow you to refine search results quickly to show fewer results, which are more relevant. You can modify and refine your results using the filters located on the right-hand side of the page.

The screenshot shows the vLex Fastcase search results page for the query "Children divorce". The left sidebar contains a search bar and a list of filters. The main content area displays a list of documents.

Content Type	Count
All Content	141,594
Case Law	131,174
Legislation and Regulations	1,030
Constitutions	3
Statutes	1,408
Regulations	974
Administrative Decisions	367
Books and Journals	5,384
Blogs	754
Newspapers	1,198

Jurisdiction	Count
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> United States	140,120
<input type="checkbox"/> All Countries & International	183,139

Document Title	Source	Category
Understanding Time-Sharing Arrangements Of Children In Florida Divorce Proceedings	Mondaq Business Briefing	Family and Matrimonial
Family Changes: Explaining Divorce to Children.	Small Press Bookwatch	Nbr. 2015, January 2015
... Family Changes: Explaining Divorce to Children Azmaira H. Maker, author Polona Lovsin, illustrator Aspiring Families Press http://aspiringfamilies.com Smith Publicity 9780996194105, \$14.95, 34pp, www.amazon.com Synopsis: Divorce is hard... ..		
Studies Show Children of Divorce Struggle with Relationships as Adults	Mondaq Business Briefing	Family and Matrimonial
Think Twice Before Involving Your Children In Your Divorce	Mondaq Business Briefing	Employment and HR
How To Talk To Your Children About Divorce	Mondaq Business Briefing	Family and Matrimonial

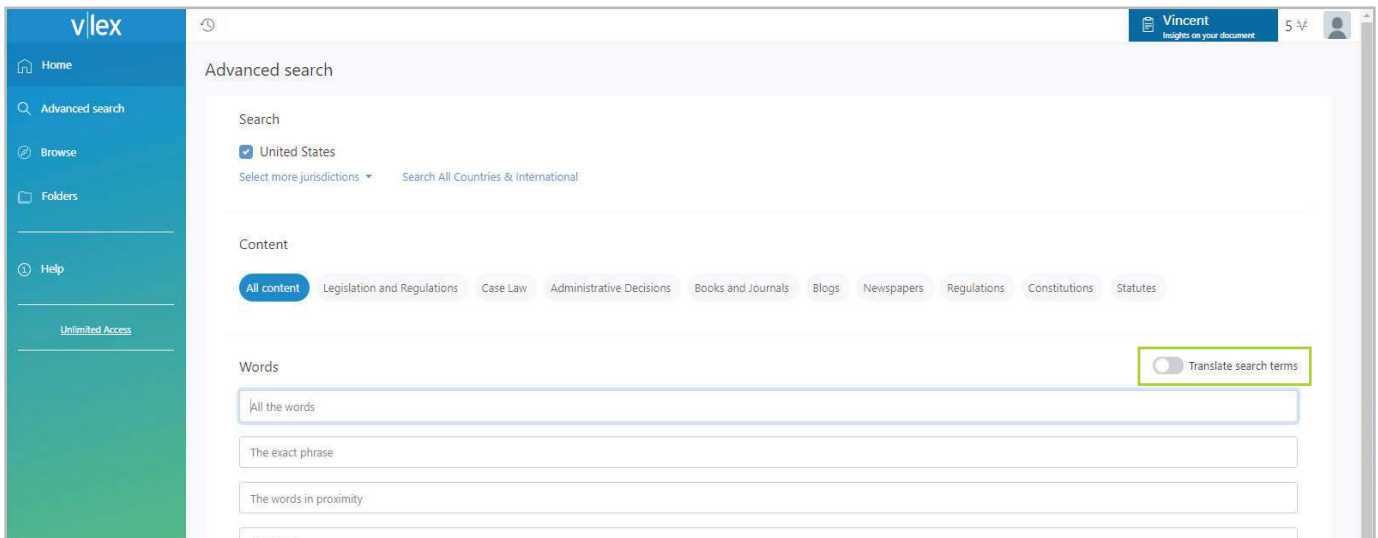
Additional filters will also be displayed, depending on the selected collection:

- In Legislation and Regulations filter by source, territorial scope and regulation.
- In Case Law filter by court, decision type and category.
- In Administrative Decisions filter by court, decision type and category.
- In Books and Journals filter by source, type of source and category.
- In Contracts and Forms filter by source, document type and category.
- In Legislative Initiatives filter by source and category.
- In Collective Agreements filter by territorial scope, type and activity.
- In News filter by source and category.
- In Official Bulletins filter by source, territorial scope and category.
- In vLex Guides search by source and category.

In all collections, you can filter by **jurisdiction, date and content included or not included in your plan.**

## Translation tool

This is a key feature to support you when you're carrying out international legal research. Start by searching in your own language for content originally published in a different language. The system will then display all results that meet your search terms, and will automatically translate the documents' titles according to your language preferences.



## Save searches as an alert

You can create an alert for each search that you perform, including a Vincent search based on an uploaded document, so that you are always informed of any news that could be important to you. Remember that the machine translation tool also works with these alerts.

At the bottom of the advanced search page, click the 'Save as an alert' button to set this up.



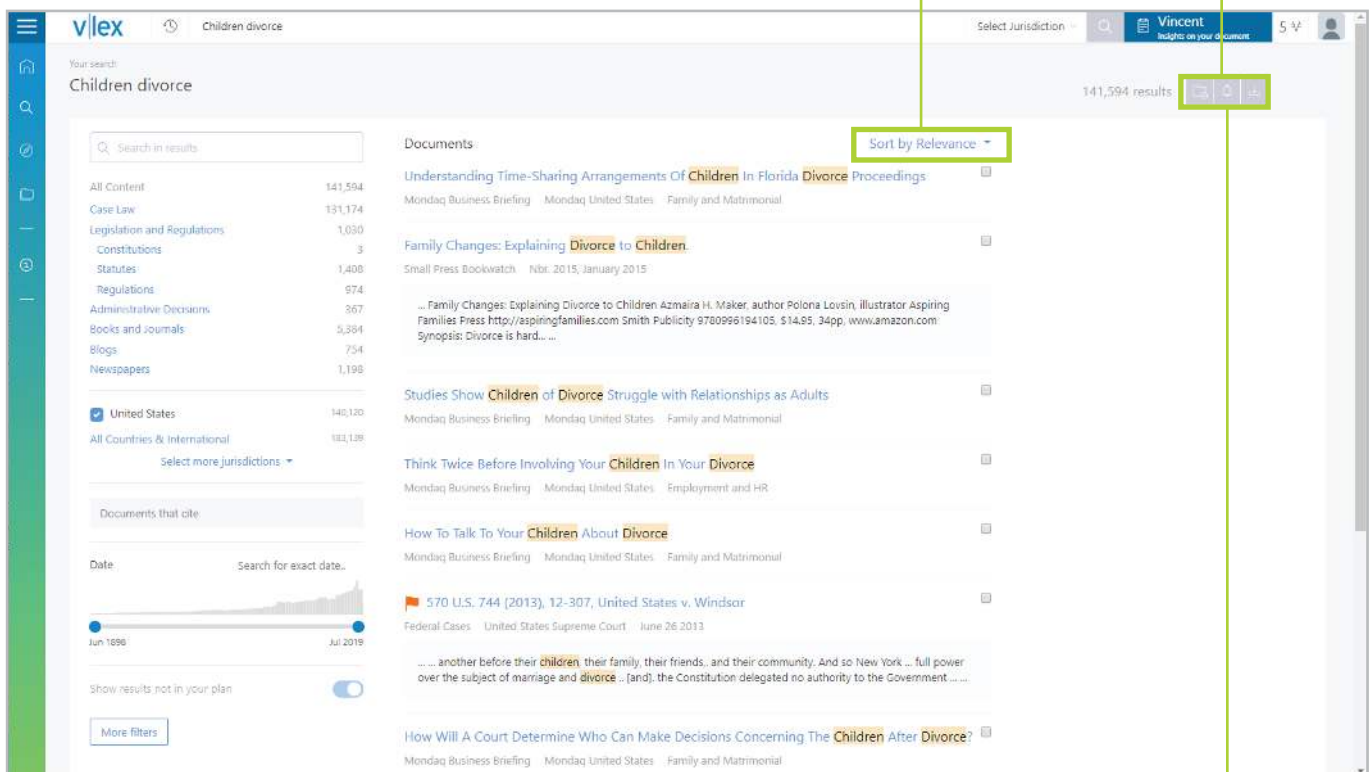
## 4. RESULTS LIST OPTIONS

### Sort results

You can sort your results in the following ways: by relevance, popularity, most recent or oldest.. In addition, case law collections can be sorted by number of citations, labelled 'Popularity'

### Save and download

You can download a list of all your results, or you can also select one or more documents from your results list to save into a folder.



### Alerts

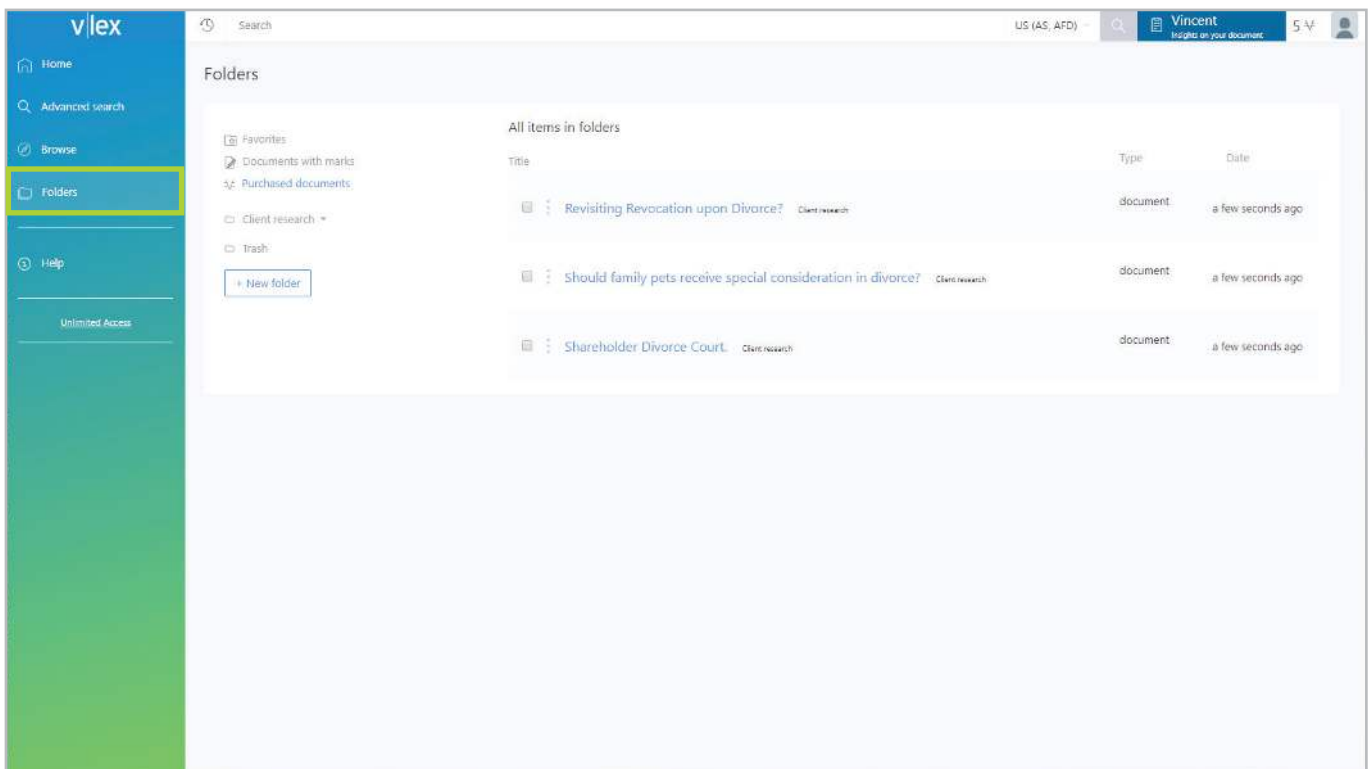
From here, you can also create alerts and choose how often you want to receive them.



## Folders

vLex helps you to improve your productivity by allowing you to save documents to folders that you can name and categorize yourself. This is like having a powerful document management system that adapts to your way of working. Each set of search results and every document can be saved in a folder. This feature gives you the option to create your own document classifications, organizing them according to your needs.

- View your favourite documents
- View documents that you have highlighted or added notes to
- View documents purchased with vLex Credit



## Analysis & negative treatment

In certain countries, our Analysis tool allows you to see how documents relate to one another - i.e. whether a document has affected the document you are interested in, or whether your document has been affected by another. This is particularly useful if your case of interest has received a negative treatment which could affect its viability.

Home - United States - Federal Cases - U.S. Supreme Court

### Chevron Inc v. Natural Resources Defense Council, Inc American Iron and Steel Institute v. Natural Resources Defense Council, Inc Ruckelshaus v. Natural Resources Defense Council, Inc

Disapproved

Document Cited Authorities 48 Cited in 17,340 Precedent Map Related

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**Decision Date:** 25 June 1984

**Citation:** 467 U.S. 837 , 104 S.Ct. 2778 , 81 L.Ed.2d 694

**Docket Number:** Nos. 82-1005 , 82-1247 and 82-1591 , s. 82-1005

**Parties:** CHEVRON, U.S.A., INC., Petitioner, v. NATURAL RESOURCES DEFENSE COUNCIL, INC., et al. AMERICAN IRON AND STEEL INSTITUTE, et al., Petitioners, v. NATURAL RESOURCES DEFENSE COUNCIL, INC., et al. William D. RUCKELSHAUS, Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, Petitioner, v. NATURAL RESOURCES DEFENSE COUNCIL, INC., et al

**Court:** U.S. Supreme Court

## Cited by

The Cited By functionality allows you to see which, if any, documents have cited the document that you are researching. Of course, we can only show you a result if your document has indeed been cited elsewhere. The vLex filters can be used to refine the results in this section, to save you time when looking at documents that have been cited multiple times.

United States - Federal Cases - United States Supreme Court

### 467 U.S. 837 (1984), 82-1005, Chevron U.S.A., Inc. v. Natural Resources Defense Council, Inc.

Document Citations 47 Negative treatment Cited by 17,602 Related Vincent

Search in results

All Content 17,565  
Case Law 15,833  
Legislation and Regulations 341  
Regulations 341  
Administrative Decisions 29  
Books and Journals 1,053  
Blogs 309  
Newspapers 34

Date Search for exact date.  
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Show results not in your plan

More filters

**Documents** Sort by Relevance

**Immigration; removal orders; countries to which aliens may be removed,**  
Federal Register January 05, 2005

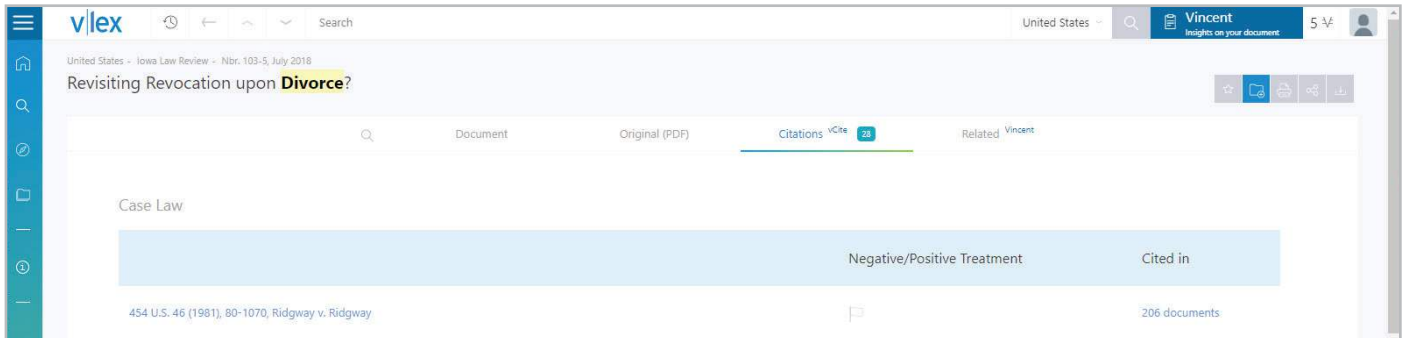
... operate within defined spheres, but those spheres sometimes overlap. Congress enacts statutes, and delegates to the Executive Branch the authority to make rules that interpret and fill in the administrative details of those statutes. The interpretation of the statutes in these rules are given due deference by the courts when cases present questions of statutory interpretation. *INS v. Aguirre- Aguirre*, 526 U.S. 415, 423-25 (1999); *Chevron U.S.A. Inc. v. Natural Res. Def. Council, Inc.*, 467 U.S. 837, 842-45 (1983). The invocation of the judicial power, however, does not stay the processes of government; Congress may amend the statute at any time. Similarly, the Executive Branch may amend the regulations under the statute at any time. Not infrequently, these amendments result in different disposition of the cases pending before the courts. See, e.g., *Bell v. Wolfish*, 441 U.S. 520, 549-52 (1979) (amendment of Bureau of Prisons regulations while constitutional challenge to prior re...)

**Justice Department, Immigration and Naturalization Service,**  
Federal Register August 26, 2002

... process, the Department employs Board members to decide the merits of cases brought before the Board. That decisional process includes not only the individual case, but also the function of setting precedent to guide the immigration judges, the Service, attorneys and accredited representatives, and respondents. Historically, as the Attorney General's delegate, the Board's precedent decisions have been accorded appropriate deference under the Supreme Court's decisions in *Chevron v. NRDC*, 467 U.S. 837 (1984) (deference due agency interpretation of statutes within delegated authority); *INS v. Aguirre-Aguirre*, 526 U.S. 415, 425 (1999) (Attorney General, and hence the Board, accorded Chevron deference); *INS v. Cardoza-Fonseca*, 480 U.S. 421, 448-449 (1987) (same), as the primary interpreter of the Immigration and Nationality Act. The Attorney General's ultimate authority to decide the cases presented to the Board through his delegation has not changed over the years, although it has...

### vCite Citations

Available only in certain countries, and similar to the Versions feature, vLex Citations lets you know whether the legislation cited and applied in a document is still current. vLex can not only tell you if it has been amended, but also if there are plans to amend its that have already been passed, but are not yet in force.

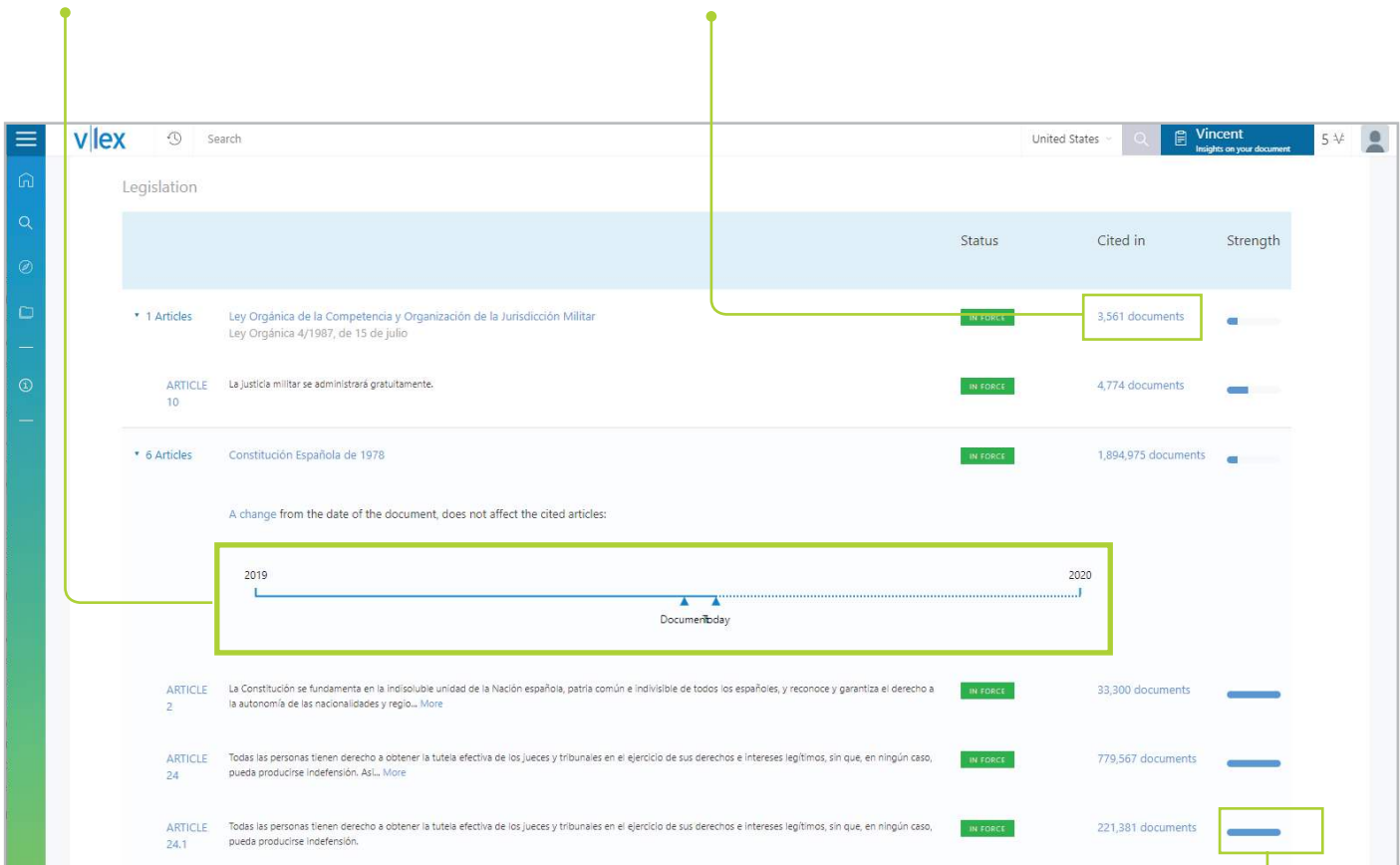


### Chronological line

A visual representation of any reforms that the law or article has undergone.

### Citations

The number of documents that have cited a specific law or article.

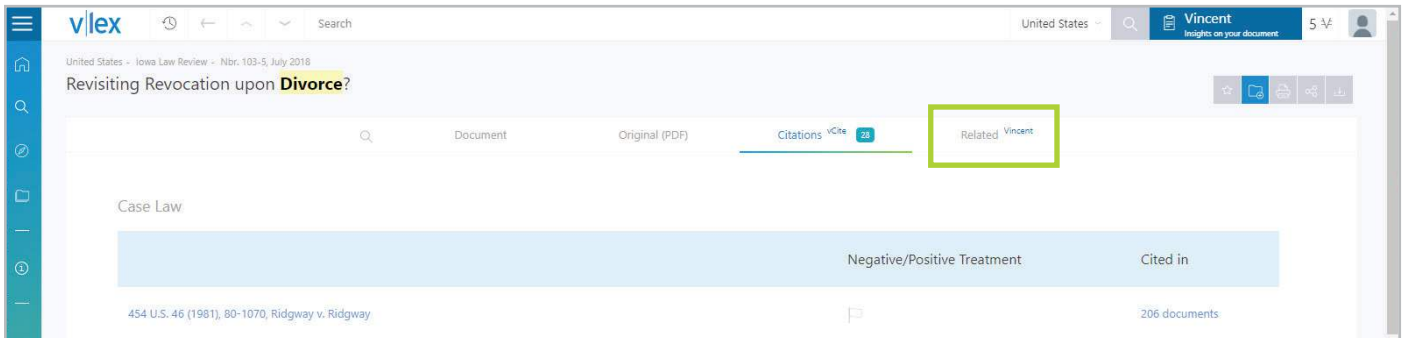


### Strength

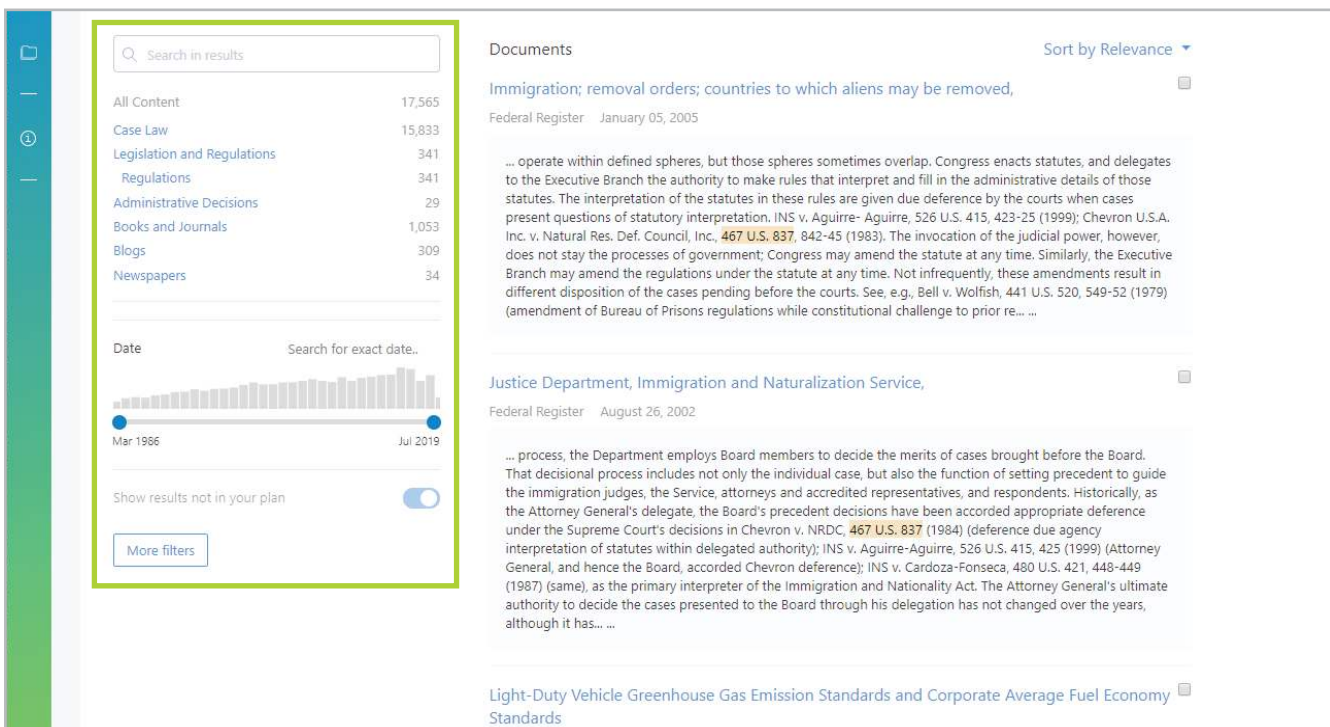
The importance of the legislation to the document in which it was referenced.

## Related Vincent

Related Vincent applies Vincent's analysis to the document that you are viewing. Click on the Related Vincent section in any document from any collection to start the analysis.



The vLex filters will appear, allowing you to narrow down the results.



## Processing PDF documents

Some vLex documents are in PDF format. vLex technology can read a PDF's content and apply the same vLex features that are available for other documents to it, such as:

- Highlighting and adding notes
- Showing links in the text to other vLex documents
- Using Vincent's analysis by clicking on "Related Vincent"
- Downloading a document, marking it as a favourite, or saving it to a folder



If you want to view a document as it was published (without vLex document enrichment), click on the "Original (PDF)" tab. This will allow you to view it without downloading it to your computer.

## Key concepts and suggested documents

vLex technology extracts the key concepts from a case and suggests similar cases to you that could be of interest.

This feature will show you a series of related keywords at the top of the document, and a column to the right shows you the SmartTopics related to the decision you are viewing along with any other similar decisions.



## 6. DOCUMENT OPTIONS

### Text search

On the upper left-hand side, you will find a small search box that allows you to search within the document.

The screenshot displays the v|lex fastcase interface for a document. On the left side, there is a vertical navigation bar with a search icon at the top and a 'Table of Contents' section below. The search bar is labeled 'Search in this document'. The Table of Contents lists various chapters (CAP. I to CAP. VIII) and annexes (ANEXO I, II, III) with their respective article ranges. A 'Go to § Art.' button is located next to the Table of Contents. The main content area shows the document title: 'Reglamento Delegado (UE) 2015/281 de la Comisión, de 26 de noviembre de 2014, que sustituye los anexos I y II del Reglamento (UE) no 1215/2012 del Parlamento Europeo y del Consejo relativo a la competencia judicial, el reconocimiento y la ejecución de resoluciones judiciales en materia civil y mercantil'. Below the title, it states 'Version in force since February 26 2015'. The document is published in the 'Diario Oficial de la Unión Europea' and has a 'Latest update' of '26/02/2015'. The main text of the document is visible, starting with 'EL PARLAMENTO EUROPEO Y EL CONSEJO DE LA UNIÓN EUROPEA, Visto el Tratado de Funcionamiento de la Unión Europea y, en particular, su artículo 67, apartado 4, y su artículo 81, apartado 2, letras a), c) y e), Vista la propuesta de la Comisión Europea, Previa transmisión del proyecto de acto legislativo a los Parlamentos nacionales, Visto el dictamen del Comité Económico y Social Europeo ( 1 ), De conformidad con el procedimiento legislativo ordinario ( 2 ), Considerando lo siguiente: (1) El 21 de abril de 2009, la Comisión adoptó un informe sobre la aplicación del Reglamento (CE) no 44/2001 del Consejo, de 22 de diciembre de 2000, relativo a la competencia judicial, el reconocimiento y la ejecución de resoluciones judiciales en materia civil y mercantil ( 3 ). En dicho informe se concluía que, en general, el funcionamiento del citado Reglamento es satisfactorio, pero que es deseable mejorar la aplicación de algunas de sus disposiciones, facilitar en mayor medida la libre circulación de las resoluciones judiciales y mejorar el acceso a la justicia. Debiéndose llevar a cabo una serie de modificaciones, conviene, en aras de una mayor claridad, proceder a la refundición del mencionado Reglamento.'

### Document navigation

To simplify the review of large documents, an index or table of contents, as applicable, is located on the left side of the page. When browsing a document or regulation, for example, this feature makes it easy to move between passages, sections or subsections.

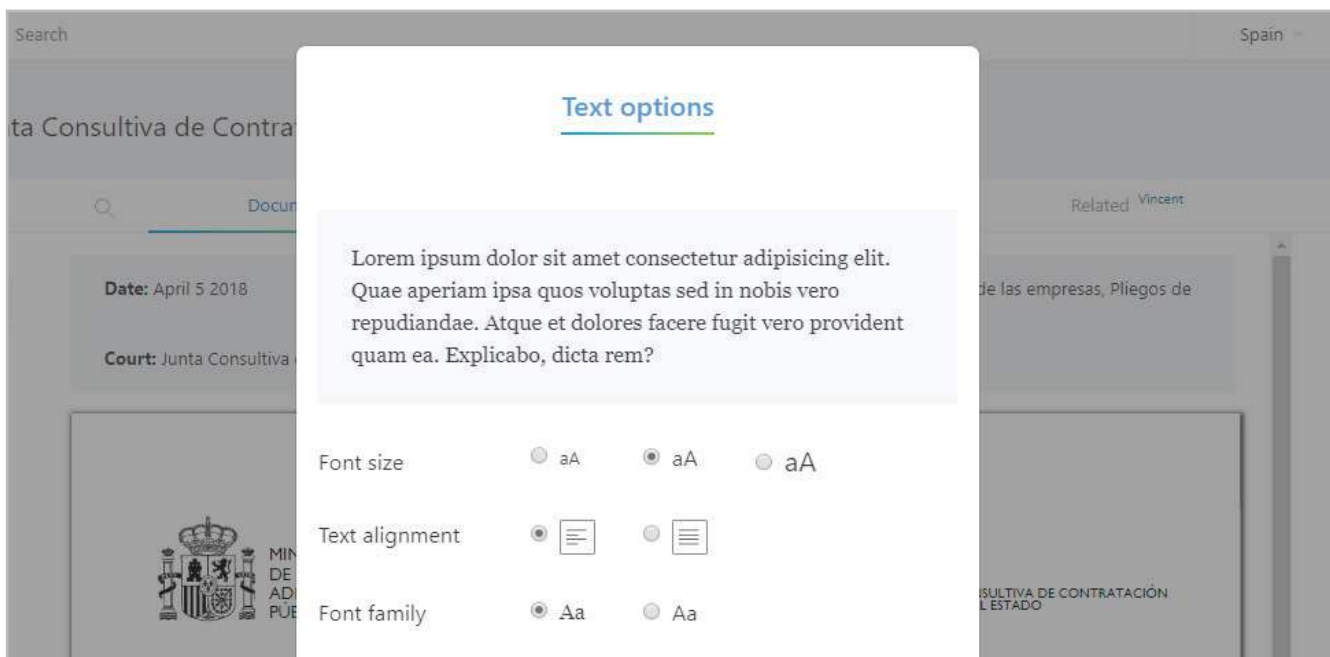
## Reading mode

The combination of colours and text within the vLex platform have been carefully chosen to reduce visual fatigue. Alongside this you have the option to use a full-screen viewer, where you can read the text as if it were a book. To use this option in any document, simply click on Reader.



## Text options

You can also adjust a document's text options to further facilitate readability.





## Sharing options

vLex allows you to send a specific document link by email without having to download it or save it. There is also the option to share a link to a specific document on your social networking sites, including Twitter, Facebook, and LinkedIn.

## Download and print options

The different options for downloading and printing a document are located at the top of the page, as seen in the following image.

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For more information,  
consult our help center

[www.support.vlex.com](http://www.support.vlex.com)

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