

PLEI Taxonomy, v. 3.0

The Clicklaw project includes the development of a PLEI taxonomy. The PLEI taxonomy is made up of categories that complement the abilities of search to help users find relevant information, education and help (that is, resources and services) on Clicklaw. The categories represent aspects of things that are hard to capture with just keyword search terms. The categories will be used on Clicklaw to:

- present users with clickable browsing routes in to information on Clicklaw
- allow users to refine their search results
- allow users to link in to related information

This taxonomy extends work done as a precursor to the Clicklaw project: see the PLEI Taxonomy Project Document, version 2.4 (January 16, 2008).

Legal Issues facet

These terms complete the following sentence: "This resource is about ____" or "This service deals with ____ legal issues".

*Note: Popular issues are flagged with a (**). These issues will appear on the homepage of Clicklaw. All issues will appear on the Legal Issues page.*

- Aboriginal **
 - Aboriginal Rights
 - Land Claims & Treaties
 - Residential Schools
- Abuse **
 - Family Violence
- Accidents & Injuries **
- Animals
- Business
- Cars & Transportation
- Children & Teens **
- Complaints Against Public Bodies
- Consumer **
 - Consumer Protection
 - Credit & Personal Finance
- Crime **
 - Accused
 - Crimes & Offences
 - Police
 - Prisoners
 - Victims
 - Youth Justice
- Death
- Debt **
 - Foreclosure
- Disabilities **
- Education
- Employment **
 - Employment Insurance
 - Employment Standards
 - Workers Compensation
- Entertainment
- Environment **
- Family Law **
 - Adoption
 - Custody & Access
 - Divorce & Separation
 - Marriage & Common Law
 - Removal of a Child
 - Support
- Food
- Gays, Lesbians, Trans & Bisexuals
- Health **
 - Addictions
 - Mental Health
 - Patients' Rights
- Housing & Tenancy **
 - Buying or Selling
 - Condos
 - Homelessness
 - Landlords & Tenants
 - Neighbours
- Human Rights **
 - Charter of Rights
 - Discrimination
- Immigration **
- Internet
- Life Planning
 - Guardianship
 - Power of Attorney & Representation Agreements
- Military
- Pensions & Benefits **
- Personal Identification
- Privacy
- Seniors **
- Volunteers
- Voting
- Welfare **
- Wills & Estates **
 - Estates
 - Wills

In addition, we will have two things happening behind the scenes to help guide people to the terms that we use in our legal issues taxonomy:

- **Related terms:** On legal issues pages, we will present links to “related issues”. For example, on the Wills & Estates page:



- **Cross-references:** Behind the scenes, we will also have cross-references that will take users searching by other terms to the legal issues term that we are using. For example, cross references for **Condos** would include strata property, condominiums, and cooperative housing.

Audience facet

These terms complete the following sentence: “This resource is written/created for _____” or “This service is aimed at _____”.

- for people with a legal issue
- for service providers
- for educators
- for students

Resource Type facet

These terms complete the following sentence: “This resource and others like it are _____”.

- Basics
- Self-help
- Forms
- Courses & learning
- Manuals & reports

Media Format facet

These terms complete the following sentence: “This resource is in _____ format”.

- Audio/podcast
- PDF
- Print
- Video
- Web

Source facet

These terms complete the following sentence: “This resource is from _____”.

- from non-profits
- from government
- from legal professionals

HelpMap

Note: services and organizations on the HelpMap would be classified using the Legal Issues and Audience facets, as well as the Type of Help facet here.

Type of Help facet

These terms complete the following sentence: "This service/organization provides _____".

- Advocacy, advice or representation
- Information or self-help
- Government & courts
- Counselling & support
- Education & reform

Court & Lawyers

Note: resources in this section of the site would not be classified using the Legal Issues or Type of Help facets, but they would be classified by the categories below, and as well by the Audience, Resource Type, Media Format, and Source facets.

- Learn about courts & the law
 - The court system
 - Intro to the law
- Lawyers & legal help
 - Get free legal services
 - Choosing a lawyer
 - Work with a lawyer
 - If you have a problem with your lawyer
- Going to court or tribunal
 - Tips for representing yourself
 - Court forms
 - Small Claims Court
 - Family Court
 - BC Supreme Court
- Alternatives to court
 - Mediation

Laws, Cases & Rules

*Note: resources in this section of the site would **not** be classified using any of the taxonomy facets, only by the categories below.*

- Cases
- Statutes & regulations
- Court rules
- Local bylaws

We want your feedback!

Organizations participating in the Clicklaw initiative are invited to offer feedback on this version of the PLEI taxonomy by October 31, 2008. Please contact Tracy McLean at tracy.mclean@bccls.bc.ca or 604-660-2841.