

Comment from Consultative Group Member Roxanne L. Rothschild on *Disclosure of Agency Legal Materials*
June 7, 2022

Thank you for hosting the meeting yesterday about accessibility of legal materials. With regard to the issue that was raised regarding indexing or search tools for legal materials made available to the public, below are some examples of what the NLRB does to assist people in finding what they are looking for in the legal materials posted on our website. I hope this is helpful for the consultants.

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06/03/2022	371 NLRB No. 105	Amerinox Processing, Inc.	04-CA-268380
06/02/2022	371 NLRB No. 104	Paragon Systems	13-CA-274000
05/31/2022	371 NLRB No. 103	Island Hospitality Management II, LLC d/b/a Hampton Inn -- Long Island Brookhaven	29-CA-274600
05/27/2022	371 NLRB No. 83	11 West 51 Realty LLC D/B/A The Jewel Facing Rockefeller Center	02-CA-256884

[Case search:](#)

The screenshot displays the 'Case Search' interface. At the top, there is a search bar with the text 'e.g. strikes or "Acme Widgets" or 22-CA-029179' and a 'Search' button. Below the search bar, the page is divided into two main sections: 'Filters' on the left and 'Case Search' on the right. The 'Filters' section includes 'Case Type' with options for 'Unfair Labor Practice (C) (374458)' and 'Representation (R) (45681)', 'Case Status' with options for 'Open (13290)', 'Closed (406686)', and 'Open - Blocked (163)', and a 'Date' filter. The 'Case Search' section shows '1-10 of 420163 Case Search Results for all' and a 'Download CSV' button. Below this, there are two case entries. The first entry is for 'Central Yetev Lev D'Satmar Meat, Inc.' with Case Number 29-CA-296999, Date Filed June 6, 2022, Status Open, Location Brooklyn, NY, and Region Assigned Region 29, Brooklyn, New York. The second entry is for 'Clara Maass Medical Center' with Case Number 22-RC-297019, Date Filed June 6, 2022, Status Open, Location Belleville, NJ, and Region Assigned Region 22, Newark, New Jersey. Each case entry has 'E-File' and 'Follow' buttons.

[Research](#) – Our research area on our public website includes “CiteNet,” which is our own index of issues raised in Board decisions and related court decisions. It is akin to Westlaw’s “KeyCite” system. We have an attorney who reviews all Board decisions and related court decisions and identifies key issues in the cases, and tags the issues to make them easily searchable in the CiteNet system.

The screenshot shows the 'Research' section. It features a heading 'Research' and a sub-heading 'Legal researchers may find the following resources useful:'. Below this, there is a list of six resources:

- **CiteNet:** The Classified Index of NLRB Board Decisions and Related Court Decisions.
- **ECIS:** Please note - ECIS is no longer being updated. Please see [Case Search](#) to locate cases.
- **General Counsel Memos:** General Counsel memoranda are issued to field offices and/or Washington offices by the General Counsel to provide policy guidance.
- **Operations-Management Memos:** Operations-Management memoranda are issued to the field offices from the Division of Operations-Management of the General Counsel's Office in Washington to give direction in case handling matters.
- **Advice Memos:** Advice memoranda issue guidance to regional offices directing dismissal of charges or issuance of complaints.
- **Weekly Summary of Decisions:** A digest of decisions issued by the Board the previous week, with a short description of the nature and facts of the case and a link to the decision. Also listed are case names and links to decisions by NLRB Administrative Law Judges, and to decisions by Appellate Courts involving NLRB cases.
- **Open Gov page:** See our Open Gov page for links to data available on data.gov.

[Guidance materials:](#)

Manuals

Our manuals are written for legal and non-legal audiences and provide a wealth of material useful for understanding and navigating NLRB cases.

Hard copies for many of the following manuals may be ordered through the [Government Printing Office](#).

-  [NLRB Casehandling Manual, Part 1, Unfair Labor Practice Proceedings \(September 2021\)](#)
-  [NLRB Casehandling Manual, Part 2, Representation Proceedings \(September 2020\)](#)
-  [NLRB Casehandling Manual, Part 3, Compliance Proceedings \(October 2020\)](#)
-  [National Academy of Arbitrators SEW Binder \(October 2015\)](#)
-  [Outline of Law and Procedure in Representation Cases \(June 2017\)](#)
-  [Outline of Law Procedure 2017 supplement](#)
-  [Outline of Law Procedure 2018 supplement](#)
-  [Outline of Law Procedure 2019 supplement](#)
-  [Outline of Law Procedure 2020 supplement](#)
-  [Outline of Law Procedure 2021 supplement](#)
-  [NLRB Guide for Hearing Officers](#)
-  [NLRB Section 10\(j\) Manual \(redacted\) \(September 2002\)](#)
-  [NLRB ALJ Bench Book 2022](#)
-  [Guide to Board Procedures](#)
-  [NLRB Style Manual \(January 2000\)](#)
-  [NLRB FOIA Manual](#)