

RESEARCH TOPIC GUIDE

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CELL PHONE EVIDENCE

Scenario

After hearing about the use of cell phone evidence in several high-profile trials, a legal researcher is interested in learning more about using cell phone records as trial evidence.

Search

"cell phone" /s
evidence

Results

Search results include publications and program transcripts such as:

- Current Developments in Federal Civil Practice
- Electronic Discovery Deskbook (3rd Edition)
- Employment Law Yearbook
- Essential Trial Evidence: Brought to Life by Famous Trials, Films, and Fiction
- Ethics in Social Media
- Nuts & Bolts of Electronic Discovery
- PLI Current: The Journal of PLI Press
- Proskauer on Privacy: A Guide to Privacy and Data Security Law in the Information Age
- Social Media and the Law
- White Collar Crime: Prosecutors and Regulators Speak

The screenshot displays the PLI PLUS search interface. At the top, there are four navigation tabs: Search, Browse, My Bookshelf, and My History. The Search tab is active. Below the tabs, there is a search bar containing the query "cell phone" /s evidence. To the left of the search bar, there is a "Refine your search" section with a "Search Within Result" field. Below this, there are two filter sections: "Format" and "Date". The "Format" section has checkboxes for Answer Books, Course Handbooks (41), Forms, Journals (1), Transcripts, and Treatises (10). The "Date" section has a dropdown menu for years, with 2010-2019 selected, showing 52 results. Below the filters, there is a "Your Filters" section showing: Date: After 2016, Format: Course Handbooks, Treatises, Answer Books, Journals. The main search results area shows 52 total results. The first result is a chapter titled "Chapter 18. Memorandum and Order, United States v. Walters, 16-cr-338 (PKC) (S.D.N.Y. 2017)". The author is Barry H. Berke, published in October 2017. The snippet of the text reads: "... Walters will have the ability to cross-examine Davis at trial to endeavor to establish that the published information was sufficient to construct a false narrative. There is not, however, any basis to conclude that the newspaper articles had any impact whatsoever on the grand jury's decision to indict. Defendant argues that the cell phone contained exculpatory evidence ... regarding the investigation. (Id.) He ceased using his FBI-issued cell phone and gave the Times reporters his personal cell phone number. (Id.) Chaves spoke to the Times reporters on his personal cell phone sometime between June 2 and June 11, 2014, and does not remember if he spoke to them on his personal cell phone ... that would have been available for his defense but for the illegal leaks, which caused Davis to destroy the phone. (See Def.'s Mem. in Supp., Jan. 13, 2017 at 33-34.) However, Walters does not argue that the destruction of the cell phone in any way prejudiced him at the grand jury proceedings, at which he has no right to present exculpatory evidence. ..."