



# COURTSDesk

## SEARCHER

### *FAQ: Courtsdesk litigation search for ABI Members*

**Q: WHAT IS COURTSDesk SEARCHER?**

**A:** Courtsdesk Searcher is an on-demand search for court cases, or parties involved in court cases, in England and Wales and the Republic of Ireland.

To use the service, simply enter the names or keywords into an online form and our team of analysts will run the search to your specification. We undertake to reply within a maximum of four hours with a time-stamped report including any and all matches for your search query, in multiple tiers of the courts and other data sources.

**Q: WHAT DOES IT COST?**

**A:** ABI has negotiated a cost of £25 per search for members. For each name searched, up to 10 court case summaries with all available detail on the case will be supplied. For names matched in more than 10 cases, a summary list of results will be supplied, with a quote for further search work to return reports for all cases.

**Q: HOW DOES IT WORK?**

**A:** The search service is built to find names of people or companies involved in court cases. You submit name or keyword request(s) and our search team will run them against any and all litigation data we have access to and return matches to you by email. For some courts this may be very limited, such as parties, dates of hearings, case number etc. For others it may include all named parties, solicitors on record for all parties, nature of litigation, and a schedule of documents available. The list of sources is growing each month, but the current list of courts or case types covered is below.

To run a search, follow these steps:

1. Go to the Courtsdesk Searcher entry form: <https://courtsdesk.paperform.co/>
2. Fill out the form with your queries and any corresponding notes or details
3. Pay the appropriate fee - as outlined on the form, depending on your search
4. We send you the results by email within one working day

**Q: WHO CAN I CONTACT IF I HAVE QUERIES?**

**A:** Courtsdesk has a dedicated liaison for ABI members in the UK, who can be contacted about general queries, or for more complex or high-volume searches which the online search form for ABI members may not cater for.

**Contact: Kim Crossley | email: [kim@hanoverstrategies.co.uk](mailto:kim@hanoverstrategies.co.uk) | tel: 07787 554 239**  
**Customer support email address: [searcher@courtsdesk.com](mailto:searcher@courtsdesk.com)**

**Q: WHAT COURTS OR INFORMATION SOURCES ARE INCLUDED?**

**A:** Your search will include access to the courts or case types listed below. Kindly note this search covers listings of the County Court at London *only*, other regional County Courts are not yet available. The archive for some High Court cases such as the London Commercial and Property Courts begins in June 2017, and for the lower courts such as the County Court at London and regional divisions of the High Court begins in February 2019. We will email clients (i.e. anyone who has used the service and not opted out of update emails) when we add new data sources.

At launch, the jurisdictions and court or case types available for search are:

DIVISION OF COURTS SEARCHED	COMPLETE ARCHIVE SINCE	PARTIAL ARCHIVE SINCE
<b>COURTS OF ENGLAND &amp; WALES</b>		
County Court at London - listings	2019	N/A
Queen's Bench Claims	2015	2012
Queen's Bench Appeals	2015	2012
Business and Property Regional Courts outside London	2015	2012
Senior Court Costs Office	2015	2012
Administrative Court, Local Admin Courts and Planning Court	2015	2012
Court of Appeal - Civil Division	2015	2012
Upper Tribunal Immigration and Asylum Chamber	2015	2012
Upper Tribunal Lands Chamber	2015	2012
Upper Tribunal Administrative Appeals Chamber	2015	2012
Upper Tribunal Tax and Chancery Chamber	2015	2012
Admiralty Court	2015	2012
Employment Appeal Tribunal	2015	2012

Crown Court	Currently published lists	N/A
Royal Courts of Justice - Listings	2019	N/A
<b>REPUBLIC OF IRELAND</b>		
Supreme Court - Appeals from High Court	Complete Archive	
Court of Appeal - Appeals from High Court	Complete Archive	
High Court	Complete Archive	
Circuit Court Civil	Feb 2017	
Judgments of the Superior Courts	Complete Archive	
Circuit Court Criminal	2 months	
<b>OTHER DATA SOURCES</b>		
Companies House - UK	Complete Archive	
Companies Registration Office - IRL	Complete Archive	

*\*NOTE: See below for example of formatted results*

#### **Q: WHAT OTHER SEARCH SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE?**

**A:** Courtsdesk offers other data and software solutions, providing very large search and analytics of the courts and companies, and a self-search online web portal for research in the Republic of Ireland.

*Courtsdesk Document Retrieval* - another service that can be provided through Courtsdesk Searcher is the retrieval of HMCTS documents. If there are documents relating to the name or company you requested to be searched, they will be detailed within the results returned to you (view the sample below to see what you can expect). The cost per document outlined by HMCTS must be covered as well as an additional £30 retrieval fee which covers the retrieval of ten documents. To request documents, simply email [seacher@courtsdesk.com](mailto:seacher@courtsdesk.com).

*Courtsdesk Data Services* - provides reports on larger numbers of entities, or on corporates which have large volumes of litigation. Data solutions include live API services, and bespoke data investigations. Contact [sales@courtsdesk.com](mailto:sales@courtsdesk.com) and a support agent can help.

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