

**Citation Rules for the Law and Justice  
Sectors in Nepal  
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## **Preface**

This CiRu-Nepal is the standard that allows one writer to refer to legal or judicial authorities with appropriate accuracy to follow references. The central function of this CiRu-Nepal is to allow the reader to efficiently locate the cited sources and to acknowledge and attribute to the author who has already contributed in the concerned field. The rule of citation also helps to maintain honesty in the academic writing and credits to the concerned authors.

This CiRu-Nepal is prepared by the National Judicial Academy of Nepal to make uniform system of citation of Nepali law and justice sector publications in close coordination with Supreme Court of Nepal, the Office of the Attorney General, Ministry of Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs, Tribhuvan University, Faculty of Law, Purbanchal University, Kathmandu School of Law, Kathmandu University School of Law, Purbanchal University Chakrabarti HaBi Education Academy, National Law College and Nepal Bar Association. NJA-Nepal would like to extend sincere thanks to all organizations and institutions who have entrusted NJA-Nepal to lead preparing this rule and provided their supports and inputs while preparing and finalizing this CiRu-Nepal.

This is the first attempt of Nepali legal and judicial sector rules for citation which is based on A Uniform System of Citation: The Bluebook. This may consist of many shortcomings which may be added and corrected in the next editions. You are free to provide us feedbacks or share your experiences with us while following this rule. We will be happy receive your feedbacks and will be helpful to incorporate in the next editions. This set of rules do not necessarily limit to Nepali law and justice sectors, may be followed beyond Nepali law and justice sectors.

Thank you!

National Judicial Academy, Nepal

## **General rule of citation**

**Rule no. 1:** In any case these Citation Rules for the Law and Justice Sectors in Nepal do not specify the citation rule and makes any individual confused, citation rule mentioned in the latest edition of A Uniform System of Citation: The Bluebook should be followed.

**Rule no. 2:** In case any books, journals, or publications or materials specify their citation rule, they should be cited accordingly, and these citation rule do not need to follow.

**Rule no. 3:** Generally, the name of the author should be normal font, name of the article should be in italic and name of the book/Journal/Newspaper etc. should be in UPPERCASE.

**Rule no. 4:** The full name of the author should be mentioned in the materials while citing, however, if there is title before the author's name such as Dr., Advocate, Justice, they should not be mentioned as such, only full name of the author should be mentioned.

**Rule no. 5:** In case citation rule mentioned in one rule conflicts with another rule of these Rules, simple rule or appropriate rule should be followed.

**Rule no. 6:** There should be uniformity in the use of fonts such as normal font, italic font, uppercase font etc. and also should be used the rule of uniformity in comma, full stop, space etc. while doing in citation in any writings.

**Rule no. 7:** If the title of a book/article or other materials are in other than English script, then it should be translated into English and in the bracket the original title in English without its translation should be written.

## Citation rules in specific situations

### Rule No. 1

#### Citation to authored book:

An authored book is one that has been written by one or more authors.

##### a) Citation of book by a single author

- Full name of the author
- TITLE OF THE BOOK
- Page cited
- Name of the publisher, Edition if available, Year of publication)

Example: Amartya Sen, THE IDEA OF JUSTICE 23 (The Belknap Press of Harvard University Press Cambridge, 2009)

##### b) Citation of book by two authors

- Full name of the first author & full name of the second author
- TITLE OF THE BOOK
- Page cited
- (Name of the publisher, Edition if available, Year of publication)

Example: Nicholas D. Kristof & Sheryl Weddun, HALF THE SKY: TURNING OPPRESSION INTO OPPORTUNITY FOR WOMEN WORLDWIDE 47 (Alfred A. Knopf, 2009)

##### c) Citation of book by three or more authors

- Full name of the first author
- et. al,
- TITLE OF THE BOOK
- Page cited
- (Name of the publisher, Edition if available, Year of publication)

Example: Rebecca J. Cook et al., REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH AND HUMAN RIGHTS: INTEGRATING MEDICINE, ETHICS, AND LAW 8 (Oxford University Press Inc., 1<sup>st</sup> ed., 2003)

##### d) Citation of book by institutional author

- Full name of the institutional author
- TITLE OF THE BOOK
- Page cited
- (Edition if available, Year of publication)

Example: City of New Heaven, RECYCLE NOW NEW HEAVEN 67 (1991)

**e) Citation of book in which individual author is credited on behalf of the institution**

- Individual author's full name
- TITLE OF THE BOOK
- Page cited
- Institutional author's full name
- (Edition if available, Year of publication)

Example: Mahesh Sharma Puadel, HUMAN RIGHTS AND SOCIAL JUSTICE (Maanab Adhikar Tatha Samajik Nyaya) 13 National Judicial Academy, Nepal, (2010)

**Rule No. 2**

**Citation to Works in Collection**

It is a collection of works of various authors and publishers in a single book form.

**a) Work by various authors**

- Full Name of the Author
- *Title of the Shorter Work*
- *in*
- FULL NAME OF THE COLLECTION
- Pages cited
- Name of the editor
- (Name of the publisher, Edition if available, Year of publication)

Example: Andrew Durbach, *The Right to Legal Aid in Social Rights Litigation*, in SOCIAL RIGHTS JURISPRUDENCE: EMERGING TRENDS IN INTERNATIONAL AND COMPARATIVE LAW 59, Malcom Langford ed., (Cambridge University Press 2008)

**Rule No. 3**

**Citation to Journal**

It is a legal journal that deals with particular subject or professional articles.

**a) Citation of a journal article generally**

- Full name of the author
- *Title of the Article*
- Volume number
- NAME OF THE JOURNAL
- Page on which the article cited
- Name of the editor
- Name of the office/Publisher

- Year of publication

Example: Diwakar Bhatta, *Private Prosecution: A Context of Supplementary Action to an Inherently Government Power and Private Enforcement of Criminal Law under the Penal Code, 2074 BS*, Vol. 4, PROSECUTION JOURNAL 193 (Rebatiraj Tripathee and et al. eds.) The Office of the Attorney General, Nepal, 2018.

#### **Rule No. 4**

##### **Citation to Newspaper**

It is a newspaper that reports on daily basis or reports or carries as news or opinion of certain time interval.

##### **a) Citation to newspaper article**

- Full Name of the Author
- *Title of the Article*
- Name of the newspaper
- Date of the newspaper
- at
- Page Number

Example: Purushottam P. Khatri, *Capital Valley, Other Cities Face Constant Air Pollution Hazards*, THE RISING NEPAL, Dec. 19, 2021 at 1.

##### **b) Citation to Online newspaper article**

- Full Name of the Author
- *Title of the Article*
- Abbreviation of the Newspaper
- Date of the news published
- URL
- Accessed date

Example: Bijeesh Budhathoki, *Fake news during Covid-19 crisis may lead kids to trauma. Here's what psychologists have to say*, Online Khabar (EN), March 25, 2020, <https://english.onlinekhabar.com/fake-news-during-covid-19-crisis-may-lead-kids-to-trauma-heres-what-psychologists-have-to-say.html> (Accessed on Mar. 27, 2020)

#### **Rule 5**

##### **Citation to Constitution, Statutes and Rules**

##### **a) Citation to the Constitution generally**

- Name of the country in short form
- Constitution abbreviation



- (Year in AD)
- Article
- Clause

Example: U.S. CONST. (1787) Art.1

**b) Citation to Nepali Constitution generally**

- Name of the Constitution
- (Year in AD)
- Article
- Clause

Example: NEP. CONST., (2015), Art.1, Cl.2

**c) Citation to Preamble of the Constitution**

- Name of the Constitution
- (Year in AD)
- Short form of the Preamble

Example: NEP. CONST., (2015), pmb1

**d) Citation to Amendment to the Constitution**

- Name of the Constitution
- (Year in AD)
- Article
- Clause
- (Date of Amendment of the Constitution)

Example: NEP. CONST. (2015), Art.1, Cl.2 (Amended ....)

**e) Citation to Repealed Constitution**

- Name of the Constitution
- (Year in AD)
- Article
- Clause
- (Date of Repeal of the Constitution in AD)

Example: NEP. CONST. (2015), Art.1, Cl.2 (Repealed ....)

**f) Citation to Statutes generally**

- Name of the country in short form
- Full Name of the Statute
- Year in AD
- Specific Section

Example: UK, Human Rights Act, 1998 S. 3

**g) Citation to the Nepali Statutes**

- Full Name of the Statute
- Year in AD
- Specific Section Cited

Example: The Act Relating to Children, 2018, S. 3.

**h) Citation to Nepali Regulations**

- Full Name of the Regulation
- Year in AD
- Specific Rules Cited

Example: Labour Regulation, 2018, R. 16

**Rule No. 6**  
**Citation to the Nepali Codes**

**a) Citation of the Codes**

- *Name of the Code*
- Year in AD
- *Chapter of the Code*
- Section

Example: *National Penal Code, 2017*, Offences against National and Public Heritages, S. 147.

**b) Citation to Amendment to the *National Penal Code***

- *National Penal Code*
- Year in AD
- Chapter of the National Penal Code
- Section if applicable
- (Introduced through .... amendment)

Example: *National Penal Code, 2017*, Offences against Public Tranquility, S. 73 (The Amendment by Act Amendment to the Some Nepali Statutes Relating to National Penal Code, 2018)

**c) Citation to Draft Civil Code and Penal Code**

- Full Name of the Code
- (Year of the Publication of the Code in AD)
- Name of the Chapter
- Number

Example: The Bill of Civil Code, 2010, Preliminary Statement No. 2(a)

**Rule No. 7**

**Citation to Civil and Penal Code generally**

This rule is applicable civil and penal codes of other countries.

**a) Citation to Codes generally**

- Full Name of the Code
- [English Translation of the Name of the Code]
- [Abbreviation of the Code if applicable]
- Year of Publication according to local calendar
- [Year in AD]
- Article/Sections(s) cited
- Country abbreviation if not evident to the Context

Example: QANUNI MADANI [CIVIL CODE] Teheran 1935, Arts. 656-83 (Iran).

**Rule No. 8**

**Citation to Gazette**

**a) Citation to Gazette generally**

- Gazette
- Volume No.
- Part
- (Date of Publication in AD)
- (Name of the Country)

Example: Gazette Notification for Panic Button and Global Positioning System Facility in Mobile Phone Handsets, Part II (Apr. 22,2016) (India).

**b) Citation to the Nepal Gazette**

**For regular number of Nepal Rajpatra (नियमित अंक)**

- Nepal Gazette
- Part
- (Date of Publication in AD)
- Number

Example: Nepal Gazette, Part 71 (Apr. 19, 2021) Number 1

**For extra number of Nepal Rajpatra (अतिरिक्तांक)**

- Nepal Gazette
- Part
- (Date of Publication in AD)
- Extra Number

Example: Nepal Gazette, Part 71 (Apr. 19, 2021) Extra Number 2

**Rule No. 9**  
**Citation to Reported Cases**

**a) Citation of Cases Reported in Nepal Kanoon Patrika**

- Published Source
- Published year in BS
- Decision No.
- Page(s) cited

Example: N.K.P., 2067 BS, Decision No. 8337, P. 499

**b) Citation to Cases Published in the Supreme Court Bulletin**

- Published Source
- Published year in BS
- Nepali Month with Vol. 1 or 2
- Page(s) cited

Example: SC Bulletin, 2077 BS, Chaitra Vol. 1, P. 1

**Rule No. 10**  
**Citation of Non-Reported Cases**

- *Name of the Parties of the Case*
- Writ or Appeal Number
- (Court and Date of Decision in AD)
- Page(s) cited

Example: *Manju Tamang & others v. Prime Minister and Council of Ministers & others*, 070-WO-0194 (SC Aug. 7, 2017), P. 20

**Rule No. 11**  
**Citation of Manual**

The manual may be of different types and natures, especially the manual means a book one gives information or instructions

**a) Citation of Manual generally**

- Name of the Organization Publishing the Manual in Abbreviation
- *Title of the Manual*
- Pages cited
- Year

Example: OHCHR, *Training Manual on Human Rights Monitoring*, 82, (2001).

**b) Citation of Manual Published in Nepali Language**

- English Translation of the Office Publishing the Manual
- *Translation of the Title of the Manual Published*
- [English Translation of the Title of the Manual]
- Pages cited
- (Year in AD)

Example: Office of the Attorney General, Nepal, *Sarkari Wakil Digdarshan* (Prosecutor's Manual) 20 (2013)

## **Rule No. 12**

### **Citation of Unpublished Works**

#### **a) Citation of Theses / Dissertation**

- Name of the Researcher
- *Title of the Thesis/ Dissertation*
- Pages cited
- (Date of Submission of the Dissertation)
- (Unpublished, Level for which the Dissertation/Thesis is submitted, Name of the Institution, Name of the University)

Example: Renu Ghimire, *The Effectiveness of Truth and Reconciliation Commission in Post - Conflict Situation in Nepal* 13 (Jul. 4, 2016) (unpublished Master's thesis. Tribhuwan University). (On file with the Nepal Law Campus Library, Tribhuwan University)

#### **b) Citation of Manuscript**

- Full Name of the Author
- Title of the Article
- Pages cited/Pinpoint Cite
- (Full Date of the Manuscript)
- (Unpublished manuscript)
- (Where it can be found)

Example: Rebecca J. Simmons, Commercial and Cooperative Banks in Soviet Union: Unofficial Responses to Official Paralysis 25 (Oct. 15, 1990) (unpublished manuscript) (on file with the Columbia Law Review)

#### **c) Working Paper**

- Full Name of the Author
- *Title of the Working Paper*
- *Span* of Citation
- (Name of the Sponsoring Organization, Working Paper Designation and Number, Year)

Example: Alan J. Auerbach & Laurence J. Kotlikoff, *National Savings, Economic Welfare, and Structure of Taxation* 24-33 (Nat'l Bureau of Econ. Research, Working Paper No.729, 1981)

**Rule No. 13**  
**Citation to Speeches and Addresses**

**a) Citation of Speech or Address when the Designation of the Speaker is clearly mentioned:**

- Designation of the Speaker with Name
- Context of the Speech
- (Date of the Program)

Example: Chief Justice Dilip Kumar Paudel, Remarks at the Workshop on Effective Implementation of Laws and Institutional Mechanism to Combat Trafficking of Women and Children in Nepal (Aug.14,2005)

**b) Citation of Speech or Address when it has been transcribed but not published, include the location of the transcript in the second parenthetical:**

- Name of the Speaker
- Context of the Speech
- Date of the Program
- (Location where the transcript is available)

Example: Herbert Wechsler, Remarks at the Meeting of the Bar of the Supreme Court of the United States in Memory of Chief Justice Stone (Nov. 12, 1947) (transcript available in the Columbia Law School Library).

**Rule No. 14**  
**Citation to Interview**

**a) Citation of in-person interview which the author has not personally conducted**

- Interview by Full Name of the Interviewer
- with
- Full Name of the Interviewee
- Title of the Interviewee
- Location of the Interview
- (Date of the Interview)

Example: Interview by Ghanashyam Khadka with Rt. Hon. Chief Justice Sushila Karki in Ramshahpath, Kathmandu (Aug. 22, 2016).

**b) Citation to Telephone Interview**

- Telephone Interview with Full Name of the Interviewee
- Title of the Interviewee
- Institutional Affiliation of the Interviewee if any
- Date of the Interview

Example: Telephone Interview with Kunt Dorman, (Dec. 12, 2015)

**Rule No. 15**  
**Citation of Electronic Media**

**a) Citation of Films**

**Commercial Purpose**

**a) Films**

Commercially distributed films or television programs are cited as below:

- TITLE
- (Studio Year).

Example: LADY IN THE VAN (TriStar Pictures 2015).

**b) Citation of TV Programs**

- *Title*
- (TV Channel Date, Year)

Example: *Hard Talk* (BBC 19 Aug., 2016)

**c) Podcast and Recordings Available Online**

- *Title of the Podcast*
- *Indication of its availability*
- SOURCE IT IS AVAILABLE
- (Accessed date)
- URL

Example: *Jenny Matthews, Older women in the workplace, A woman as UN Secretary-General, Online*, BBC RADIO 4, Available at <http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b07pd4rj> (Accessed on Aug. 23, 2016).

**d) Non-Commercial Videos**

- Medium:
- Title (person or institution that produced it Year)
- (Location of file).

Example: Video: Romney Swift Debate 2003 (Suffolk Law School Media Services 2003) (on file with Suffolk Law School media services).

**e) Youtube Videos**

- Full Name of the Creator of the Video as the Author
- *Title of the Video*
- (Accessed date)
- URL

Example: Aneel Neupane, *Bob*, available at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RkEv0MWM-7E> (Accessed on Aug. 23 2016).

**Rule No. 16**  
**Citation of Internet Resources**

**a) Direct Citation to Internet Sources**

- Full Name of the Author and Organization if available
- *Title of the Page*
- Date)
- URL

Example: D. Andrew Austin & Mindy R. Levit, Cong. Research Serv., *The Debt Limit: History and Recent Increases*, available at <http://fpc.state.gov/documents/organization/213995.pdf>. (Accessed on Aug. 27, 2013).

**b) Parallel Citation to Internet Sources**

- Name of the Author
- *Title of the Article*
- Page Cited
- Abbreviated Name of the Journal
- URL
- (Date of access)

Example: Marcel Kahan & Edward B. Rock, *Corporate Constitutionalism: Antitakeover Charter Provision as Pre- Commitment*, 152 U.P.A.L.REV, available at <http://ssrn.com/abstract=416605> (Accessed on Aug. 15, 2021)

**Rule No. 17**  
**Citation of Plans**

**a) Citation of Five-Year Economic Plan**

- FULL NAME OF THE PLAN
- Of Country (If the Name of the Country Devising the Plan is not clear to the Full Name of the Plan)
- (Starting Year-End Year in AD)
- (On Title related to Chapter) at Page Cited

Example: THREE YEAR INTERIM PLAN of Nepal (2007-2010) *on (Empowerment of Women and Gender Equality related to Gender Mainstreaming and Inclusion)* at 100.

**b) Citation of Strategic Plan**

- FULL NAME OF THE STRATEGIC PLAN
- Country (only if it is not clear in the Full Name of the Plan)
- (Starting Year – End Year in AD)
- Page Cited

Example: SECOND FIVE-YEAR STRATEGIC PLAN OF THE NEPALI JUDICIARY



(2009-2014) 23.

**Rule No. 18**  
**Citation of Policy**

This is a policy of the government or of institutions or organizations.

- NAME OF THE POLICY
- (Year in AD)
- Title Cited
- Point Number/ Paragraph Number (if applicable)

Example: Climate Change Policy (2010 AD) *Need of New Policy*, point a.

**Rule No. 19**  
**Citation of Ordinance**

**a) Citation of Ordinance Generally**

- Name of the Ordinance
- (Year according to Local Calendar if applicable)
- (Year in AD)
- Specific Section Cited
- (Abbreviated Name of the Country)

Example: INCOME TAX ORDINANCE (2001) S. 2(a) (Pakistan).

**b) Citation of Nepali Ordinance**

- NAME OF THE ORDINANCE in Nepali
- [TRANSLATED NAME OF THE ORDINANCE IN ENGLISH]
- (Year in AD)
- Specific Section Cited

Example: ARTHIK ADHYADESH [BUDGET ORDINANCE] (2013 AD) S.3.

**Rule No. 20**  
**Citation of Annual Reports**

**a) Citation of Annual Reports Generally**

- FULL NAME OF THE REPORT
- (Name of the Institution/Organization)
- (YEAR in AD)
- Page Cited

Example: STATE OF WORLD'S HUMAN RIGHTS (Amnesty International) (2014/2015 AD) 267.

**b) Citation of Annual Reports Published in Nepal**

- FULL NAME OF THE REPORT in Nepali (if applicable)
- [TRANSLATED VERSION OF THE NAME OF THE REPORT in English]
- (Name of the Institution/Organization)

- (Year in AD)
- Page cited

Example: RASTRIYA NYAYIK PRATHISTHAN KO BARSIK PRATIBEDHAN [ANNUAL REPORT OF NATIONAL JUDICIAL ACADEMY] (National Judicial Academy) (2014-2015 AD) 8.

### **Rule No. 21** **Citation of Compendium of Judgments**

#### **a) Citation of Compendium generally**

- Name of the Case
- NAME OF THE COMPENDIUM
- Volume, if applicable
- Part, if applicable
- (Court and Jurisdiction, Year or date of Decision)
- (Year in AD)
- Year of Publication of the Compendium in AD.

Example: *Tek Tamrakar and Others V HMG Cabinet Secretariat and Others*, THE LANDMARK DECISIONS OF THE SUPREME COURT, NEPAL ON GENDER JUSTICE (SC 2003) 2010.

#### **b) Citation of Opinion Conferred Case**

- *Subject of Opinion*
- Directive Number
- (Year in AD)
- Type of Bench rendering the decision
- Date of Decision Rendered

Example: *Opinion Sought Regarding the Formation of Commission of Inquiry to Investigate about the Dasdunga Incident*, Constitutional Directive No. 1 (1994 AD), Special Bench.

### **Rule No. 22** **Citation of Formation Orders**

Note: Formation Order shall be cited like the Statutes.

### **Rule No. 23** **Citation of Dictionary**

It includes dictionary, thesaurus, glossary, word meaning etc.

#### **a) Citation of Dictionary generally**

- NAME OF THE DICTIONARY
- Page Cited
- (Edition. Year in AD)

Example: BLACK'S LAW DICTIONARY 427 (9th ed. 2009)

**b) Citation of Nepali Dictionary**

- NAME OF THE DICTIONARY in Nepali
- [ENGLISH TRANSLATION OF THE NAME]
- Page Cited
- (Edition, Year in AD)

Example: NEPALI BRIHAT SABDAKOSH [EXTENSIVE NEPALI DICTIONARY] 56 (1st ed.1988)

**Rule No. 24**

**Citation of International Materials**

It includes bilateral and multilateral treaties, case laws of different international tribunals, opinions, UN Resolutions, declarations, principles, conventions, comments, reports etc.

**a) Citation of Treaties**

1. Citation of Bilateral Treaties

- Name of the Agreement
- Abbreviated Name of the Parties to Agreement
- Date of Signing
- One U.S Treaty Source

Example: Convention for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Taxes on Estates, Inheritances and Gifts, U.S.-Fr., Nov. 24, 1978, 32 U.S.T. 1935.

2. Citation of Multilateral Treaties

- Name of the Agreement
- Subdivision Cited
- Date of Signing
- One U.S. Treaty Source
- One International Treaty Source

Example: North Atlantic Treaty art.5, Apr.4, 1949, 63 Stat.2241, 34 U.N.T.S. 243.

3. Citation of Convention Published by an International Organization

- Name of the Organization
- Name of the Convention
- Date of Signing
- International Treaty Source

Example: United Nations Convention on Law of the Sea, Dec. 10, 1982, 1833, U.N.T.S.123.

**b) Citation of International Law Cases**

1. Cases Decided by International Court of Justice and Permanent Court of International Justice

- Case Name

- Name of the Parties, if any
- Type of Court Document (Preliminary Objection, Provisional Measure, Advisory Opinion etc.)
- Volume and the Name of the Publication on which the Case is found.

Examples: Reservation to the Convention on Prevention and Punishment of Crime of Genocide, Advisory Opinion, 1951 ICJ 15 (May 28).

Diversion of Water to Meuse (Neth. v. Belg.), 1937 P.C.I.J. (ser. A/B) No.70 at 7 (June 28)

## 2. European Union Courts

- Name of the Parties
- Volume Number
- Reporter
- Page Number
- Year

Example: *Papon v. France* (No.2) 2001-XII Eur. Ct. H.R.

## 3. Inter - American Court of Human Rights

- Case Name
- Volume Number
- The Series
- Case Number
- Page Number, if needed
- Date

Examples:

### **Advisory Opinions:**

Restrictions to the Death Penalty (Arts. 4(2) and 4(4) American Convention on Human Rights), Advisory Opinion OC-3/83, Inter-Am. Ct. H.R. (ser. A) No. 3 para. 70 (Sept. 8, 1983).

### **Contentious Cases:**

*Baldeon-Garcia v. Peru*, Merits, Reparations, and Costs, Judgment, Inter-Am. Ct. H.R. (ser. C) No. 147, para.169 (Apr. 6, 2006).

## 4. Inter - American Commission on Human Rights

- Case Name
- The Case Number
- Volume Name
- Report Number (Year of Decision, Series and Docket Number,
- Paragraph Number, if applicable,
- Year of the Reporter

Example: *Tortrino v. Argentina*, Case 11.597, Inter -Am. Comm'n H.R., Report No.7/98, OEA/Ser. L./V/II.98, doc.7 rev. para 15(1997).

Note: If the Official Reporter is not yet available, cite the official website of the Commission (<http://www.cidh.org>)

5. International Tribunal for Law of the Sea

- Case Name
- (Name of the Parties in Parenthetical phrase abbreviated as per T10 of the Bluebook Citation Guide 19<sup>th</sup> Edition)
- Case Number
- Type of Ruling and Date
- Volume Number
- Name of Publication
- Page Number
- Paragraph Number, if available

Example: M/V Saiga (No.2) (*St. Vincent v. Guinea*), Case No.2, Order of Jan. 20, 1998, 2 ITLOS Rep. 4, 5.

Note: Cite the official website of ITLOS if the print version of the decision is not available.

6. International Criminal Tribunals

- Case Name
- Case Number
- Type of Ruling
- Paragraph Number, if necessary
- Date

Example: *Prosecutor v. Tadic*, Case No. IT 94-1-I, Decision on Defense Motion for Interlocutory Appeal on Jurisdiction, para. 70 (Int'l Crim. Trib. for the Former Yugoslavia Oct.2, 1995).

Note: Cite the cases only found in the official website of the Tribunals using the citation format of internet resources.

7. Other Multi- National Courts

- Name of the Parties to the Case
- Volume Number of the Law Report or Digest
- (Name of the Court, Year of Decision)

Example: *Loomba v. Food and Agric. Org. of the United Nations*, 47 I.L.R. 382 (Int'l Lab. Org. Admin. Trib.1970)

**c) United Nations Materials**

**Resolutions:**

1. General Assembly Resolutions

- a) Citation of General Assembly Resolutions Generally:
- Abbreviated form of General Assembly Resolution

- Session Number/Resolution Number

Example: G.A. Res. 47/1.

b) General Assembly Resolutions Published in the Supplements to Official Record (GAOR):

- Abbreviated form of General Assembly Resolution
- Session Number/Resolution Number
- Supplement Number of the Official Record
- Document Number of the Resolution
- at
- Page Cited
- (Date of adoption of the Resolution)

Example: GA Res. 832(IX), U.N. GAOR, 9<sup>th</sup> Sess., Supp. No. 21, U.N. Doc. A/2890 at 19 (Oct.21 1954)

c) General Assembly Resolution Known by Popular Names:

- Title of the Resolution
- General Assembly Resolution Number
- UN Document Symbol
- (Date of Adoption of the Resolution)

Example: Universal Declaration of Human Rights, GA Res. 217(III) A, UN Doc. A/RES/217 (III)(Dec.10,1948).

d) Citation to the Electronic Version of the Resolution

- Abbreviated Form of General Assembly Resolution
- Session Number/Resolution Number
- Paragraph Cited
- UN Document Symbol
- Date of Adoption of the Resolution

Example: G.A. Res. 47/1, para.2, U.N. Doc. A/RES/47/1 (Sept. 22, 1992).

2. Security Council Resolutions

a) Citation to Security Council Resolutions Generally

- Abbreviated Form of Security Council Resolution
- Resolution Number

Example: S.C. Res.1325

b) Citation to the Official Record

- Abbreviated Form of Security Council Resolution
- Resolution Number
- Paragraph Cited
- Official Record of the Security Council

- U. N. Document Symbol
- at
- Page Number
- Date of adoption of the Resolution

Example: S.C. Res. 508, para.3, U.N. SCOR, 37<sup>th</sup> Year, U.N. Doc. S/INF/38, at 5 (June 5, 1982).

c) Citation to the Electronic Version of the Security Council Resolution

- Abbreviated Form of Security Council Resolution
- Resolution Number
- Paragraph Cited
- U. N. Document Symbol
- Date of Adoption of the Resolution

Example: S.C. Res. 1325, para. 8, U.N. Doc. S/RES/1325 (Oct. 31,2000).

3. Resolutions issued by other Organs

Note: Resolution adopted by other Organs of the United Nations shall be cited exactly in the same manner as the GA and SC Resolutions.

Example: E.S.C Res. 1990/26, U.N. Doc. E/RES/1990/90 (May 24, 1990)

**Reports:**

1. Reports by Subsidiary Organ to Parent Organs

- Title of the Report
- Name of the Body
- Session Number
- Dates of the Session
- Pinpoint Cite, if any
- Document Symbol
- Official Record Supplement Number
- Date of Publication

Example: U.N. S.C. Rep. of Security Council, Aug.1, 2007- July 31, 2008, U.N. Doc. A/63/2; GAOR, 63<sup>rd</sup> Sess., Supp. No.2 (2008).

2. Reports from Secretary General to other officials

- Author of the Report
- Title of the Report
- Pinpoint Cite, if any
- Body to which the document is delivered
- Document Symbol
- Date of Publication
- (Name of the Personal Author, if any)

Example: Special Rapporteur on the Expulsion of Aliens, *Fourth Rep. on the Expulsion of Aliens*, Int'l Law Comm'n, U.N. Doc. A/CN.4/594 (Mar. 24, 2008) (by Maurice Kamto).

### 3. Reports to Conferences

- Conference Name
- Name of the Particular Meeting of the Conference (Only if the Conference is in a series)
- Place of the Conference (Omit this if the Conference is held at the headquarter of the Organizing Agency)
- Date of Conference
- Dates of the Conference
- Report Title
- Pinpoint Cite, if any
- Document Symbol, if available
- Official Document Date (If it is different from the Conference Date)

Example: United Nations Conference on Environment and Development, Rio de Janeiro, Braz., June 3-14, 1992, *Rio Declaration on Environment and Development*, U.N. Doc. A/CONF.151/26/Rev.1(Vol. I), Annex I (Aug. 12,1992).

### **Sales Publication:**

- Author, if available
- Title
- Pages Cited or Paragraph Cited
- Document Symbol
- Sales Number
- Year

Example: U.N. OFFICE OF THE HIGH COMM'R FOR HUMAN RIGHTS, INTERNATIONAL LEGAL PROTECTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN ARMED CONFLICT, U.N. Doc. HR/PUB/11/1, U.N. Sales No. E.11.XIV.3 (2011).

### **UN Press Releases and Memoranda:**

- Type of the Document
- Organ of UN Issuing the Document
- Title of the Document
- Document Symbol
- Date

Example: Press Release, Security Council, Security Council Takes Up Report on Diamonds, Arms in Sierra Leone; Expert Panel Says Council Sanctions Broken 'with Impunity'. UN Press Release SC/6997 (Jan. 25,2001).

### **d) World Trade Organization Materials**

#### **WTO Panel and Appellate Body Materials:**

Panel Report and Appellate Body Report shall be cited by their official document symbol:

- Panel Report/Appellate Body Report, whichever is relevant
- *Full Name of the Report*
- Paragraph Cited



- Document Symbol
- Date

Examples: Panel Report, *United States- Sections 301-310 of the Trade Act of 1974*, WT/DS 152/R(Dec.22,1999) [hereinafter Section 301 Panel Report].

Appellate Body Report, *Brazil-Export Financing Programme for Aircraft*, para. 19, WT/DS 46/AB/R (Aug.2,1999).

### **General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) Panel Decisions:**

While Citing General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade Panel Decisions cite to Basic Instruments and Selected Documents (B.I.S.D), if therein.

- Title
- Case Number, if listed
- Document Date
- Ordinal Number of the Supplement (Annual Volume)
- Page
- Year of Publication

Example: Report of the Panel, *Restrictions on the Imports of Certain Agricultural Products*, para. 5.2.2, L/6253 (Feb.2,1988), GATT B.I.S.D(35th Supp.) at 163,229 (1989).

### **Citation to Reports from WTO Secretariat and Other Bodies**

Note: Cite Reports from WTO Secretariat and other bodies like the reports from the UN Agencies.

Example: GATT Secretariat, *An Analysis of Proposed Uruguay Round Agreement, with Particular Emphasis on Aspects of Interest to Developing Countries*. MTN.TNC/W/122 (Nov.29, 1993).

### **Founding Agreements**

- Full Name of the Founding Agreement
- Date
- International Treaty Source
- [hereinafter Abbreviated Name of the Founding Agreement]

Example: Marrakesh Agreement Establishing World Trade Organization, Apr. 15, 1994, 1867 U.N.T.S. 154 [hereinafter Marrakesh Agreement].

### **e) International Committee of the Red Cross and International Non-Governmental Organizations**

Note: Citation to the materials produced by the International Organizations may be done in the same manner as the UN Documents are cited.

- Name of the Organization (Abbreviation of the Name of the Organization)
- Title of the Document
- Document Number, if any
- Date

Example: IAEA, Assessment of Members' Contributions to the Regular Budget, Gen. Conf. Res. 434, IAEA Doc. GC(XXVIII)/RES/434 (Sept. 28,1984).

## **Rule No. 25 Use of Signals**

### **(a) Signals that indicate support**

1. *E.g.*, To cite one of the multiple sources of citation where citing all of them would be superfluous. *E.g.*, may be used alone or with other signals. When used with the other symbols, it should begin with and end with a non-italicized comma.
2. *Accord* To cite two or more sources that state or clearly support the writer's proposition, but the text quotes or refers to only one; the other source may then be introduced by "accord." "Accord" is also used to cite the law of one country with the other.
3. *See* Cited authority clearly supports the proposition. *See* is used instead of no signal in cases when the proposition is not directly stated by the cited authority but follows to it.
4. *See also* Cited authority constitutes additional source material that supports the proposition
5. *Cf.* Cited authority supports a proposition different to the main proposition but sufficiently analogous to lend support. The use of "*cf.*" which means to compare will be clear to the reader if it is explained. Parenthetical brief explanation of the use is therefore suggested.

### **b) Signals that suggest a useful comparison**

1. *Compare...*  
*[and] with [and]* Comparison of the authorities cited will support for or illustrate the proposition. When used as a signal "*Compare*" must be used with "*with*" and before "*with*" a comma is used.

### **c) Signals that indicate contradiction**

1. *Contra* Cited authority directly states the contrary of the proposition. "Contra" is used where [no signal] is used for support. The typeface for "contra" is exactly the same as "*see*"
2. *But see* Cited authority clearly supports the proposition contrary to the main proposition. "But see" is used in situation exactly opposite to the use of "*see*".
3. *But cf.* Cited authority supports a proposition analogous to the contrary of the main proposition

### **d) Signals that indicates background material**

1. *See generally* Cited authority presents helpful background material related to the proposition. The use of a parenthetical explanation of the source material;

## **Rule No. 26 Subsequent Citations**

### **a) Subsequently citing exactly what has been cited just above**

- Use *Id.*
- b) Subsequently citing the same authority in a Different Page Number**
- Use *Id.*, Page Cited.

Example: *Id.*, 78.

- c) Citing the authority which has been cited in one of the footnotes above the Subsequent citation when the author has crossed the earlier citation by something in the middle**
- Surname of the Author, *supra* note, at Page Number.

Example: Acharaya & Bhandari, *supra*note 3, at 43.

Note: In case of Constitution and International conventions and treaties, the full citation should be made as it is cited 1<sup>st</sup> time.

**d) Using Hereinafter**

- Full Name of the Convention [hereinafter the Abbreviated Name of the Convention].

Example: Geneva Convention Relative to the Protection of Civilian Persons in Time of War [hereinafter Geneva Convention IV].