- Search Tips

**Sample Queries**

- law firm mergers
  - Google give you pages with the words **law AND firm AND mergers**
- “statute of frauds”
  - the phrase **“statute of frauds”**
- “statute of limitations” ohio
  - the phrase **“statute of limitations”** AND the word **ohio**
- asbestos mesothelioma or cancer
  - the word **asbestos** AND either the words **mesothelioma** OR **cancer**
- bar -alcohol
  - the word **bar** BUT NOT the word **alcohol**
- net-worth
  - the words **net-worth, net worth or networth**
- define: rico
  - definitions of **RICO - racketeer influence corruptions act**
- tsarnaev trial site:npr.org
  - the words **tsarnaev** and **trial** from the **NPR.org** website
- books American legal history
  - books related to **American AND legal AND history**
- immigration ~guide site:.edu
  - the words **immigration** and both **guide** and its **synonyms** from the **.edu** domain

**Phrase In Quotations** - To search for a phrase, a proper name, or a set of words in a specific order, put them in double quotes.

  Sample Search: **“respondeat superior”** to locate pages containing the phrase respondeat superior.

You may include more than one quoted string in a query. All quoted query phrases must appear on a result page; the implied AND works on both individual words and quoted phrases.

  Sample Search: **“structured settlement” “student loan”** to locate pages containing both phrases.

**Finding Synonyms** - To find synonyms, precede the term with a ~, which is known as the tilde or synonym operator. The tilde (~) operator takes the word immediately following it and searches both for that specific word and for the word’s synonyms. It also searches for the term with alternative endings.

  Sample Search: **~inexpensive** matches “inexpensive,” “cheap,” “affordable,” and “low cost”

**Proximity Searches:** - To search for terms near one another. The AROUND(n) command (around used in uppercase, with a number) searches for search terms close to each other.

  Sample Search: **harassment AROUND(7) workplace or employment**
**But Not** - Add a dash (-) before a word or site to exclude all results that include that word. This is especially useful for words with multiple meanings.

**Sample Searches:**  * jaguar speed -car* the speed of the animal not the car.

* "statutory authority" -site:wikipedia.org* find the phrase statutory authority but exclude the website Wikipedia.

**Domain** - You can search a specific domain type by following your search term with a domain restriction. Just add the "site:" operator followed by your chosen domain.

* .edu = education    .gov = government    .org = non-profit organization;  
  .com = commerce    .mil= military *

**Sample Searches:**  *copyright music site:.edu* to locate educational sites which reference both music and copyright.

*payday loan site:.gov* to find government sites which discuss the perils of payday loans.

- **Advanced Search**

  [www.google.com/advanced_search](http://www.google.com/advanced_search)