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Massachusetts Bar Association Adds Fastcase Legal Research Benefit for Members

***Members Get Free Access to Online Law Library, Leading Visualization Tools,
Mobile Apps and Annotated Statutes***

BOSTON, MA and WASHINGTON, DC (December 1, 2015) – The Massachusetts Bar Association (MBA) and Fastcase today announced the state bar will be providing its members free access to Fastcase’s nationwide legal research system, effective December 1, 2015.

The MBA becomes the 28th state bar to provide access to Fastcase’s online legal research service and its award-winning research tools as a benefit to members at no additional charge.

Beginning December 1, all MBA members will receive unlimited access to one of the largest law libraries in the world. The member benefit is unlimited — with no restrictions on time or number of transactions, unlimited printing, unlimited reference assistance and unlimited customer service included for free. MBA members will receive free access to Fastcase’s extensive legal library, including a newspaper archive, legal forms and a one-stop PACER search of federal filings, as well as Fastcase’s intuitive and smarter legal research tools, training webinars and tutorials, industry-leading mobile apps, and live customer support from members of the Fastcase team. Members will be able to access Fastcase through the MBA website at <http://www.massbar.org> where they can log in with their bar username and password.

“Access to great research tools used to be the exclusive province of the world’s largest firms,” said Ed Walters, Fastcase’s CEO. “Working with the Massachusetts Bar Association, we can bring the smartest legal research tools to everyone — helping lawyers and their clients with increased access to justice.”

Headquartered in Washington, D.C., [Fastcase](http://www.fastcase.com) is the nation’s fastest-growing and most popular legal research service. Many of the nation’s largest law firms and 28 state bar associations have subscribed to Fastcase. More than 800,000 lawyers currently have a subscription to Fastcase, many through their state bar association.

The service ordinarily costs \$995 per year for an individual subscriber, but MBA members will receive Fastcase as a complimentary member benefit. The Fastcase service will be free to members, but it is not a discount legal research service. Fastcase has pioneered the smartest legal research tools in the market, with integrated citation analysis tools, data visualization maps of search results and the first legal research apps for iPhone, iPad and Android devices. The service also includes Bad Law Bot, the first big data service to identify negative citations to judicial opinions.

In addition to its nationwide legal research database, Fastcase's Massachusetts-specific libraries include judicial opinions from the Massachusetts Supreme Court and Courts of Appeals back to 1885, First Circuit decisions starting at 1. F.2d 1, U.S. Supreme Court decisions starting with 1 U.S. 1, statutes, regulations and much more. The service also includes annotated statutes from other states, Fastcase's annotated U.S. Code, transactional access to newspaper articles, federal court filings, and legal forms, and transactional access through HeinOnline to the largest collection of law reviews in the world.

"One of the greatest benefits of belonging to the Massachusetts Bar Association is access to tools and services that strengthen an attorney's practice," said MBA Chief Legal Counsel and Chief Operating Officer Martin W. Healy. "We're pleased to enhance this benefit by providing MBA members free access to Fastcase — one of the largest online legal research libraries, and the top-rated app for attorneys."

Fastcase has gained strong momentum in the legal research market and continues to challenge the incumbents in legal publishing and legal technology. In the American Bar Association's annual tech survey, users have ranked Fastcase [the most popular smartphone app for lawyers every year, including in the 2015 survey](#). From 2010 through 2014, Fastcase was named to the prestigious [EContent 100](#) list of companies that matter most in the digital economy alongside Google, Amazon, Apple and Facebook from 2010-14. The American Association of Law Libraries named Fastcase's integration with HeinOnline its [2014 New Product of the Year](#), and its app for iPhone the [2010 New Product of the Year](#).

About the Massachusetts Bar Association

Incorporated in 1911, the Massachusetts Bar Association is a non-profit organization that serves the legal profession and the public by promoting the administration of justice, legal education, professional excellence and respect for the law. The MBA represents a diverse group of attorneys, judges and legal professionals across the commonwealth. For more information, follow the Massachusetts Bar Association on Twitter at [@MassBar](#) on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/MassBarAssociation>, or visit <http://www.massbar.org>.

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