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1. **Navigate to the BNA IP Search Page**

Bloomberg BNA is the publisher of the United States Patent Quarterly. Examiners have desktop access to the Bloomberg BNA Intellectual Property Law Resource Center search page.

- Click the USPQ link in the Examiner’s Tool Kit, or
- Click START on the lower left of your monitor and enter USPQ in the search box, or
- Go directly to [http://iplaw.bna.com/iplw/](http://iplaw.bna.com/iplw/), or
- Navigate via PTOWeb
  - from the PTOWeb home page, click “Resources”
  - click “STIC (Scientific and Technical Information Center)”
  - click “Legal e-Library”
  - click “USPQ (U.S. Patents Quarterly).”

2. **On the BNA IP Search Page, Search For The Case**

- Enter either the West reporter citation or the USPQ citation in the citation search box, and then click GO. Example: to retrieve *KSR v. Teleflex*, enter either 550 U.S. 398 or 82 USPQ2d 1385 in the search box.
- For more information about using the BNA IP Search Page, consult an ITRP.

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Note: The information on this QRS is excerpted from slides 31 and 32 of the training module titled “Responding to Legal Arguments Part I: Understanding Case Law and the Federal Court System”, which is posted on [http://ptoweb.uspto.gov/patents/exTrain/responding-to-legal-arguments.html](http://ptoweb.uspto.gov/patents/exTrain/responding-to-legal-arguments.html).