

**PUBLICATION UPDATE**

Route to:     \_\_\_\_\_     \_\_\_\_\_     \_\_\_\_\_     \_\_\_\_\_  
                   \_\_\_\_\_     \_\_\_\_\_     \_\_\_\_\_     \_\_\_\_\_

---

# STANDARDIZED CIVIL JURY INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Publication 1275

Release 22

June 2023

---

## HIGHLIGHTS

### ***REVISED AND REPLACED Chapters 2, 5, 7, 9 and 28***

- Release 22 includes a new Comparative Negligence Instruction for use in cases arising from traffic accidents § 5.17. In addition Chapters 5 (Negligence), 7 (Automobile Cases), 9 (Professional Liability), and 28 (D.C. Whistleblower Protection Act) have been revised, including statutory and case law support, commentary, and related references. The instructions in those chapters have been adjusted for clearer flow as well as to provide more accurate and comprehensible expressions of the applicable law.

### **Updated and Improved Instructions, Authorities, and / or Commentary**

- Preamble [*see* § 2.01].
- No Comparative Negligence [*see* § 5.06].
- Contributory Negligence Defined [*see* § 5.15].
- Contributory Negligence—“Parent & Child” Case [*see* § 5.16].
- Reciprocal Duties of Drivers and Pedestrians—Ordinary Care Defined [*see* § 7.01].
- Pedestrian’s Duty When Crossing Streets [*see* § 7.13].
- Professional Liability—

Elements of Claim for Medical and Professional Negligence [*see* § 9.01].

- Elements of the Claim—Liability [*see* § 28.01].
- Definition Of Protected Disclosure [*see* § 28.02].
- Reasonable Belief [*see* § 28.03].
- Gross Mismanagement [*see* § 28.04].
- Gross Misuse or Waste of

Public Resources [*see* § 28.05].

- Abuse of Authority [*see* § 28.06].
- Violation of Law [*see* § 28.07].
- Danger To Public Health or Safety [*see* § 28.08].

### Revised Index

Release 22 also includes a revised comprehensive index to facilitate access to material covered in the text.

---

Matthew Bender provides continuing customer support for all its products:

- Editorial assistance—please consult the “Questions About This Publication” directory printed on the copyright page;
- Customer Service—missing pages, shipments, billing or other customer

service matters, +1.800.833.9844.

- Outside the United States and Canada, +1.937.247.0293, or fax (+1.800.828.8341) or email ([international@bender.com](mailto:international@bender.com));
- Toll-free ordering (+1.800.223.1940) or visit [www.lexisnexis.com/BrowseUs](http://www.lexisnexis.com/BrowseUs).



[www.lexis.com](http://www.lexis.com)

---

---

Copyright © 2023 Matthew Bender & Company, Inc., a member of the LexisNexis Group.  
Publication 1275, Release 22, June 2023

LexisNexis, the knowledge burst logo, and Michie are trademarks of Reed Elsevier Properties Inc., used under license. Matthew Bender is a registered trademark of Matthew Bender Properties Inc.

<b>FILING INSTRUCTIONS</b>
----------------------------

# **Standardized Civil Jury Instructions for the District of Columbia**

---

Publication 1275 Release 22

June 2023

---

**Check  
As  
Done**

- 1. Check the Title page in the front of your present Volume 1. It should indicate that your set is filed through Release Number 21. If the set is current, proceed with the filing of this release. If your set is not filed through Release Number 21, DO NOT file this release. Please call Customer Services at 1-800-833-9844 for assistance in bringing your set up to date.
- 2. This Release Number 22 contains only White Revision pages.
- 3. Circulate the "Publication Update" among those individuals interested in the contents of this release.

**Check**      *Remove Old*  
**As**          Pages Numbered  
**Done**

*Insert New*  
Pages Numbered

*For faster and easier filing, all references are to right-hand pages only.*

## VOLUME 1

### Revision

<input type="checkbox"/>	Title page thru xxi . . . . .	Title page thru xix
<input type="checkbox"/>	2-1 thru 2-29 . . . . .	2-1 thru 2-29
<input type="checkbox"/>	5-1 thru 5-45 . . . . .	5-1 thru 5-47
<input type="checkbox"/>	7-1 thru 7-21 . . . . .	7-1 thru 7-19
<input type="checkbox"/>	9-1 thru 9-23 . . . . .	9-1 thru 9-21
<input type="checkbox"/>	28-1 thru 28-19 . . . . .	28-1 thru 28-19
<input type="checkbox"/>	I-1 thru I-13 . . . . .	I-1 thru I-13

FILE IN THE FRONT OF THE FIRST VOLUME  
OF YOUR SET

To order missing pages log on to our self service center, [www.lexisnexis.com/printcdsc](http://www.lexisnexis.com/printcdsc) or call Customer Services at 1 (800) 833-9844 and have the following information ready:

- (1) the publication title;
- (2) specific volume, chapter and page numbers; and
- (3) your name, phone number, and Matthew Bender account number.

Please recycle removed pages.

MISSING FILING INSTRUCTIONS?  
FIND THEM AT [www.lexisnexis.com/printcdsc](http://www.lexisnexis.com/printcdsc)

Use the search tool provided to find and download missing filing instructions, or sign on to the Print & CD Service Center to order missing pages or replacement materials. Visit us soon to see what else the Print & CD Service Center can do for you!



[www.lexis.com](http://www.lexis.com)

---

---

**Copyright © 2023 Matthew Bender & Company, Inc., a member of the LexisNexis Group.  
Publication 1275, Release 22, June 2023**

LexisNexis, the knowledge burst logo, and Michie are trademarks of Reed Elsevier Properties Inc., used under license. Matthew Bender is a registered trademark of Matthew Bender Properties Inc.

