

# Small Claims

## RESEARCH GUIDE

Small Claims Court – Used to collect small sums of money, to obtain the return of property valued less than \$5,000, or to enforce a contractual agreement where the value of the contract is less than \$5,000. This guide provides a list of Law Library resources, and internet links, to assist those who wish to learn about the law regarding Small Claims actions.

### Resources in the Law Library

The following resources are available at the Daytona Beach and DeLand Law Libraries:

- How to Win in Small Claims Court, Sphinx Publishing
- Florida Causes of Action, James Publishing
- Florida Civil Procedure, Juan Ramirez, Jr., Lexis Publishing
- Florida Civil Practice Before Trial, Florida Bar
- Florida Civil Trial Practice, Florida Bar
- Florida County Court Practice, Revere Publishing

### Statutes

- [Florida Statutes §34.01 – §34.191](#)

### Online Resources

- [Florida Rules of Court – Small Claims](#)
- [Florida Small Claims Court](#) – Florida State Court link
- [Florida Small Claims Information](#)
- [Small Claims Forms](#) – The Volusia County Clerk of the Court provides some information and basic forms relating to small claims actions that may be reviewed.

**NOTICE:** This research guide is based on information gathered from the resources cited above. For more information on this or other legal topics visit the nearest branch of the Volusia County Law Library.

**IF YOU ARE ACTING AS YOUR OWN ATTORNEY, YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR EVERYTHING THAT INVOLVES YOUR CASE. Remember:** Court and Clerk filing & service fees vary. Check with the Clerk of the Court for exact fees and court costs.