

## Research Guide

### TRAFFIC INFRACTIONS

All of the resources described below provide the user with the law and procedures and, in some instances, sample forms that will enable them to research their traffic court issues.

- Most non-criminal traffic infractions will fall under either Florida Statutes 316 or 318. This will depend on the specific violation for which the citation is issued. The ticket should name the specific statute violated.
- VCLL has several excellent resources that will assist library users in their research of traffic infraction issues.
- The Florida Traffic and DUI Practice Manual is a three (3) volume set published by LEXIS that provides comprehensive information on this topic. This set also has the current Florida traffic statutes (laws).
- Another resource is Florida Traffic Ticket Defense, published by Revere Legal Publishers. This resource has an excellent outline on court procedures and includes sample forms that may be used to create pleadings for submission to traffic court.
- VCLL has treatises that will assist the library users with researching DUI issues:
  - A. Florida DUI Defense, published by Revere Legal Publishers.
  - B. Drunk Driving Defense, published by Aspen Legal Publishers.
  - C. Florida Traffic and DUI Practice Manual, described in paragraph 3 above.
  - D. Florida DUI Handbook, published by Thomson West Legal Publishers.

**NOTE:** If the patron intends to challenge the ticket in court, he/she MUST make sure the Clerk of the Court has the correct mailing address. Unless otherwise directed, all notices of court appearances, communications (orders, etc.) and/or summonses will be sent via U.S. mail to the address on the citation.

**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.