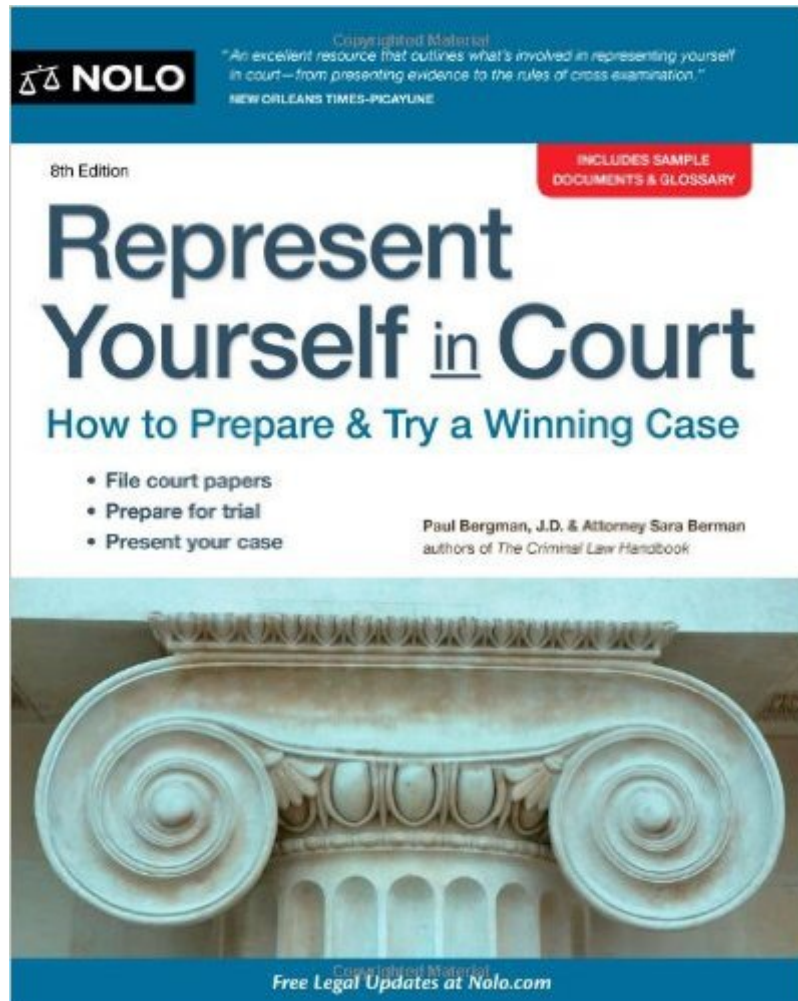


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# Represent Yourself In Court: How To Prepare & Try A Winning Case



## Synopsis

Sometimes it makes sense to handle a court case without an attorney. Learn about acting as your own lawyer in Nolo's easy-to-use, plain-English guide, *Represent Yourself in Court*. This book breaks down the trial process into easy-to-understand steps so that you can act as your own lawyer -- safely and efficiently. Find out what to say, how to say it -- even where to stand when you address the judge and jury. Get details on how to:

- file court papers
- present an opening statement
- deal with pretrial issues
- cross-examine hostile witnesses
- handle depositions
- make and respond to objections
- pick a jury if necessary
- get help from an attorney or
- discover, obtain and
- legal coach prepare your evidence
- deal with the court clerk and judge
- line up and prepare witnesses

Whether you're a plaintiff or a defendant, this book will help you confidently handle a divorce, personal injury case, landlord/tenant dispute, breach of contract, small business dispute, or any other civil lawsuit. This edition has been revised with the latest rules and court procedures, and includes updated information on electronic discovery rules and fax filing procedures. Plus, you'll get enhanced materials on court assistance for pro per litigants and an expanded discussion of self-representation in bankruptcy court.

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The book like most attorneys makes a big effort to get you to settle your case before going to Court. It provides for a general summary of how things work but does not provide the legal forms which are customarily used in legal Court proceedings. Also, because it was not purchased direct

from the NOLO website, they did not offer the additional support which is offered by the NOLO tech support. Had I purchased it directly from NOLO I'm sure the additional support and answers to my questions would have been beneficial.

This book with The Criminal Law book gives you thoughts and ideas on how to prepare a case. I do advocacy work and this information helps me present my case in different environments. Great resource books. Tom G

Very good price as compared to hiring a lawyer. Provides very good simple illustrations and examples to help you defend yourself or begin your own law suit without hiring a lawyer. All required court forms are also illustrated and can be used as templates. This book is a must for people who desire to be a Pro Se Litigant (representing yourself). Regardless, much of the work needed to be an effective Pro Se Litigant lies on your shoulders alone, however, this book provides knowledge regarding necessary preparation.

Clear, lots of important details, the book highlights many points the average reader would not pay attention to, and easy reading for everyone

The book is pretty good at explaining task but misses at courtroom procedure ie what to expect and prepare for. After filing of complaint, is the coming hearing on it the whole case?? There was no warning about a popular growing Special Motion to Strike in which if you lose is very difficult, if not impossible, to turn around.

This book appears to be a thorough introduction to self-representation in the American legal system. Be forewarned, though: the book assumes that the decision to self-represent has already been made, and thus provides little information for the person trying to decide whether or not to self-represent. This topic is sufficiently tricky that perhaps it deserves a book of its own.

Valuable information, but lacking in two very important areas. One, if you have to testify there is NO information about preparing and delivering your testimony (was there a deposition, were there declarations how to prepare for and make them). Two, it gives only cursory insight as to how to defend yourself. Our civil legal system is basically a wealth redistribution system. You can be sued by anyone at anytime for doing nothing, the Plaintiff hopes you will cave into this litigation extortion

and pay them without going to trial and it often succeeds. If you did nothing and believe in fighting for the truth that you did nothing wrong, there is little in this book that will help you. If you are the kind of person hoping for a pay day for nothing it will be of help to you. If you have a legitimate case this will help you.

A must read for everyone who has to go to court, even if you decide to hire an attorney. A very thorough guide in helping pro se litigants. Gives step by step instructions on how to prepare for court and points the laymen to the correct local and state rules of court. A great book!

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