

The Brief Case FAQ

What is The Brief Case?

The Brief Case is DRI's new **aggregated committee newsletter**, housing all content previously featured in individual committee newsletters. Each issue will be distributed to all DRI members, expanding the current audience significantly.

How many issues of the Brief Case will there be this year?

There will be **eight** issues in 2022, with the first edition releasing in March. There will be a new issue each month, except for July/August and November/December double issues.

Does my committee have to submit articles for every issue?

No. The Brief Case is designed to be more flexible; we can slot articles in on a rolling basis. There is no pressure to submit content for every issue. Committees may submit as many or as few pieces as they choose.

How will the Brief Case be set up? Will each committee have a separate section?

The Brief Case will be a digital newsletter similar to The Voice, but users will be able to flip through separate committee pages like a magazine. It will include a Table of Contents, and subheadings or end notes will highlight from which committee a piece originated. For example, our section with content from the Young Lawyers Committee will note both the Young Lawyers Committee name and its "Raising the Bar" newsletter name. So, if we have multiple submissions for an issue from one committee, we plan to include all that content on a single page to make it easy to navigate.

How should committee members submit content for The Brief Case? Is this still the job of the publications chair?

Members can visit DRI's new Publications page at <u>DRI.org/publications</u> to submit content or email <u>submissions@dri.org</u> directly. Publications chairs are also expected to help solicit content from committee members. Given the expertise of committee publications chairs in their legal spaces, the DRI Communications team will work with them to make sure submitted content is relevant and accurate.

What are the benefits to committees with this change?

Committees will be able to reach a wider audience, providing greater opportunities for content crosspollination between committees and visibility before DRI members not yet affiliated with a committee. Additionally, members will face less pressure to turn over content given the increased flexibility of the new structure.

What kind of content should committees submit to The Brief Case?

Anything you've featured in committee newsletters before can be funneled into The Brief Case. This includes timely information related to case laws, practice areas, and more. If you are unsure about whether an article is a better fit for The Brief Case or a different DRI publication, our editors can help.

