

Preface

The 2026-2027 edition of WISCONSIN ELEMENTS OF AN ACTION provides to-the-point legal analysis of the required elements for various civil causes of action in Wisconsin, including statutes, of limitations, remedies, and defenses. It provides examples of recent verdicts and settlements. Each chapter contains numerous samples of actual pleadings, motions, jury instructions, and special verdicts taken from recent Wisconsin court records. The information in this treatise provides readers with essential knowledge—saving hours of research and drafting. Everything is at the reader’s fingertips.

Topics covered include actions for abuse of process, animal bites, contracts, defamation, emotional distress, false imprisonment, insurance, bad faith, legal malpractice, local government tort liability, medical malpractice, motor vehicle accidents, nuisance, possession of real property, products liability, safe place, tortious interference with contracts, and wrongful death.

The 2026-2027 edition includes numerous updated jury verdict and settlement reports, including complaints pretrial reports, and special verdicts. New material includes:

- New material on abuse of process (§ 1:7.50)
- New material on negligent misrepresentation (§ 3:21)
- New complaint for breach of contract and misrepresentation (§ 3:42)
- New verdict form for negligent misrepresentation and breach of contract (§ 3:64)
- New material on indemnification for medical malpractice judgment (§ 10:9)
- New complaint for indemnification for medical malpractice judgment (§ 10:25)
- New special verdict for indemnification for medical malpractice judgment (§ 10:46)
- New material on products liability (§ 14:11)
- New products liability complaint for injury when lifting system malfunctioned (§ 14:20)
- New material on wrongful death caused by semi-truck changing lanes negligently (§ 17:13)

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