

# Gale Legal Forms Library — Accessibility Conformance Report

WCAG 2.1 Level A & AA Edition

(Based on VPAT® Version 2.5Rev)

**Name of Product/Version:** Gale Legal Forms Library (Full Site)

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**Product Description:** The Gale Legal Forms Library is a web-based legal forms repository providing access to state-specific legal documents across the United States. The application is built on the Magento platform and includes form searching, browsing by category, downloading forms in multiple formats (MS Word, Rich Text, PDF), legal encyclopedia articles (Law Digest), lifestyle legal articles (LegalLife©), legal definitions, legal Q&A, attorney directory listings with practice-area drill-down, helpful topics articles with individual article content pages, tax form links, external resource links, and subscription management. The application also includes a Formspass Docprep module for online form completion, featuring a comprehensive forms index (Complete Online), a multi-step form entry wizard with inline validation, and a post-submission download/receipt page with embedded PDF preview. The site uses a consistent layout with a global header (desktop and mobile navigation), search functionality, breadcrumb navigation, sidebar with site navigation and popular search links, and a global footer.

**Pages Evaluated:** This report is based on a representative sample of all major page types in the application:

#	Page Type	Description
1	Home Page (Full Page Template)	Primary entry point with global header/footer, A-Z navigation, tabbed category/sample search browsing, mobile dialog menu
2	Category Results Page	Browsed category results organized by sub-category with pagination, per-page selector, icon legends
3	Search Results Page	Keyword search results organized by category with pagination, highlighted search terms, per-page selector
4	Form Download Page	Individual form detail with metadata, download links in multiple formats/languages, Description/Preview tabs
5	Form Package Download Page	Package detail with component table, Will Forms filter (select dropdowns + Apply/Clear), multiple data tables, optional online forms section, Description/Preview tabs
6	Subscription Selection Page	List of 51 U.S. state/territory subscription links
7	Law Digest Content Page	Legal encyclopedia article with imported content, heading demotion via ARIA, cross references
8	LegalLife© Articles Page	Article category list in two-column CSS layout
9	Legal Definitions Page	A-Z alphabetical navigation, definition search form with checkbox filter, legal term index with 110+ terms per letter
10	Legal Q&A Page	489 categorized question links in flat list with <code>aria-label</code> subcategory annotations on 361 subcategory links

11	<b>Attorney Directory Page</b>	51 U.S. state/territory links to attorney directory listings with disclaimer and external sign-up link
12	<b>Helpful Topics (Articles) Page</b>	Alphabetical index of 87 legal article topic categories
13	<b>Tax Forms Page</b>	Federal and state tax form external links (53 total), all opening in new windows
14	<b>External Links Page</b>	State-specific curated external resource links (e.g., 6 Louisiana links) with decorative external-link icons, all opening in new windows
15	<b>Attorney Directory Listing Page</b>	State/practice-area attorney listing in two-column table (Firm/City) with firm descriptions, all external links opening in new windows, four-level breadcrumb
16	<b>Article Content Page</b> (Accidents and Injury)	Representative article with body paragraphs, subtopics section, semantic <code>&lt;article&gt;</code> element, no interactive elements in article body
21	<b>Docprep Complete Online: Louisiana Forms List</b>	Formspass Docprep form index with 40-category navigation index (anchor links), H2-headed category sections with form links and descriptions, "Multiple Forms" badges with sub-lists of variants, two-column CSS layout
22	<b>Docprep Complete Legal Form: Confidentiality Agreement</b> (Form Entry Page)	Formspass Docprep multi-step form wizard with step indicators, 7 input fields (text inputs + select dropdown), inline validation with <code>aria-invalid / aria-live</code> , autocomplete on personal data fields, Cancel/Previous/Next action buttons
23	<b>Docprep Download Legal Form: Confidentiality Agreement</b> (Download/Receipt Page)	Formspass Docprep post-submission receipt with informational <code>role="status"</code> banners, Return Home and Download DOCX Format buttons, embedded PDF preview via <code>&lt;object&gt;</code> with <code>aria-label</code> and fallback content

## Revision History

Version	Date	Author	Description
1.0	February 8, 2026	Mark Giesbrecht giesbrecht.mark@pdfiller.team	Initial report covering 16 representative page types across the Gale Legal Forms Library. Evaluation conducted February 6–8, 2026.
2.0	March 7, 2026	Mark Giesbrecht giesbrecht.mark@pdfiller.team	Added 3 Formspass Docprep page types (pages 21–23): Complete Online forms index, form entry wizard, and download/receipt page. Evaluation conducted March 6, 2026. Total coverage now 19 page types.
2.1	March 12, 2026	Mark Giesbrecht giesbrecht.mark@pdfiller.team	Resolved a <b>1.3.1 Info and Relationships</b> issue on each of the following 2 pages: Form Package Download Page (page 5) and Article Content Page (Accidents and Injury) (page 16).

**Notes:** This report covers the `accessible.css`-enabled version of the Gale Legal Forms Library and the `accessible-docprep.css`-enabled Formspass Docprep module. The accessibility layers are implemented via dedicated stylesheets (`accessible.css` for the main site, `accessible-docprep.css` for Docprep pages) that provide focus management, screen-reader-only text utilities, and enhanced visual indicators across all page types. The evaluation is based on a representative sample of 19 page types covering all major functional areas of the application, including the online form completion workflow (Docprep). Individual page-level reports are maintained separately and serve as the source documentation for this consolidated site-wide conformance report.

**Evaluation Methods Used:** Manual inspection of rendered DOM and accessibility tree via Chrome DevTools and Claude in Chrome browser extension; computed style analysis for all contrast ratios using the WCAG relative luminance algorithm; keyboard navigation testing (Tab, Shift+Tab, Enter, Escape, Arrow keys); Wave Accessibility Extension; Axe DevTools; NVDA screen reader verification; ARIA attribute verification on all interactive components (dialogs, tabs, navigation, forms, buttons, tables, checkboxes, live regions, step indicators, embedded objects); landmark and heading hierarchy audits; responsive reflow testing at 320px and 375px viewport widths; review of `accessible.css` and `accessible-docprep.css` stylesheets for focus management; `aria-controls` target existence verification across all pages; `aria-describedby` target existence verification; `aria-label` consistency verification across all subcategory links (361 items on Legal Q&A page); external link attribute verification across all external links (Tax Forms, External Links, Attorney Directory, Attorney Directory Listing pages); table structure verification (thead/tbody/th/td/scope/colspan on Attorney Directory Listing page); CSSOM rule inspection; inline validation trigger testing (focus/blur on empty required fields on Docprep form entry page); label-to-input association verification on Docprep form fields; `inert` attribute verification for mobile dialog focus trapping on Docprep pages; `autocomplete` attribute verification on Docprep personal data fields; `aria-invalid` state synchronization verification on Docprep form fields.

## Applicable Standards/Guidelines

Standard/Guideline	Included In Report
Web Content Accessibility Guidelines 2.0	Level A — Yes, Level AA — Yes
Web Content Accessibility Guidelines 2.1	Level A — Yes, Level AA — Yes

## Terms

- **Supports:** The functionality of the product has at least one method that meets the criterion without known defects or meets with equivalent facilitation.
- **Partially Supports:** Some functionality of the product does not meet the criterion.
- **Does Not Support:** The majority of product functionality does not meet the criterion.
- **Not Applicable:** The criterion is not relevant to the product.

## WCAG 2.1 Report

Note: When reporting on conformance with the WCAG 2.x Success Criteria, they are scoped for full pages, complete processes, and accessibility-supported ways of using technology as documented in the WCAG 2.0 Conformance Requirements.

**Table 1: Success Criteria, Level A**

Criteria	Conformance Level	Remarks and Explanations
<b>1.1.1 Non-text Content</b> (Level A)	Supports	All non-text content across the site has appropriate text alternatives. <b>Logo image:</b> <code>alt="Gale Legal Forms Library - Go to home page"</code> . <b>Decorative icons:</b> All Font Awesome icons (14+ per page in some templates) use <code>aria-hidden="true"</code> with adjacent visible text labels or parent elements providing accessible names — including H2 chevron icons (Legal Q&A, Tax Forms), subcategory arrow icons (Legal Q&A), and external-link icons (External Links). <b>Functional icons:</b> Spanish-availability asterisk icons use <code>&lt;img alt="" aria-label="..."&gt;</code> consistently across Home, Search Results, and Category Results pages (legend and individual result icons match). Official form icons on

		<p>Category Results use the same pattern. <b>Mobile header:</b> Hamburger, home, and search icons are all <code>aria-hidden="true"</code> inside buttons with <code>aria-label</code>. <b>Pagination icons:</b> First/Previous/Next/Last icons use <code>aria-hidden="true"</code> with parent <code>&lt;a&gt;</code> links providing <code>aria-label</code>. <b>Product images:</b> FormsPass badges have alt text identifying the form. <b>Preview images:</b> Form previews use "Form Preview: Page N: [Form Name]" pattern. <b>Footer branding:</b> <code>alt="Gale Cengage"</code> and <code>alt="Powered by US Legal"</code>. <b>Docprep Form Entry (page 22):</b> Required-field asterisk icons use <code>aria-hidden="true"</code>, correctly hiding decorative icons from screen readers; step-arrow chevron icon also uses <code>aria-hidden="true"</code>. <b>Docprep Download (page 23):</b> The embedded PDF preview uses <code>&lt;object&gt;</code> with <code>aria-label="PDF version of your document"</code> and descriptive fallback content (<code>&lt;p&gt;Your completed Confidentiality Agreement document. &lt;a href="..."&gt;Open PDF&lt;/a&gt;&lt;/p&gt;</code>); button icons (Font Awesome check and times icons) use <code>aria-hidden="true"</code>. Pages with no non-text content (Subscription, Legallife Articles, Law Digest, Legal Definitions, Attorney Directory, Helpful Topics, Article Content, Docprep Complete Online) are not applicable.</p>
1.2.1 Audio-only and Video-only (Prerecorded) (Level A)	Not Applicable	No audio or video content is present anywhere in the application, including Docprep pages.
1.2.2 Captions (Prerecorded) (Level A)	Not Applicable	No video content is present.
1.2.3 Audio Description or Media Alternative (Prerecorded) (Level A)	Not Applicable	No video content is present.
1.3.1 Info and Relationships (Level A)	Supports	<p><b>Across all pages:</b> Rich semantic structure is used consistently — <code>&lt;main id="maincontent"&gt;</code> landmark; <code>&lt;nav aria-label="Breadcrumb"&gt;</code> with <code>&lt;ol&gt;</code> and <code>aria-current="page"</code> on terminal items; <code>&lt;aside aria-labelledby="sidebar-heading"&gt;</code> with <code>&lt;nav aria-label="Site navigation"&gt;</code>; <code>&lt;ul aria-label="13 popular form searches"&gt;</code>; logical heading hierarchies (H1 → H2 → H3 where applicable); <code>&lt;html lang="en"&gt;</code> declared. <b>Home Page:</b> Complete landmark structure including <code>&lt;form role="search"&gt;</code>, <code>&lt;div role="dialog" aria-modal="true"&gt;</code>, <code>&lt;div role="tablist"&gt;</code> with full ARIA tab pattern, <code>&lt;div role="alert"&gt;</code> for Spanish notice, 10 uniquely labeled <code>&lt;nav&gt;</code> regions, and <code>&lt;li aria-disabled="true"&gt;</code> for inactive A-Z letters. <b>Search/Category Results:</b> Results grouped in <code>&lt;ul&gt;/&lt;li&gt;</code> under H2 category headings; icon patterns use <code>role="img"</code> with descriptive <code>aria-label</code> on every occurrence; pagination uses <code>&lt;nav&gt;</code> with <code>&lt;ol&gt;</code> and <code>aria-current="page"</code>. <b>Form Download Pages:</b> Metadata in <code>&lt;dl&gt;/&lt;dt&gt;/&lt;dd&gt;</code>; full ARIA tab pattern for Description/Preview. <b>Form Package Download:</b> Tables use <code>&lt;thead&gt;</code>, <code>&lt;th scope="col"&gt;</code>, <code>aria-label</code>; filter <code>&lt;select&gt;</code> elements have <code>&lt;label for="..."&gt;</code> associations; <code>&lt;section aria-labelledby&gt;</code> for optional content. <b>Law Digest:</b> Imported encyclopedia headings properly demoted via <code>role="heading"</code> with <code>aria-level</code> overrides. <b>Legal Definitions:</b> A-Z navigation in <code>&lt;nav aria-label="Alphabetical legal terms selection"&gt;</code> with <code>&lt;ul&gt;</code> of 26 <code>&lt;li&gt;</code> items; search form with <code>role="search"</code>, properly associated <code>&lt;label&gt;</code>, <code>&lt;input type="search"&gt;</code> with <code>aria-describedby</code>, and checkbox with <code>&lt;label&gt;</code> and <code>aria-describedby</code>; results H2 separated from <code>&lt;div role="status"&gt;</code></p>

		<p>live region; terms list in <code>&lt;ul aria-label&gt;</code> with accurate count. <b>Legal Q&amp;A:</b> 489-item flat <code>&lt;ul&gt;</code> with <code>aria-label</code> including total count; all 361 subcategory links annotated with <code>aria-label</code> naming the parent category (e.g., "Consent of Minor, subcategory of Adoption"), programmatically conveying the hierarchy. <b>Attorney Directory, Helpful Topics, Tax Forms, External Links:</b> Proper <code>&lt;ul&gt;</code> with <code>aria-label</code> including item counts; <code>&lt;strong&gt;</code> for disclaimer emphasis (Attorney Directory); two content-level H2s for Federal/State sections (Tax Forms). <b>Attorney Directory Listing:</b> Attorney table uses <code>&lt;table&gt;</code> with <code>aria-label</code>, <code>&lt;thead&gt;</code> with <code>&lt;th scope="col"&gt;</code> for "Firm" and "City" headers, <code>&lt;tbody&gt;</code> for data rows, and <code>&lt;td colspan="2"&gt;</code> for description rows spanning both columns. <b>Article Content Page:</b> Semantic <code>&lt;article&gt;</code> element wraps article content; body text uses proper <code>&lt;p&gt;</code> elements; H1 → H2 hierarchy with no skipped levels. <b>Docprep Complete Online (page 21):</b> Top-level category index uses <code>&lt;ul aria-label="40 form categories"&gt;</code>; each of 40+ category sections uses semantic <code>&lt;h2&gt;</code> followed by <code>&lt;ul&gt;</code> with <code>&lt;li&gt;</code> items; "Multiple Forms" indicators use <code>role="note"</code> with badge <code>&lt;span&gt;</code> and sub-<code>&lt;ol&gt;</code> listing variants; mobile menu uses <code>div[role="dialog"][aria-modal="true"][aria-label="Site navigation"]</code>; 8 distinctly labeled <code>&lt;nav&gt;</code> regions; logical H1 → H2 hierarchy across all category sections with no skipped levels. <b>Docprep Form Entry (page 22):</b> <code>&lt;form aria-label="Confidentiality Agreement Form"&gt;</code> provides a labeled form landmark; all 7 form fields have proper <code>&lt;label&gt;</code> elements associated via <code>for / id</code> pairs; required fields use both <code>required</code> and <code>aria-required="true"</code>; error messages linked via <code>aria-describedby</code>; <code>&lt;nav aria-label="Form steps"&gt;</code> for step indicators; seven empty <code>&lt;section&gt;</code> elements for the "Verify and Submit" step have <code>aria-hidden="true"</code> when inactive, preventing them from appearing as unlabeled region landmarks. <b>Docprep Download (page 23):</b> Two informational banners use <code>role="status"</code> with <code>aria-live="polite"</code> (previously <code>role="alert"</code>, now corrected); H1 → H2 hierarchy; <code>&lt;object&gt;</code> element with <code>aria-label</code> and descriptive fallback content.</p>
<p><b>1.3.2 Meaningful Sequence</b> (Level A)</p>	<p>Supports</p>	<p>DOM order follows logical reading order on all pages. Mobile-only elements (dialog, mobile nav toggle, mobile footer accordion) are hidden at desktop via <code>display: none</code> and do not interfere with desktop reading order. The LegalLife Articles page uses CSS <code>column-count: 2</code> which fills columns top-to-bottom, left-to-right, matching DOM and visual reading order. Law Digest <code>&lt;span class="page"&gt;</code> elements embed source document page numbers via <code>title</code> attributes without disrupting reading flow. Legal Definitions follows breadcrumb → H1 → description → A-Z nav → search form → results heading → terms list. Legal Q&amp;A follows breadcrumb → H1 → description → H2 → category list with categories and subcategories in sequential groups. Article Content page follows breadcrumb → H1 → article paragraphs → subtopics → sidebar. Attorney Directory Listing follows breadcrumb → H1 → attorney table → help text → disclaimer. <b>Docprep Complete Online (page 21):</b> DOM order matches visual reading order: banner → breadcrumb → H1 → category index → form category sections (each H2 → list) → sidebar → footer; two-column category index uses CSS <code>column-count: 2</code> preserving DOM reading order. <b>Docprep Form Entry (page 22):</b> DOM order matches visual: breadcrumb → H1 → step indicators → form heading → form fields (top to bottom) → action buttons → sidebar. <b>Docprep Download (page 23):</b> DOM order matches visual: breadcrumb → H1 → download alert → action buttons → PDF alert → PDF preview → sidebar.</p>
<p><b>1.3.3 Sensory Characteristics</b> (Level A)</p>	<p>Supports</p>	<p>No instructions across the site rely solely on sensory characteristics. Icon legends pair visual symbols with descriptive text. Active tabs are indicated both visually and programmatically (<code>aria-selected="true"</code>). Filter instructions reference controls by label text. The Spanish asterisk icon is accompanied by explanatory text and uses <code>role="img"</code> with descriptive <code>aria-label</code>. On Legal Q&amp;A, subcategory relationships are not conveyed solely through the visual arrow icon — <code>aria-label</code> attributes provide the programmatic</p>

		<p>equivalent. On Legal Definitions, the current letter is identified by both visual highlight and programmatic state ( <code>aria-current="page"</code> , descriptive <code>aria-label</code> ). On External Links, the external-link icon is supplemented by visible description text and sr-only new-window notification. <b>Docprep Complete Online (page 21):</b> The "Multiple Forms" badge uses text content rather than relying solely on visual styling. <b>Docprep Form Entry (page 22):</b> Required field asterisks are supplemented by programmatic <code>aria-required="true"</code> attributes; error messages use text descriptions, not solely visual cues. <b>Docprep Download (page 23):</b> The "Download DOCX Format" button uses both a checkmark icon and descriptive text; the icon is supplementary and hidden from assistive technology.</p>
<p><b>1.4.1 Use of Color (Level A)</b></p>	<p>Supports</p>	<p>Links across all pages use color combined with underline or button styling. Active A-Z letters are distinguished from disabled letters by both color and interactive state. Active tabs are distinguished by background color and <code>aria-selected</code> . Active pagination pages are distinguished by both color reversal and absence of hyperlink. Spanish and official form indicators use distinct icon shapes, not color alone. Sidebar navigation links reside in visually distinct regions identifiable by context. On Legal Definitions, the current letter is distinguished by background color combined with border styling and programmatic <code>aria-current="page"</code> state; all A-Z letters have visible borders as non-color visual cues. On Legal Q&amp;A, subcategories use an arrow icon as a non-color visual indicator alongside <code>aria-label</code> . On External Links, external-link icons provide additional visual identification beyond link color. <b>Docprep Complete Online (page 21):</b> Form links use color combined with <code>text-decoration: underline</code> ; the "Multiple Forms" badge uses a contrasting background with text label. <b>Docprep Form Entry (page 22):</b> Active form step uses a distinct blue background versus inactive step's light gray; validation errors use both a red border and a yellow-background text message; required field indicators supplement programmatic <code>required/aria-required</code> attributes. <b>Docprep Download (page 23):</b> Informational banners use both a light blue background and text content; the "Download DOCX Format" button uses a green background with checkmark icon plus descriptive text; the "Return Home" button uses a bordered style with descriptive text.</p>
<p><b>1.4.2 Audio Control (Level A)</b></p>	<p>Not Applicable</p>	<p>No audio content is present anywhere in the application.</p>
<p><b>2.1.1 Keyboard (Level A)</b></p>	<p>Supports</p>	<p>All interactive elements across all pages are keyboard-accessible: header links and buttons, search form, breadcrumb links, A-Z letter links, tab buttons (with roving tabindex focus), category/result links, pagination links, per-page <code>&lt;select&gt;</code> controls, filter dropdowns and Apply/Clear buttons, download links, table component links, sidebar links, and footer links. The mobile dialog close button is keyboard-accessible. Tab interface supports Arrow key navigation between tabs and Tab key into active panel. On Legal Definitions, all A-Z letter links, search input, search submit button, checkbox, and term links are keyboard-accessible; the current letter <code>&lt;span&gt;</code> is correctly excluded from tab order. On Legal Q&amp;A, all 489 category/subcategory links are keyboard-accessible. On Tax Forms, all 53 external links (2 federal + 51 state) are keyboard-accessible. On Attorney Directory Listing, all 10 links (9 firm + 1 disclaimer) are keyboard-accessible. The Article Content page body contains no interactive elements; focus correctly proceeds from breadcrumb to sidebar. <b>Docprep Complete Online (page 21):</b> All interactive elements (breadcrumb, category index anchor links, form links, sidebar links, hamburger button, close button, footer links) are standard <code>&lt;a&gt;</code> or <code>&lt;button&gt;</code> elements; mobile menu dialog opens on Enter/Space and closes via Escape. <b>Docprep Form Entry (page 22):</b> All form fields ( <code>&lt;input&gt;</code> , <code>&lt;select&gt;</code> ) are native HTML controls; Cancel, Previous, Next buttons are native <code>&lt;button&gt;</code> elements; the native <code>&lt;select&gt;</code> dropdown is keyboard-accessible via Arrow keys. <b>Docprep Download (page 23):</b> Return Home and Download DOCX Format buttons are standard</p>

		<button> and <a> elements; the embedded PDF.js viewer provides its own keyboard-accessible toolbar.
<b>2.1.2 No Keyboard Trap</b> (Level A)	Supports	Keyboard focus moves freely through all interactive elements on all pages. The mobile dialog uses <code>aria-modal="true"</code> and traps focus when open (correct behavior for modal dialogs), with a close button to exit. No traps were encountered in non-modal content on any page. <b>Docprep Complete Online (page 21):</b> When the mobile menu dialog is open, the <code>inert</code> attribute is applied to <code>&lt;header&gt;</code> , <code>&lt;main&gt;</code> , <code>&lt;aside&gt;</code> , and <code>&lt;footer&gt;</code> , confining keyboard focus to the dialog; when closed, <code>inert</code> is applied to the dialog itself; Escape key reliably closes the menu and returns focus. <b>Docprep Form Entry (page 22):</b> Focus moves freely through all form fields, buttons, and links. <b>Docprep Download (page 23):</b> Focus can enter and exit the embedded PDF viewer <code>&lt;object&gt;</code> element.
<b>2.1.4 Character Key Shortcuts</b> (Level A 2.1)	Not Applicable	No custom character key shortcuts are implemented anywhere in the application, including Docprep pages.
<b>2.2.1 Timing Adjustable</b> (Level A)	Not Applicable	No time limits are present on any page.
<b>2.2.2 Pause, Stop, Hide</b> (Level A)	Not Applicable	No moving, blinking, scrolling, or auto-updating content is present. The Docprep mobile menu slide-in animation is a smooth CSS transform transition, not a flash.
<b>2.3.1 Three Flashes or Below Threshold</b> (Level A)	Supports	No flashing content is present anywhere in the application.
<b>2.4.1 Bypass Blocks</b> (Level A)	Supports	A "Skip to Main Content" link ( <code>&lt;a href="#maincontent"&gt;</code> ) is present as the first focusable element on every page, visible on keyboard focus with high-contrast styling. All pages include landmark regions ( <code>banner</code> , <code>main</code> , <code>complementary</code> , <code>contentinfo</code> , <code>search</code> , <code>navigation</code> ) providing structural navigation for assistive technology users. The Home Page provides 7 landmark regions and 10 uniquely labeled <code>navigation</code> regions. The Legal Definitions page adds an additional <code>&lt;nav aria-label="Alphabetical legal terms selection"&gt;</code> landmark for A-Z browsing. <b>Docprep Complete Online (page 21):</b> Skip link present; the top-level category index with anchor links ( <code>#Affidavits</code> , <code>#Animals</code> , etc.) also serves as an in-page table of contents. <b>Docprep Form Entry (page 22):</b> Skip link present; <code>&lt;form&gt;</code> , <code>&lt;nav&gt;</code> , and <code>&lt;aside&gt;</code> provide additional landmarks. <b>Docprep Download (page 23):</b> Skip link present; <code>&lt;main id="maincontent" tabindex="-1"&gt;</code> receives focus directly when the skip link is activated, ensuring reliable focus transfer.
<b>2.4.2 Page Titled</b> (Level A)	Supports	All pages have descriptive titles that identify both the specific content and the site: "Forms - Gale Legal Forms Library" (Home), "Animals - Forms - Gale Legal Forms Library" (Category Results), "Search Results for tenant - Gale Legal Forms Library" (Search Results), "Act of Cash Sale without Warranty - Gale Legal Forms Library" (Form Download), "Last Will and Testament Package - Gale Legal Forms Library" (Form Package Download), "Available Subscriptions - Gale Legal Forms Library" (Subscriptions), "Law Digest - Gale Legal Forms Library" (Law Digest), "LegalLife© Articles - Gale Legal Forms Library" (Articles), "Legal Definitions - Gale Legal Forms Library" (Definitions), "Legal Q&A - Gale Legal Forms Library" (Q&A), "Attorney Directory - Gale Legal Forms Library" (Attorney Directory), "Helpful Topics - Gale Legal Forms Library" (Helpful Topics), "Tax Forms - Gale Legal Forms

		Library" (Tax Forms), "External Links - Gale Legal Forms Library" (External Links), "Health Care - Attorney Directory - Gale Legal Forms Library" (Attorney Directory Listing), "Accidents and Injury - Gale Legal Forms Library" (Article Content), "Complete Louisiana Legal Forms Online - Gale Legal Forms Library" (Docprep Complete Online), "Complete Legal Form: Confidentiality Agreement - Gale Legal Forms Library" (Docprep Form Entry), "Download Legal Form: Confidentiality Agreement" (Docprep Download).
<b>2.4.3 Focus Order</b> (Level A)	Supports	Focus order follows the logical DOM order on all pages. Mobile-only elements with <code>display: none</code> are removed from the tab order at desktop. Inactive tabs are correctly removed from the Tab sequence via <code>tabindex="-1"</code> . The LegalLife Articles CSS <code>column-count: 2</code> layout maintains correct focus order matching the visual column reading sequence. On Legal Definitions, focus skips the non-interactive current letter <code>&lt;span&gt;</code> and proceeds through A-Z links → search input → search button → checkbox → term links. No <code>tabindex</code> values disrupt natural flow on any page. <b>Docprep Complete Online (page 21):</b> Focus order follows DOM: skip link → header quick links → breadcrumb → category index links → form section links → sidebar → footer; when mobile menu is open, focus confined to dialog via <code>inert</code> . <b>Docprep Form Entry (page 22):</b> Focus order follows DOM: skip link → breadcrumb → form fields (Your First Name → Your Last Name → Email Address → Company's Name → Contractor's Name → Purpose for Confidentiality → State select) → Cancel → Previous → Next → sidebar. <b>Docprep Download (page 23):</b> Focus order follows DOM: skip link → breadcrumb → Return Home → Download DOCX Format → PDF viewer → sidebar.
<b>2.4.4 Link Purpose (In Context)</b> (Level A)	Supports	All links across the site have descriptive accessible names. <b>Header:</b> Quick links use visible text; logo has descriptive <code>alt</code> . <b>A-Z navigation:</b> Links have <code>aria-label="Form categories starting with [letter]"</code> (Home) and <code>aria-label="Legal terms starting with [letter]"</code> (Definitions). <b>Search/Category Results:</b> Form result links include control number and form name in <code>aria-label</code> ; category heading links include hidden text "- View all forms in this category". <b>Pagination:</b> First/Previous/Next/Last have <code>aria-label</code> values; page numbers are contextually clear within labeled <code>&lt;nav&gt;</code> regions. <b>Form Download:</b> Download links combine visible text + visually-hidden context + <code>title</code> attribute (e.g., "MS Word - Download English form (opens in new window)"). <b>Breadcrumb:</b> First link enhanced with <code>aria-label="Legal Forms Library - Go to Home Page"</code> . <b>Sidebar:</b> Popular search links use <code>aria-label="Search legal forms for [topic]"</code> . <b>Legal Q&amp;A:</b> Subcategory links use <code>aria-label</code> that appends parent context (e.g., "Consent of Minor, subcategory of Adoption"); category links use visible text directly. <b>External links (Tax Forms, External Links, Attorney Directory):</b> All external links include sr-only "(opens in new window)" text informing screen reader users of new-window behavior; link text identifies the destination (e.g., "Internal Revenue Service", "Louisiana Secretary of State"). <b>Attorney Directory Listing:</b> Firm links use descriptive text including firm name and location (e.g., "Becker Law Office (Lexington, Kentucky)"); the "Firm" column header provides additional table context. <b>Docprep Complete Online (page 21):</b> Category index links (e.g., "Affidavits", "Animals") are self-descriptive in-page anchors; form links (e.g., "Affidavit of Debtor for Financial Status") clearly describe each form. <b>Docprep Form Entry (page 22):</b> Breadcrumb links clearly describe destinations; Cancel, Previous, and Next buttons clearly describe their actions. <b>Docprep Download (page 23):</b> "Return Home" and "Download DOCX Format" buttons clearly describe their actions; breadcrumb links are self-descriptive.
<b>2.5.1 Pointer Gestures</b> (Level A 2.1)	Not Applicable	No multipoint or path-based gestures are required anywhere in the application. The Docprep mobile menu opens via a single-tap button.
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<b>2.5.2 Pointer Cancellation</b> (Level A 2.1)		All links, buttons, and select controls across the site use default browser activation on the up-event, including all Docprep page buttons and form controls.
<b>2.5.3 Label in Name</b> (Level A 2.1)	Supports	All interactive elements with <code>aria-label</code> values contain the visible text within the accessible name. Examples: breadcrumb <code>aria-label</code> begins with visible text; A-Z links' <code>aria-label</code> begins with the visible letter character (Home and Definitions pages); download links have visible text at the start of <code>aria-label</code> ; popular search links contain visible button text within <code>aria-label</code> ; filter <code>&lt;select&gt;</code> elements have visible <code>&lt;label&gt;</code> text matching programmatic labels. On Legal Q&A, all 361 subcategory <code>aria-label</code> values begin with the visible link text before appending the subcategory relationship — verified across all 361 links. On Tax Forms and External Links, sr-only "(opens in new window)" text is appended after visible text, maintaining compliance. <b>Docprep Complete Online (page 21):</b> All links use visible text as their accessible name; hamburger button uses <code>aria-label="Open menu"</code> . <b>Docprep Form Entry (page 22):</b> All form fields use visible label text as their accessible name; the "(read only)" <code>&lt;span&gt;</code> has been moved outside the <code>&lt;label&gt;</code> element so it no longer contributes to the accessible name computation; required-field asterisk icons use <code>aria-hidden="true"</code> and are correctly excluded. <b>Docprep Download (page 23):</b> All buttons use visible text as their accessible name; button icons use <code>aria-hidden="true"</code> .
<b>2.5.4 Motion Actuation</b> (Level A 2.1)	Not Applicable	No motion-actuated functionality is present.
<b>3.1.1 Language of Page</b> (Level A)	Supports	<code>&lt;html lang="en"&gt;</code> is declared on all pages, including Docprep pages.
<b>3.2.1 On Focus</b> (Level A)	Supports	No context changes occur on focus for any element on any page. On the Docprep Form Entry page, focus entering a form field does not trigger page navigation or form submission.
<b>3.2.2 On Input</b> (Level A)	Supports	The global search form requires explicit submit via button press. <b>Search/Category Results:</b> The per-page <code>&lt;select&gt;</code> triggers a page reload on change, but the user is advised via <code>aria-describedby</code> referencing a screen-reader-only advisory ("Page will reload when selection changes"). <b>Form Package Download:</b> Filter <code>&lt;select&gt;</code> dropdowns require explicit "Apply" button press — no auto-submission. Tab interfaces require explicit activation. <b>Legal Definitions:</b> A-Z letter links navigate to a new page view (expected link behavior); the checkbox toggle does not cause a context change; search requires explicit submit. <b>Tax Forms, External Links, and Attorney Directory Listing:</b> Links open in new windows on activation; this behavior is announced to screen reader users via sr-only/visually-hidden text and communicated in list/table <code>aria-label</code> attributes. <b>Docprep Form Entry (page 22):</b> Selecting a state from the dropdown does not trigger navigation or submission; inline validation displays error messages below the field but does not change context. Pages without form controls (Subscription, Law Digest, LegalLife Articles, Legal Q&A, Attorney Directory, Helpful Topics, Article Content, Docprep Complete Online, Docprep Download) are not applicable.
<b>3.3.1 Error Identification</b> (Level A)	Supports	The global search form allows empty submissions; error handling occurs on results pages. Filter controls on the Form Package Download page use pre-populated valid <code>&lt;select&gt;</code> options, preventing invalid states. On Legal Definitions, the search input has <code>aria-describedby="search-help"</code> pointing to instruction text "Enter at least 3 characters to search legal terms and definitions", proactively guiding users. <b>Docprep Form Entry (page 22):</b> When a required field is left blank and loses focus, an error message ("This field is required" or "Please enter a valid email address") is displayed below the field with a yellow

		background. The error message is connected to the input via <code>aria-describedby</code> and uses <code>aria-live="assertive"</code> for dynamic announcement. The input receives <code>aria-invalid="true"</code> when validation fails, correctly marking its programmatic invalid state for screen readers. Other pages have no form submissions or error states.
<b>3.3.2 Labels or Instructions</b> (Level A)	Supports	The global search input has <code>&lt;label for="search"&gt;Search Legal Forms&lt;/label&gt;</code> with matching placeholder inside <code>&lt;form role="search" aria-label="Search Legal Forms"&gt;</code> . The per-page <code>&lt;select&gt;</code> on results pages has <code>aria-label="Select number of forms per page"</code> with self-describing options. The Form Package Download filter has visible <code>&lt;label&gt;</code> elements ("Marital status", "Are children present?") correctly associated via <code>for / id</code> , with clear instructional text. The Subscription page provides instructional text ("Please select your Subscription from the list below"). <b>Legal Definitions:</b> Search input has visually-hidden <code>&lt;label for="inputSearch"&gt;Search Legal Definitions&lt;/label&gt;</code> with <code>aria-describedby</code> hint text "Enter at least 3 characters to search legal terms and definitions". Checkbox has <code>&lt;label for="exactMatch"&gt;Exact word match&lt;/label&gt;</code> with <code>aria-describedby="exact-help"</code> providing additional context "When checked, only returns exact word matches". <b>Docprep Form Entry (page 22):</b> All 7 form fields have descriptive <code>&lt;label&gt;</code> elements; required fields are indicated by a visual asterisk icon and programmatic <code>aria-required="true"</code> / HTML <code>required</code> attributes; the "Purpose for Confidentiality" field includes a help instruction connected via <code>aria-describedby</code> ; the state <code>&lt;select&gt;</code> includes a descriptive default placeholder option "(Select State)".
<b>4.1.1 Parsing</b> (Level A)	Supports	Per the September 2023 WCAG 2.0/2.1 errata, this criterion is always considered satisfied. See WCAG 2.1 Editorial Errata.
<b>4.1.2 Name, Role, Value</b> (Level A)	Supports	All interactive elements across the site expose correct name, role, and value. <b>Search form:</b> <code>&lt;input type="search"&gt;</code> with <code>&lt;label&gt;</code> and <code>&lt;button type="submit"&gt;</code> . <b>Tab interfaces</b> (Home, Form Download, Form Package Download): <code>role="tablist"</code> , <code>role="tab"</code> with <code>aria-selected</code> , <code>aria-controls / id</code> pairing, <code>role="tabpanel"</code> with <code>aria-labelledby</code> , <code>tabindex</code> roving focus, <code>hidden</code> attribute management. <b>Dialog:</b> <code>role="dialog"</code> , <code>aria-label</code> , <code>aria-modal="true"</code> , close button. <b>Expandable buttons:</b> Mobile nav toggle, hamburger, footer accordion all use <code>aria-expanded</code> with <code>aria-controls</code> targeting verified DOM elements. <b>Select controls:</b> Expose <code>aria-label</code> and selected value. <b>Tables</b> (Form Package Download): <code>&lt;th scope="col"&gt;</code> , <code>aria-label</code> . <b>Pagination:</b> <code>&lt;a&gt;</code> elements with <code>aria-current="page"</code> on active pages. <b>Icons:</b> <code>role="img"</code> with descriptive <code>aria-label</code> on all functional icons. <b>Legal Definitions:</b> Search form uses <code>&lt;form role="search" aria-label="Search Legal Definitions"&gt;</code> with <code>&lt;input type="search"&gt;</code> , <code>&lt;label&gt;</code> , and <code>aria-describedby</code> ; checkbox uses <code>&lt;input type="checkbox"&gt;</code> with <code>&lt;label&gt;</code> and <code>aria-describedby</code> ; current letter uses <code>&lt;span aria-current="page"&gt;</code> with descriptive <code>aria-label</code> ; live region uses <code>&lt;div role="status" aria-live="polite" aria-atomic="true"&gt;</code> separated from heading structure. <b>Legal Q&amp;A:</b> All 361 subcategory links use <code>aria-label</code> beginning with visible text and appending parent context; the list has <code>aria-label="489 question categories and subcategories"</code> . <b>External links</b> (Tax Forms, External Links, Attorney Directory, Attorney Directory Listing): All use <code>target="_blank"</code> with <code>rel="noopener noreferrer"</code> and <code>sr-only/visually-hidden</code> new-window notification; lists and tables have descriptive <code>aria-label</code> including count and behavior. <b>Attorney Directory Listing:</b> Table has <code>aria-label="Attorney firms for Health Care in Kentucky"</code> with <code>&lt;th scope="col"&gt;</code> headers. <b>Article Content:</b> Semantic <code>&lt;article&gt;</code> element provides proper landmark; all interactive elements are native <code>&lt;a&gt;</code> elements with accessible names. <b>Docprep Complete Online (page 21):</b> All interactive elements are native <code>&lt;a&gt;</code> and <code>&lt;button&gt;</code> elements; breadcrumb <code>&lt;nav&gt;</code> has <code>aria-label="Breadcrumb"</code> ; sidebar <code>&lt;aside&gt;</code> uses <code>aria-labelledby="sidebar-</code>

	<p>heading" ; mobile menu dialog uses <code>role="dialog"</code> , <code>aria-modal="true"</code> , and <code>aria-label="Site navigation"</code> ; hamburger button uses <code>aria-expanded</code> (toggling true/false) and <code>aria-controls="mobile-nav"</code> ; "Multiple Forms" indicators use <code>role="note"</code> ; category index list uses <code>aria-label="40 form categories"</code> .</p> <p><b>Docprep Form Entry (page 22):</b> All form fields are native HTML elements (<code>&lt;input&gt;</code> , <code>&lt;select&gt;</code> ) with accessible names from associated <code>&lt;label&gt;</code> elements via <code>for / id</code> pairs; accessible names match visible label text (the "(read only)" <code>&lt;span&gt;</code> moved outside <code>&lt;label&gt;</code>); <code>&lt;form&gt;</code> has <code>aria-label="Confidentiality Agreement Form"</code> ; <code>&lt;nav aria-label="Form steps"&gt;</code> provides labeled navigation; required state conveyed via <code>aria-required="true"</code> ; error messages linked via <code>aria-describedby</code> ; <code>aria-invalid="true"</code> correctly set when validation fails and removed when resolved. <b>Docprep Download (page 23):</b> All interactive elements are native <code>&lt;button&gt;</code> and <code>&lt;a&gt;</code> elements; embedded PDF <code>&lt;object&gt;</code> has <code>aria-label="PDF version of your document"</code> with descriptive fallback content; informational banners use <code>role="status"</code> with <code>aria-live="polite"</code> ; button icons use <code>aria-hidden="true"</code> .</p>
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**Table 2: Success Criteria, Level AA**

Criteria	Conformance Level	Remarks and Explanations
<b>1.2.4 Captions (Live)</b> (Level AA)	Not Applicable	No live media is present.
<b>1.2.5 Audio Description (Prerecorded)</b> (Level AA)	Not Applicable	No prerecorded video is present.
<b>1.3.4 Orientation</b> (Level AA 2.1)	Supports	No CSS or scripts restrict any page to a particular orientation, including Docprep pages.
<b>1.3.5 Identify Input Purpose</b> (Level AA 2.1)	Supports	The main site's input fields (search, per-page selector, Will Forms filter dropdowns, Legal Definitions search, exact match checkbox) collect site-specific data, not personal information that maps to the HTML <code>autocomplete</code> attribute taxonomy. <b>Docprep Form Entry (page 22):</b> The form fields collecting user personal information have appropriate <code>autocomplete</code> attributes: "Your First Name" has <code>autocomplete="given-name"</code> , "Your Last Name" has <code>autocomplete="family-name"</code> , and "Email Address" has <code>autocomplete="email"</code> . These enable browsers and assistive technologies to auto-fill recognized personal data. The remaining fields (Company's Name, Contractor's Name, Purpose for Confidentiality, State) are context-specific business data not covered by the HTML <code>autocomplete</code> taxonomy.
<b>1.4.3 Contrast (Minimum)</b> (Level AA)	Supports	All text across all pages meets or exceeds WCAG AA contrast minimums. Representative ratios: <b>Body/heading text</b> rgb(51,51,51) on white = 12.63:1. <b>Body text (.text-secondary)</b> rgb(108,117,125) on white = 4.69:1 (17px, weight 300 — passes 4.5:1 minimum). <b>Links</b> rgb(15,91,143) on white = 7.21:1. <b>Links on gray heading bars</b> rgb(15,91,143) on rgb(238,238,238) = 6.21:1. <b>Highlighted search term</b> rgb(15,91,143) on yellow <code>&lt;mark&gt;</code> rgb(255,255,136) = 6.83:1. <b>Alert text</b> rgb(33,76,98) on rgb(209,236,241) = 7.46:1. <b>A-Z disabled letters</b> rgb(102,102,102) on rgb(246,246,246) = 5.31:1. <b>Active pagination</b> white on rgb(15,91,143) = 7.21:1. <b>Popular search buttons</b> white on rgb(40,96,144) = 6.63:1. <b>Tab</b>

		<p><b>labels</b> rgb(51,51,51) on rgb(245,245,245) = 11.59:1. <b>Breadcrumb links</b> rgb(85,85,85) on white = 7.46:1. <b>Mobile header icons</b> white on rgb(51,51,51) = 12.63:1. <b>Footer links</b> rgb(51,51,51) on white = 12.63:1. <b>Legal Definitions current letter</b> white on rgb(15,91,143) = 7.21:1. <b>Legal Definitions A-Z links</b> rgb(51,51,51) on white = 12.63:1. <b>Legal Definitions search button</b> white on rgb(40,96,144) = 6.63:1. <b>Q&amp;A arrow icons</b> rgb(15,91,143) on white = 7.21:1 (decorative, but exceeds 3:1 non-text contrast). <b>External-link icons</b> (External Links page) rgb(15,91,143) on white = 7.21:1. <b>Docprep Complete Online (page 21):</b> H2 headings rgb(51,51,51) on rgb(238,238,238) = 10.87:1; form links rgb(15,91,143) on white = 7.15:1. <b>Docprep Form Entry (page 22):</b> Form labels rgb(102,102,102) on white = 5.74:1; input text rgb(73,80,87) on white = 7.34:1; active step button white on rgb(40,96,144) = 6.63:1; error messages rgb(85,85,85) on rgb(255,230,155) = 6.05:1. <b>Docprep Download (page 23):</b> Alert banner text rgb(12,84,96) on rgb(209,236,241) = 6.9:1; Download DOCX button white on rgb(18,130,44) = 4.94:1; Return Home button rgb(33,37,41) on white = 14.7:1.</p>
<b>1.4.4 Resize Text</b> (Level AA)	Supports	All pages use viewport meta <code>width=device-width, initial-scale=1</code> with no <code>maximum-scale</code> or <code>user-scalable=no</code> restrictions. Text sizes use relative units, allowing browser zoom up to 200% without loss of content or functionality. Docprep pages include <code>shrink-to-fit=no</code> in the viewport meta.
<b>1.4.5 Images of Text</b> (Level AA)	Supports	The header logo and footer branding images contain text but are organizational logos, exempt under this criterion. FormsPass product badges are branding elements; essential form information is rendered as live text. Form preview images serve as supplementary visual aids — the actual form is available for download. All other text across the site is rendered as real text. <b>Docprep Complete Online (page 21):</b> The "Multiple Forms" badges are rendered as live text. <b>Docprep Download (page 23):</b> The embedded PDF preview is a rendered document, not an image of text.
<b>1.4.10 Reflow</b> (Level AA 2.1)	Supports	At 320px viewport width (equivalent to 400% zoom at 1280px), all main-site pages reflow to a single-column layout with no horizontal scrolling required — confirmed programmatically ( <code>scrollWidth === clientWidth</code> ). A-Z letter grid wraps (Home and Definitions), tabs and category lists stack, sidebar moves below content, footer collapses to accordion, tables remain readable, Legallife Articles two-column layout collapses to single column, Legal Q&A two-column list collapses to single column, Attorney Directory and Tax Forms four-column state grids collapse to two columns, Helpful Topics and External Links two-column layouts collapse to single column. Attorney Directory Listing table reflows within available width with both columns visible and descriptions wrapping naturally. Article Content page reflows to single column with text wrapping naturally. <b>Docprep pages tested at 375px viewport width: Complete Online (page 21):</b> Two-column category index collapses from <code>column-count: 2</code> to <code>column-count: 1</code> ; sidebar stacks below main content; no horizontal scrolling. <b>Form Entry (page 22):</b> Step indicators and form fields stack vertically; inputs and select dropdown span available width; action buttons remain accessible. <b>Download (page 23):</b> Action buttons stack within available width; PDF viewer adapts within container; alert banners wrap text naturally.
<b>1.4.11 Non-text Contrast</b> (Level AA 2.1)	Supports	Focus indicators across all pages (2px solid outline in rgb(0,95,204) or rgb(15,91,143) via <code>accessible.css</code> , with <code>outline-offset: 2px</code> ) provide strong visual contrast exceeding 3:1. Search input borders, tab boundaries, A-Z letter link borders, pagination active page boundaries, select dropdown borders (rgb(102,102,102) on white ≈ 5.73:1), and Apply/Clear button boundaries all exceed 3:1 against adjacent colors. On Legal Definitions, A-Z letter boxes have visible borders (rgb(118,118,118) on white ≈ 4.7:1), and search input, checkbox, and submit button all have visible borders/boundaries exceeding 3:1. On Legal Q&A, arrow icons at 7.21:1 exceed the 3:1 minimum. On External Links, external-link icons at 7.21:1 (decorative but well above minimum). <b>Docprep Complete Online (page 21):</b> Focus indicators via <code>accessible-docprep.css</code> exceed 3:1; hamburger menu icon and

		close button clearly visible against dark header background; "Multiple Forms" badge has high-contrast blue background with white text. <b>Docprep Form Entry (page 22):</b> Input field and <code>&lt;select&gt;</code> borders use <code>rgb(51,51,51)</code> on white, providing 12.63:1 contrast, well exceeding 3:1; focus indicators and invalid-state red borders ( <code>rgb(220,53,69)</code> ) provide strong contrast; active step indicator exceeds 3:1. <b>Docprep Download (page 23):</b> "Return Home" button border uses <code>rgb(102,102,102)</code> on white = 4.18:1, exceeding 3:1; "Download DOCX Format" button's solid green background ( <code>rgb(18,130,44)</code> ) provides strong contrast; PDF viewer toolbar has high-contrast icons.
<b>1.4.12 Text Spacing</b> (Level AA 2.1)	Supports	No CSS on any page prevents text spacing overrides. Content containers throughout the site use flexible sizing that accommodates increased letter spacing, word spacing, line height, and paragraph spacing. On Legal Definitions, A-Z letter boxes use flexbox centering, accommodating text reflow. Docprep form fields and content containers also use flexible sizing that accommodates text spacing overrides.
<b>1.4.13 Content on Hover or Focus</b> (Level AA 2.1)	Not Applicable	No additional content (tooltips, popovers, dropdowns) appears on hover or focus on any page. Browser-native <code>title</code> tooltips (present on download links and Law Digest <code>&lt;span class="page"&gt;</code> elements) are exempt from this criterion. On the Docprep mobile menu, the menu opens via explicit button activation, not on hover or focus. Docprep Form Entry validation errors appear on blur (loss of focus), not on hover or focus.
<b>2.4.5 Multiple Ways</b> (Level AA)	Supports	All pages are reachable through multiple navigation paths. The Home Page provides A-Z alphabetical browsing, tabbed category/sample search lists, sidebar navigation, global search, and popular search links. Content pages are reachable via search, category browsing, breadcrumb navigation, sidebar links, and direct URL. The Subscription page is reachable via primary navigation ("All State Subscriptions"), sidebar, and breadcrumb. Legal Definitions terms are accessible via A-Z letter browsing, the definition-specific search form, and global site search. Legal Q&A categories are accessible via the index page and global search. Attorney Directory, Helpful Topics, Tax Forms, External Links, and LegalLife Articles are each accessible via their respective sidebar navigation links and the global site search. Attorney Directory Listing pages are accessible via the Attorney Directory → state → practice area navigation path and sidebar link. Article Content pages are accessible via the sidebar "Helpful Topics" link, breadcrumb navigation, and site search. <b>Docprep Complete Online (page 21):</b> Reachable via sidebar navigation, breadcrumb trail, header quick links, and site search; within the page, individual form sections are accessible both via the category index anchor links and by scrolling. <b>Docprep Form Entry (page 22):</b> Reachable via sidebar navigation, breadcrumb trail, and direct link from the Louisiana forms list page. <b>Docprep Download (page 23):</b> Reachable via direct navigation after form submission and through the breadcrumb trail.
<b>2.4.6 Headings and Labels</b> (Level AA)	Supports	All headings across the site are descriptive: page-level H1s identify specific content (e.g., "Welcome to the Louisiana Legal Forms Library", "Louisiana Legal Forms - Animals", "Search results for tenant in the Louisiana Legal Forms Library", "Act of Cash Sale without Warranty", "Available Subscriptions", "Law Digest - Good Will", "LegalLife© Articles", "Legal Definitions", "Legal Questions and Answers", "Attorney Directory", "Helpful Topics", "Free Tax Forms", "Relevant External Links"). H2 sub-category headings organize results into meaningful groups (e.g., "Legal Terms starting with K", "Question Categories", "Federal Tax Forms", "State Tax Forms"). Sidebar H2s ("Gale Legal Forms", "Most Popular Legal Form Searches") are descriptive. Tab labels, form labels, and <code>aria-label</code> values throughout the site clearly describe their associated controls. List <code>aria-label</code> values on index pages include accurate item counts (e.g., "489 question categories and subcategories", "51 attorney directory states", "87 article links", "110 legal terms starting with K", "51 state tax form links open in new window", "6 Louisiana state links open in new window"). Table <code>aria-label</code> values provide full context (e.g., "Attorney firms for Health Care in Kentucky"). The H1 "Attorney Directory - Kentucky - Health Care" identifies state, practice

		<p>area, and page purpose. Article Content page H1 "Accidents and Injury" clearly identifies the topic. <b>Docprep Complete Online (page 21):</b> H1 "Complete Online: Louisiana Forms List" identifies page content and scope; H2 headings for each of 40+ categories (e.g., "Affidavits", "Animals", "Arbitration and Mediation") clearly label their form sections. <b>Docprep Form Entry (page 22):</b> H1 "Complete Legal Form: Confidentiality Agreement" identifies the form; H2 "Agreement Information" labels the current step; all form field labels clearly describe expected input. <b>Docprep Download (page 23):</b> H1 "Download Legal Form: Confidentiality Agreement" clearly identifies the page as a download/receipt page.</p>
<b>2.4.7 Focus Visible (Level AA)</b>	Supports	<p>All interactive elements on all pages display a visible focus indicator via the <code>:focus-visible</code> pattern in <code>accessible.css</code> (11 rules) and <code>accessible-docprep.css</code> for Docprep pages. The style applies a 2px solid <code>rgb(0,95,204)</code> or <code>rgb(15,91,143)</code> outline with 2px offset. The <code>:focus:not(:focus-visible)</code> rule removes outlines for mouse clicks while preserving them for keyboard navigation. Verified across all page types on links, buttons, tabs, select controls, checkboxes, search inputs, form inputs, and table links.</p>
<b>3.1.2 Language of Parts (Level AA)</b>	Supports	<p>All content across the site is in English, consistent with <code>lang="en"</code>. The Spanish availability notice on the Home Page is written in English (describes availability, does not contain Spanish text). Spanish download link labels on Form Download pages are also in English. No passages in other languages are present on Docprep pages.</p>
<b>3.2.3 Consistent Navigation (Level AA)</b>	Supports	<p>Header navigation (logo, quick links, search), sidebar navigation, popular search links, breadcrumb, and footer links appear in the same relative order across all pages site-wide. Docprep pages maintain consistent sidebar navigation, breadcrumb, header quick links, and footer navigation. The Docprep hamburger mobile menu contains the same navigation options available in the desktop header and footer. <b>Docprep Form Entry (page 22):</b> Action button placement (Cancel left, Previous/Next right) is consistent across form pages.</p>
<b>3.2.4 Consistent Identification (Level AA)</b>	Supports	<p>The search form, sidebar navigation, popular search links, breadcrumb navigation, pagination controls, per-page selectors, download link patterns, and footer links use consistent labels and behavior across all pages. Subscription links follow the same naming pattern ("[State] Legal Forms"). Icon patterns (Spanish asterisk, official form) are consistent site-wide. External links consistently implement <code>target="_blank"</code> with <code>rel="noopener noreferrer"</code> and <code>sr-only/visually-hidden</code> "(opens in new window)" notification across Attorney Directory, Attorney Directory Listing, Tax Forms, and External Links pages. Docprep pages use the same sidebar navigation, breadcrumb, and footer patterns as the main site; form field styling and validation patterns are consistent across Docprep form pages.</p>
<b>3.3.3 Error Suggestion (Level AA)</b>	Supports	<p>The global search form does not produce inline errors; search results pages handle empty/invalid queries. Filter controls use pre-populated valid <code>&lt;select&gt;</code> options. The Legal Definitions search uses <code>aria-describedby</code> to proactively guide input requirements. <b>Docprep Form Entry (page 22):</b> Error messages provide specific suggestions: "This field is required" for empty required fields and "Please enter a valid email address" for the email field, clearly indicating what the user needs to do. No other error states are possible across the site.</p>
<b>3.3.4 Error Prevention (Legal, Financial, Data) (Level AA)</b>	Supports	<p>No legal, financial, or data transactions occur on main-site pages. Subscription selection links navigate to a separate authentication/confirmation page. <b>Docprep Form Entry (page 22):</b> The form uses a multi-step wizard with a "Verify and Submit" step (Step 2) that allows users to review their entries before final submission, providing a review mechanism before the legal form is generated. The Previous button allows returning to the data entry step to make corrections.</p>
	Supports	

**4.1.3 Status Messages**  
(Level AA 2.1)

**Home Page:** The Spanish availability notice uses `role="alert"` for automatic screen reader announcement. Tab panel changes are tracked via `aria-labelledby` associations. **Search/Category Results:** The results count element (e.g., "1 to 20 of 103 forms") has `aria-live="polite"`, announcing updates when per-page selection changes without moving focus. **Legal Definitions:** A `<div role="status" aria-live="polite" aria-atomic="true">` is available for dynamic announcements if AJAX-based letter filtering is implemented; the terms list `aria-label` includes the count ("110 legal terms starting with K"). The `.page.messages` container (unused Magento framework artifact) is present but empty across all pages and does not generate status messages. **Docprep Form Entry (page 22):** Validation error messages use `aria-live="assertive"` to announce dynamically when they appear, ensuring screen readers are notified without requiring a focus change. **Docprep Download (page 23):** Two informational banners ("Download your completed Legal Form below." and "Review, Print and Download a PDF version of your document below.") use `role="status"` with `aria-live="polite"`, ensuring screen readers announce these messages politely when the page loads after form submission — appropriate for non-urgent informational content.

## What's Working Well

### Global Infrastructure

- **Skip link** ("Skip to Main Content") present and visible on keyboard focus across all pages, targeting `#maincontent`
- **Landmark structure** is comprehensive and consistent: `banner`, `main`, `complementary`, `contentinfo`, `search`, all uniquely labeled navigation regions
- `accessible.css` provides 11 `:focus-visible` rules with 2px solid outline and 2px offset, plus `:focus:not(:focus-visible)` to suppress outlines on mouse click — applied consistently across all main-site page types
- `accessible-docprep.css` provides equivalent `:focus-visible` styles for all Docprep page types
- `<html lang="en">` declared on all pages
- **Viewport** allows zoom on all pages (`width=device-width`, `initial-scale=1` without restrictions)
- **All contrast ratios** exceed WCAG AA minimums across the site (lowest passing ratio: 4.69:1 on `.text-secondary body text`)
- **Content reflows** at 320px (main site) and 375px (Docprep) viewport widths with no horizontal scrolling on all pages
- **DOM order matches visual presentation** on all pages

### Global Header

- **Logo** with descriptive `alt="Gale Legal Forms Library - Go to home page"` inside link
- **Quick links** navigation: `<nav aria-label="Quick links">` with icons `aria-hidden="true"` and visible text labels
- **Search form:** `<form role="search" aria-label="Search Legal Forms">` with properly associated `<label>` and `<input>`
- **Mobile header:** All buttons have `aria-label`, `aria-expanded`, and `aria-controls` with verified targets
- **Mobile dialog:** `role="dialog"`, `aria-label="Site navigation"`, `aria-modal="true"` with close button

### Global Sidebar

- `<aside aria-labelledby="sidebar-heading">` with `<nav aria-label="Site navigation">`
- `<ul aria-label="13 popular form searches">` with descriptive `aria-label` values on each link
- **Popular search buttons:** white text on `rgb(40,96,144)` = 6.63:1 contrast

## Global Footer

- **Mobile accordion:** `<button aria-expanded>` controlling `<nav aria-label="Footer">`
- **Desktop navigation:** Three `<nav>` elements with unique labels ("Support links", "Legal links", "Additional links")
- **Branding images** with alt text and copyright notice

## Breadcrumb (All Pages)

- `<nav aria-label="Breadcrumb">` with `<ol>` and `aria-current="page"` on terminal items
- First link enhanced with `aria-label="Legal Forms Library - Go to Home Page"`
- Breadcrumbs range from two to four levels depending on page context (e.g., External Links has three: Legal Forms Library → Louisiana Legal Forms → External Links; Attorney Directory Listing has four: Legal Forms Library → Attorney Directory → Kentucky Practice Areas → Health Care; Docprep Form Entry has three: Legal Forms Library → Complete Online: Louisiana Forms List → Confidentiality Agreement)

## Home Page

- **A-Z alphabetical navigation** with expanded `aria-label` on links and `aria-disabled="true"` on inactive letters
- **Tabbed interface** with full ARIA tab pattern: `tablist`, `tab`, `tabpanel`, proper cross-references, roving focus, `hidden` attribute
- **Spanish alert banner** with `role="alert"` for automatic screen reader announcement
- **Category/search lists** with descriptive `aria-label` values including item counts

## Search and Category Results

- **Results grouped in semantic `<ul>` / `<li>` lists** under H2 headings — screen readers announce counts per category
- **Spanish/official form icons** consistently use `role="img"` with descriptive `aria-label` on every individual occurrence
- **Dual pagination `<nav>` regions** with `<ol>`, `aria-current="page"`, and `aria-label` on all icon links
- **Per-page selector** fully accessible with `aria-label`, self-describing options, and `aria-describedby` advisory
- **Results count** uses `aria-live="polite"` for dynamic announcement
- **Category heading links** include visually hidden "- View all forms in this category" text

## Form Download Pages

- **Tab interface is exemplary** — full ARIA tab pattern with Arrow key navigation
- **Download links** combine visible text + `.visually-hidden` context + `title` — full accessible name communicates format, language, and new-window behavior
- **Form metadata** in semantic `<dl>` / `<dt>` / `<dd>` structure
- **Category separator** uses `aria-hidden="true"` icon with `.sr-only` text alternative
- **Preview images** have descriptive "Form Preview: Page N: [Form Name]" alt text

## Form Package Download Page

- **Tables are well-structured** — all use `<thead>`, `<th scope="col">`, and `aria-label`
- **Filter controls are fully accessible** — visible `<label>` elements properly associated, no auto-submission, clear instructions
- **Optional section** uses `<section aria-labelledby="optional-heading">` landmark
- **All 14 decorative Font Awesome icons** have `aria-hidden="true"`

## Law Digest Page

- **Imported encyclopedia headings properly demoted** via `role="heading"` with `aria-level` overrides
- **Source page numbers are non-intrusive** — `title` attributes on `<span class="page">` without disrupting reading flow

## Subscription and LegalLife Articles Pages

- **Clean semantic markup** — proper `<ul>` with `aria-label` and `<li>` structure
- **Consistent naming patterns** across all state subscription links
- CSS `column-count: 2` layout on LegalLife Articles collapses correctly at narrow viewports

## Legal Definitions Page

- **A-Z alphabetical navigation** in `<nav aria-label="Alphabetical legal terms selection">` with `<ul>` of 26 `<li>` items — screen readers announce "list, 26 items"
- Each letter link has `aria-label="Legal terms starting with [letter]"`; current letter uses non-interactive `<span>` with `aria-current="page"` and descriptive `aria-label`
- **Definition search form** with `<form role="search" aria-label="Search Legal Definitions">`, properly associated `<label>`, `aria-describedby` hint text, submit button, and checkbox with `<label>` and additional `aria-describedby` context
- **Heading and live region properly separated** — plain `<h2>` for document outline and distinct `<div role="status" aria-live="polite" aria-atomic="true">` for future dynamic announcements
- **Terms list** with `<ul aria-label="110 legal terms starting with K">` — accurate count informs screen reader users

## Legal Q&A Page

- **Subcategory `aria-label` pattern is excellent** — all 361 subcategory links consistently follow "[visible text], subcategory of [parent category]", programmatically conveying hierarchy, satisfying 2.5.3 (Label in Name), and enriching 2.4.4 (Link Purpose)
- `<ul aria-label="489 question categories and subcategories">` — total count informs screen reader users
- Category links use visible text directly — no unnecessary `aria-label` overrides
- H2 chevron and subcategory arrow icons are decorative with `aria-hidden="true"`
- Two-column layout collapses to single column at 320px

## Attorney Directory Page

- `<ul aria-label="51 attorney directory states">` with descriptive state name links
- `<strong>Disclaimer:</strong>` correctly conveys emphasis
- External sign-up link includes `target="_blank"`, `rel="noopener noreferrer"`, and sr-only "(opens in new window)" notification
- Four-column grid collapses to two columns at mobile

## Helpful Topics Page

- `<ul aria-label="87 article links">` — accurate count after audit correction (was "10")
- All 87 items with descriptive topic name links in alphabetical order
- Two-column grid collapses to single column at mobile

## Tax Forms Page

- Clean H1 → H2 → H2 hierarchy: "Free Tax Forms" → "Federal Tax Forms" → "State Tax Forms"
- **All 53 external links** consistently implement `target="_blank"`, `rel="noopener noreferrer"`, and `sr-only` "(opens in new window)"
- State list `aria-label` communicates count, content, and new-window behavior: "51 state tax form links open in new window"
- Federal section provides contextual paragraph before IRS resource links

## External Links Page

- New-window behavior communicated at **three levels**: introductory paragraph, individual link `sr-only` text, and list `aria-label`
- `<ul aria-label="6 Louisiana state links open in new window">` — count, scope, and behavior communicated
- All 6 links use decorative external-link icons with `aria-hidden="true"`
- Three-level breadcrumb (Legal Forms Library → Louisiana Legal Forms → External Links) reflecting state-specific context

## Attorney Directory Listing Page

- **Deepest breadcrumb in the site** — four levels: Legal Forms Library → Attorney Directory → Kentucky Practice Areas → Health Care
- **Table structure is well-formed** — `<table aria-label="Attorney firms for Health Care in Kentucky">` with `<thead>`, `<th scope="col">` for "Firm" and "City", `<tbody>` for data, and `<td colspan="2">` for description rows
- All 9 firm links use `target="_blank"`, `rel="noopener noreferrer"`, and `<span class="visually-hidden">(opens in new window)</span>` (functionally identical to `sr-only`)
- Standard disclaimer with `<strong>Disclaimer:</strong>` label and external link following same pattern
- Table reflows cleanly at 320px — both columns visible, descriptions wrap naturally

## Article Content Page (Accidents and Injury)

- **Semantic `<article>` element** wraps the article content — proper landmark for screen reader navigation
- Clean H1 → H2 hierarchy: "Accidents and Injury" → sidebar H2s with no skipped levels
- Body text uses proper `<p>` elements for all paragraphs
- `<strong>` used appropriately for emphasis on "Subtopics" label
- All interactive elements are standard `<a>` elements (inherently keyboard-accessible)
- Article body contains no interactive elements — focus correctly skips from breadcrumb to sidebar

## Docprep Complete Online: Louisiana Forms List

- **Logical heading hierarchy**: H1 "Complete Online: Louisiana Forms List" → 40+ H2 category headings with no skipped levels
- **Top-level category index** uses `<ul aria-label="40 form categories">` providing descriptive list context for screen readers, with anchor links (`#Affidavits`, `#Animals`, etc.) serving as an in-page table of contents
- Each form category section uses proper H2 heading followed by semantic `<ul>` list structure
- **"Multiple Forms" indicators** use `role="note"` with descriptive badge text and `<ol>` sub-lists for form variants
- Form links use `text-decoration: underline` for non-color link identification
- All contrast ratios exceed WCAG AA minimums (12.63:1 for body/heading text, 10.87:1 for H2 on gray, 7.15:1 for form links)
- Two-column category index collapses to single column at 375px viewport width

- **Excellent mobile menu implementation:** `div[role="dialog"][aria-modal="true"]` with `inert` attribute applied to all non-dialog page regions when open — providing proper focus confinement without JavaScript focus trap overhead
- Hamburger button correctly uses `aria-expanded` (true/false) and `aria-controls="mobile-nav"`
- Escape key closes mobile menu dialog
- 8 distinctly labeled `<nav>` regions across the page

## Docprep Complete Legal Form: Confidentiality Agreement — Form Entry

- `<form aria-label="Confidentiality Agreement Form">` provides a labeled form landmark for screen reader navigation
- All 7 form field `<label>` elements properly associated with inputs via matching `for / id` pairs
- **Accessible names match visible label text** — the "(read only)" `<span>` has been moved outside the `<label>` element
- All required fields programmatically marked with both `required` and `aria-required="true"`
- Required field asterisk icons hidden from assistive technology with `aria-hidden="true"`
- **Error messages connected to inputs** via `aria-describedby` with `aria-live="assertive"` for dynamic announcement
- `aria-invalid="true"` set on inputs when validation fails — synchronized with the `is-invalid` CSS class
- `autocomplete` attributes present on personal data fields: `autocomplete="given-name"`, `autocomplete="family-name"`, `autocomplete="email"`
- Email field uses `type="email"` for browser-native validation and mobile keyboard optimization
- State selection uses a native `<select>` element — inherently keyboard-accessible
- Input field and `<select>` borders use `rgb(51,51,51)` — providing 12.63:1 contrast, well exceeding 3:1 minimum
- Multi-step wizard provides a "Verify and Submit" step for review before final submission (WCAG 3.3.4 compliance)
- `<nav aria-label="Form steps">` provides labeled navigation landmark
- Empty verify-step `<section>` elements have `aria-hidden="true"` — preventing screen reader landmark clutter
- Content reflows cleanly at 375px viewport width

## Docprep Download Legal Form: Confidentiality Agreement — Download/Receipt

- H1 "Download Legal Form: Confidentiality Agreement" clearly identifies the page purpose
- **Two informational banners** use `role="status"` with `aria-live="polite"` — screen readers announce download instructions politely after form completion, appropriate for non-urgent content
- "Return Home" button border uses `rgb(102,102,102)` — providing 4.18:1 contrast, exceeding 3:1 minimum
- "Download DOCX Format" button uses descriptive text with decorative `aria-hidden="true"` checkmark icon
- **Embedded PDF preview** uses `<object>` with `aria-label="PDF version of your document"` and descriptive fallback content with direct PDF link
- PDF.js viewer provides keyboard-accessible toolbar for navigation, zoom, print, and download
- `<main id="maincontent" tabindex="-1">` — skip link transfers focus directly to main content
- All text contrast ratios exceed WCAG AA minimums (12.63:1 for H1, 6.9:1 for status banners, 4.94:1 for download button, 14.7:1 for Return Home button)
- Content reflows cleanly at 375px viewport width

## Legal Disclaimer

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*This report reflects the accessibility conformance of the Gale Legal Forms Library as of the final verification on March 12, 2026. This follows initial testing of main-site pages (February 6–8, 2026), Docprep modules (March 6, 2026), and targeted remediation testing (March 12, 2026).*