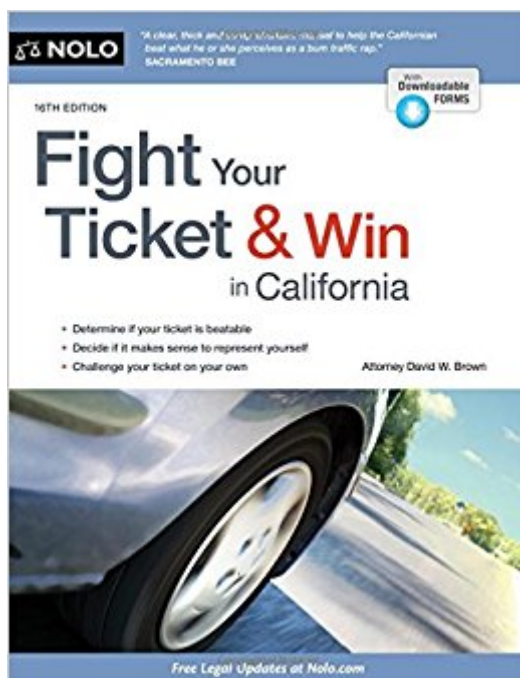


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# Fight Your Ticket & Win In California



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This best-selling, plain English guide will help you avoid costly ticket fines and increases in insurance rates. *Fight Your Ticket & Win in California* covers every violation, including speeding violations, driving under the influence, and even parking violations. The book will help you figure out when you should fight your ticket and when you should just pay your fine, how to get your case dismissed, how to prepare your defense in traffic court, and whether you should appeal an unfavorable decision. *Fight Your Ticket & Win in California* has been completely updated to reflect the most recent changes in California law and includes the forms you will need to fight your ticket in court.

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"Learn how to challenge speeding tickets, how to determine if a ticket is beatable before going to court, how to assemble evidence and present a case, and how to appeal a conviction."

Bookwatch "A clear, thick and comprehensive manual to help the Californian beat what he or she perceives as a bum traffic rap." Sacramento Bee

You can challenge a traffic ticket So you just got a traffic ticket. Want to fight it? Want to figure out whether it's worth fighting? Want to determine whether to hire a lawyer? *Fight Your Ticket & Win in California* will guide you through each step of the process, from reading the ticket to learning defenses to navigating court. This book covers all kinds of California driving violations, including:

speeding running a red light driving with a suspended license reckless driving drunk driving Now in its 16th edition, Fight Your Ticket & Win in California is comprehensively updated to reflect the most recent changes in the law. And it has legal forms for fighting your ticket.

This book was a great help in getting me off the hook for a 22349(a), Maximum Speed Law charge. I used a combination of this book and boilerplate freely available online to serve the prosecuting attorney with Informal Discovery. In my case, the City Attorney (San Diego) was the prosecuting attorney and they failed to respond to my discovery request within the 20 days required by Penal Code Section 1054. I got a letter from the City Attorney on the DAY OF the trial, the afternoon after the court proceedings where I was able to successfully get the court to continue the case and require the prosecution to respond. I was instructed by the court to send them my discovery request again, serve them with moving papers and a copy of the court's Minute Orders indicating that the City Attorney had a deadline to respond 1 week before the new trial date. They sent nothing. Went back to court today armed to get the case dismissed on procedural grounds alone, but also prepared to argue the facts and law surrounding the case from the other chapters. The court reviewed my Notice of Motion (at great lengths), checked out my Proof of Service and USPS Return Receipt and concluded that the City Attorney had clearly received my first Informal Discovery request evidenced by their tardy response, that they had now had 2 opportunities and ample time to respond ( "Two bites at the apple" as the judge put it) and had also ignored the court's response deadline. I have a feeling the judge was looking for a reason to still get the case to trial, but had to dismiss the case in the interest of justice because I was denied due process by the prosecution. There will be things outside of this book that will come up. In my case, the court wouldn't set the hearing before the trial date for my motion to compel, so I had to make it on the day of the trial. The book also instructs you when making notice of motions to file them with the court and have your copies file-stamped to indicate that the originals are with the court. The business office at my court refused to file the originals and file stamp my copies and insisted that I drop it off in their mailbox to have to sent "downtown" (which serves no purpose for the court hearing the case). Yet, the judge asked me if I had filed the notice with the court and I had to explain that the business office refused to accept it. The court also made copies of the officers notes, front and back for me during the first appearance before the judge instead of requiring that the City Attorney provide them (I also asked for a list of witnesses for the prosecution and speedometer calibration records). Instead of needing to utilize the order templates to compel the City Attorney to respond, the court used their minute orders to indicate their desires to the prosecution. Basically, the court will

likely diverge slightly from how the book said things are done and the leeway given to the defense and prosecution will be largely at the Judge's discretion. The book also suggests attempting to get the court to assess monetary sanctions for failure to provide discovery. In my case, the judge wouldn't have any of it and indicated that my dismissal was the appropriate enough sanction. There's a lot of work to follow the book, but I think once you've done it once you can fight any tickets you get from that point forward shooting from the hip.

David, thank you. This is the 2nd time I have purchased this fantastic book. The reason??? Well, my previous ticket was so long ago I wanted to make sure nothing had changed, plus I'm always happy to support someone who tells it like it is. Had my Court appearance yesterday.....FIRST ON THE DOCKET AND FIRST TO BE DISMISSED. YES, THAT'S RIGHT. I FOLLOWED HIS DIRECTIONS AND JUST LIKE LAST TIME, AS THE JUDGE SAID "YOU'RE OUTTA HERE, HAVE A GREAT DAY!!!"

Great book! It helped me to get prepared for the court and successfully fight my speeding ticket

Good information. Did a trial by mail and the superior court clerk was impressed with the proper form. I won and it saved me \$375

I wouldn't have had a clue how to present a case without this book. With it, I won a \$10,000.00 case without going to court.

Wasn't particularly helpful in my last case, but seems to be well written.

Good guidelines for approaching the issues involved in defending oneself.

Big, excellent book to fight this dollar grabbing scam.

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