Dispute Resolution Enhanced: How Arbitrators and Mediators Can Harness Generative AI

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Introduction

The legal world has been buzzing with discussions about the potentials of artificial intelligence (AI), especially in its aid to advocates. However, a significant yet less discussed transformation is unfolding within the offices of arbitrators and mediators. This article, penned by the AI Working Group assembled by the American Arbitration Association (AAA), seeks to shine a light on this nuanced application of AI technology in the world of neutral decision-making and alternative dispute resolution (ADR). The authors are arbitrators serving on AAA’s panels, and we have collectively put these tools to use in arbitrations and mediations, both as neutrals and as advocates.

While fears and speculations abound regarding AI’s potential to replace human judgment, our current perspective is not about replacement, but rather enhancement. For the arbitrator and mediator, generative AI stands as a promising tool to enhance efficiency, offer deeper insights, and provide a level of precision previously unattainable.

This article begins with an examination of contemporary applications for generative AI within the domain of arbitration and mediation, identifying specific purposes for which neutrals can use this technology to benefit the parties before them. We also

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1 Together with AAA staff members, the authors, who are all AAA panelists, comprise AAA’s AI Working Group. The content of this article was finalized in early November 2023.

2 In the spirit of our exploration, we used ChatGPT-4 to assist us in drafting this article’s title, introduction, and conclusion, exemplifying the very blend of human expertise and machine capabilities we discuss in this article.
compare various AI tools’ effectiveness at these tasks. While OpenAI’s ChatGPT may be the most widely recognized generative AI platform, there are others, including some that have been tailored for the legal industry. Then, we transition to prospective applications, offering insights into potential future developments in this intersection of technology and dispute resolution.

Current Uses

Large language models (LLMs) represent a remarkable advancement in the realm of generative AI. These models are trained on vast and diverse data sets sourced from a wide array of materials, including books, images, and web content. LLMs, such as the generative pre-trained transformers (GPT), serve as the foundation for platforms like ChatGPT and Anthropic’s Claude. Generative AI’s Natural Language Processing capacity means it can “understand,” interpret, and generate human language at an advanced level. Its level of “understanding” can be quite deep; it can identify patterns, relationships, and anomalies within document training sets. And, importantly, AI can perform those tasks at a herculean scale within a matter of minutes (or less).

1. Document Analysis and Comparison
   
a. Document Analysis Applications

   Like most legal work, arbitrations and mediations can be document intensive, which creates enormous opportunities to use LLMs. Here, we offer a few ways in which arbitrators and mediators can use AI to improve the quality and efficiency of their work.3

   Search and Index: At the most basic level—perhaps offering an ideal entry point for AI newbies—neutrals can use this feature to answer substantive questions about a large document set’s contents. Because AI retrieves relevant content based on meaning, it is far more effective than a tool that simply finds exact word

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3 We are not addressing the separate issues of disclosure or independence associated with the use of AI by neutrals. We are identifying use cases.
matches. For example, in preparing for a hearing, an arbitrator could upload the case documents and ask AI to comb them all for a particular fact. Some AI tools, as we discuss in more detail below, link directly to their sources within the document set, directing the neutral to the relevant page(s), so she can read the information firsthand. These tools will even compile the basis for their answers from various sources when the subject matter has been addressed in multiple exhibits and filings. AI’s speed allows a neutral to use these tools in real time; for instance, by typing in a question raised about an expert’s report during a hearing to navigate directly to the responsive section rather than flipping through pages or having to pause the hearing to ask for page numbers.

Compare Content: These tools can also analyze the similarities and differences between positions taken in various documents. An arbitrator could prompt the tool to identify evidentiary inconsistencies across multiple deposition transcripts, or a mediator could prepare for a session by asking the tool to identify the parties’ overlapping interests.

Contract Review: Some AI platforms have been specially trained to analyze contracts. With these tools, neutrals can home in on contract provisions that govern the dispute resolution process, even if that text is scattered throughout the contract.

Summarize: AI tools can summarize documents with varying levels of detail. Neutrals can put this to use to create outlines that guide neutrals to key sections without requiring them to spend (and bill) time digging through extraneous text. For instance, a mediator could generate a detailed summary of a preliminary injunction hearing transcript to grasp efficiently the procedural history of the case. Or, where counsel have pointed to excerpts of a deposition, an arbitrator could generate a comprehensive summary of the full deposition transcript to direct him to additional sections he should read before deciding a substantive motion.

Timeline Generation: During an arbitration hearing or a mediation, many neutrals like to refer to timelines. When counsel did not provide them, we used to have to manually identify, compile, and order the various dates. But, after reviewing the entire document set, AI can digest that information for us and generate a timeline of the case’s events.
**b. Platform Comparison: Document Summary**

This section compares query results from the Generative AI models Casetext’s CoCounsel,⁴ Anthropic’s Claude Pro,⁵ and OpenAI’s ChatGPT-4.⁶

First, we compare CoCounsel’s and Claude’s summaries of the proposed “Restricting the Emergence of Security Threats that Risk Information and Communications Technology Act” or “The RESTRICT Act.”⁷ Then, we compare CoCounsel’s and ChatGPT-4’s summaries of an Intellectual Property Cross-License Agreement.

**i. CoCounsel vs. Claude: Summarizing**

1) CoCounsel Summary—The RESTRICT Act

CoCounsel acts as an AI legal assistant and has been identified as a generative AI model currently used in arbitration.⁸ From the CoCounsel Skills options, the Summarize Skill was chosen. As shown in the screenshot below, the skill generates three levels of detail: (1) Brief Summary (High level overview of document in 1-3 paragraphs), (2) Detailed Summary (Multi-page detailed summary that includes all important information from the documents), or (3) Comprehensive Summary (Page by page summary of the document, for comprehensive overview). The Comprehensive Summary was chosen.

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⁴ Casetext’s CoCounsel 2.0 Beta, October 2023 version, https://casetext.com/v2/cocounsel. Casetext provided AAA’s AI Working Group, including the authors of this report, CoCounsel subscriptions in conjunction with our exploration of using AI in arbitrations and mediations.


CoCounsel produced a 16-page Comprehensive Summary report of The RESTRICT Act, a 55-page document. The Comprehensive Summary listed pages 1 to 55 with each page providing defined key items in three to four bulleted paragraphs. Key points excerpted from the summary:

- The bill, S. 686, would authorize the Secretary of Commerce to review and prohibit certain transactions between the U.S. and foreign adversaries.
- The bill further clarifies the definition of “covered transaction” to include current, past, or potential future transactions.
- The bill also defines “entity” broadly to include a variety of organizations, such as firms, governments, labor unions, and corporations.
- The bill defines “holding” as an equity interest, stock, security, share, partnership interest, interest in a limited liability company, membership interest, or any participation, right, or other equivalent.
- The bill defines “information and communications technology products or services” as any hardware, software, or other product or service that enables information or data processing, storage, retrieval, or communication.
- The bill defines “transaction” broadly, encompassing any acquisition, importation, transfer, installation, dealing in,
or use of any information and communications technology (ICT) product or service.
- The document also outlines civil forfeiture procedures, which allow for the seizure and forfeiture of any property used to commit or facilitate a violation, as well as any proceeds from the violation.
- The document outlines criminal forfeiture procedures, which include the forfeiture of any property used to commit or facilitate a violation, as well as any proceeds from the violation.

2) Claude Summary—The RESTRICT Act

When prompted to summarize the Act and report results, Claude produced a one-and-one-half-page summary. Key points excerpted from the summary:

The Restrict Act is a proposed bill that would authorize the Secretary of Commerce to review and prohibit certain transactions between persons in the United States and foreign adversaries that pose risks to US national security. Some key points:

- It defines “covered transactions” broadly to include any transactions with foreign adversaries that could pose national security risks. This includes China, Russia, Iran, North Korea, Cuba, and Venezuela.
- The Secretary of Commerce can prohibit or impose mitigation measures on covered transactions that pose undue risks. This includes risks of sabotage, effects on critical infrastructure, election interference, or other national security risks.
- The Secretary can also identify “covered holdings”—controlling holdings in ICT companies by foreign adversaries—that pose risks and refer them to the President for potential divestment or other mitigation measures.
- The bill establishes procedures for reviews, enforcement, and judicial oversight of the Secretary's prohibitions or mitigation measures. However, the scope of judicial review is limited.
- It aims to address national security risks from foreign ownership and control of ICT and critical
infrastructure companies. The goal is to authorize stricter prohibitions and divestment requirements for covered transactions and holdings.

In summary, The Restrict Act would significantly expand the government’s ability to block or mitigate foreign investment in US ICT companies that is deemed to pose national security risks. It reflects broader concerns about foreign influence in critical technology sectors.

3) Observations about CoCounsel’s and Claude’s Summary Functions

Both CoCounsel and Claude summarized the provisions of The RESTRICT Act, underscoring salient points applicable to proposed prohibitions on certain transactions. Each model reported results with efficiency. The speed of results from the Claude model was quicker than that of CoCounsel. The difference may be attributed to the selection of the CoCounsel Comprehensive Summary skill that reports an extensive page-by-page summary of the document for a comprehensive overview. Regardless of the speed of output, both generative AI models produced results that would inform neutrals and enhance their specialized expertise, where stakeholders identify that “specialized/expert decision-making” is a top benefit of arbitration.9

The CoCounsel report outlined in more specific detail the terms, requirements, and sanctions of The RESTRICT Act as those sections relate to information and communications technology products and services transactions. The proposed sanctions are relevant to the efficacy of arbitral processes. “Increasingly, US sanctions are giving rise to commercial disputes (many of which are subject to mandatory arbitration agreements) and even beginning to interfere with the smooth functioning of ongoing arbitration proceedings.”10


ii. CoCounsel vs. ChatGPT-4: Summarizing and Analyzing

Here, we compare the abilities of CoCounsel and ChatGPT-4 when prompted to summarize and analyze a complex 15-page document, “Intellectual Property Cross-License Agreement,” dated June 30, 2023, which was selected at random for the test from the Edgar Archives.

The upload process for CoCounsel was simple and straightforward, unlike the upload process for ChatGPT-4, which was difficult and complex. OpenAI is working on that, but as of October 2023, they still have a long way to go. Here is a screenshot of the CoCounsel upload page. As you can see, they make it very easy.

We started by asking both CoCounsel and ChatGPT-4 to prepare a detailed summary of the License Agreement. As described above, the CoCounsel software offers a choice between a brief, detailed, or comprehensive summary of a document. ChatGPT-4 does not have such guidance, or limitation, depending how you look at it. You can ask anything about a document, once you finally get it uploaded.

Both AIs provided a good, detailed summary, but, in actuality, that was not too helpful for this document. We could skim the standard terms and conditions of the document manually in the same time and learn as much. It was mostly familiar boilerplate that we had seen many times before.

A shorter summary of a document would be more helpful for a busy attorney or arbitrator. So next we asked CoCounsel for a Brief Summary. Here is the result:

This document is an Intellectual Property Cross-License Agreement between four companies. It defines key terms such as “Intellectual Property,” “Licensed IP,” “Licensee,” “SpinCo Field,” and “SpinCo Licensed IP.” The agreement outlines the license grants to SpinCo Licensee and Parent Licensee, as well as the rights and restrictions related to sublicensing, reservation of rights, and assignment of licensed IP. It also addresses intellectual property ownership, the prohibition against challenging ownership, and the prosecution, maintenance, and enforcement of intellectual property rights. The agreement covers confidentiality, disclaimers of warranties, limitations of liability, and indemnification. It also outlines the term and termination of the agreement, and contains miscellaneous provisions such as the entire agreement clause, third-party beneficiaries, and notices.

We also prompted ChatGPT-4 for a brief summary. Here is the result:

The document is an “Intellectual Property Cross-License Agreement” dated June 30, 2023, involving multiple parties: BORGWARNER INC., DELPHI TECHNOLOGIES IP LIMITED, PHINIA TECHNOLOGIES, INC., and BORGWARNER LUXEMBOURG OPERATIONS S.A.R.L.

Key highlights:

1. **Definitions:** The agreement meticulously defines key terms such as “Affiliate,” “Confidential Information,” “Intellectual Property,” “Licensee,” and “Licensor,” among others.
2. **License Grants:** Both Parent Licensors and SpinCo Licensors grant nonexclusive, perpetual, nontransferable, sublicensable, worldwide, royalty-free licenses to operate in specific fields. The licenses are also bound by certain limitations.
3. **Sublicensing:** The agreement permits sublicensing under stringent conditions, including the protection of Confidential Information.
4. **Indemnification:** Both Parent and SpinCo parties are obligated to indemnify each other against losses arising from breaches of the agreement.

5. **Miscellaneous Provisions:** This section serves as a catch-all for various legal and procedural elements, including the entire agreement clause, third-party beneficiaries, and notices.

6. **Interlocking with Separation Agreement:** The document also refers to a separate “Separation Agreement,” and in the event of any conflict, the terms of this IP License Agreement will control.

The document is a comprehensive legal framework that outlines the scope, limitations, and responsibilities associated with intellectual property licensing between the involved parties. It also integrates terms from a separate “Separation Agreement,” making it a complex, interlocking legal document.

Would you like to delve into any other aspects?

The summary by ChatGPT-4 provided more information, but was still concise. We would give the edge this time to ChatGPT-4 over CoCounsel. Still, we do not think short summaries like this have much value for experienced practitioners, except perhaps for client consumption. Anyone with expertise in license agreements could dispense with this summary and jump right into the analysis—in the form of Q&A—about terms of the agreement of interest. Here, the AI summary and analysis abilities can be of real help.

To ask good questions, we needed to know more about the overall deal. We saw the license agreement was part of a larger corporate spin-off by BorgWarner.\(^1\) A quick Google search led to a business article with practical insights into the deal,\(^2\) which is the kind of information a lawyer and client would probably already

\(^1\) The license agreement was part of SEC Form 10-12B, Filing Date: 2023-05-18, found at http://pdf.secdatabase.com/536/0001628280-23-018828.pdf. This *Intellectual Property Cross-License Agreement* is Exhibit 10.4 to the 10-12B Registration disclosure, and is found at http://pdf.secdatabase.com/536/0001628280-23-018828.pdf#%5B%7B%22num%22%3A307%2C %22gen%22%3A0%7D%2C%7B%22name%22%3A%22XYZ%22%7D%2C0%2C751%2C0%5D.

have as a background to begin asking questions about a document. We wanted our Q&A to be as realistic as possible. The article on the Phinia deal stated:

**BorgWarner (BWA)** will spin-off [sic] **PHINIA (PHIN)**, its Fuel Systems and Aftermarket segments, by the end of the day on July 3, 2023. To put it simply, the rationale for the spin-off is to shed exposure to internal combustion engines and increase exposure to electric vehicles. Borgwarner is on track to meet or exceed its will spin-off goal of 25% of revenue from EV by 2025. PHINIA end markets are perceived to be in secular decline.

With that background information, we could ask CoCounsel a useful test question, one that a practitioner might want to know in a transaction like this: “What information is specifically excluded from this assignment?” Here is the response.

**Trademarks, power electronics, improvements**

The document specifically excludes trademarks, service marks, trade dress, trade names, domain names, social media accounts or usernames, or other indicia of source or origin from the definition of “Intellectual Property” (pgs. 5,7), as well as power electronics applications for any electrified stationary applications or electrified mobility applications (pgs. 5,7). Additionally, improvements to the Licensed Parent IP or the Licensed SpinCo IP are not granted as part of this agreement (pg. 11), and any prior agreements or undertakings are superseded by this agreement (pg. 16).

We asked the same question of ChatGPT and received the following response.

The document contains several provisions that specify what is explicitly excluded or limited within the scope of the agreement. Here are some key points:

1. Third-Party Rights: The terms and conditions of the IP License Agreement, including the licenses granted, are subject to any and all rights of and obligations owed to any third parties with respect to the Licensed IP under any contracts (Page 10-11).
2. No Other Rights or Obligations: Except as expressly set forth in the agreement, no right or license is granted, whether by implication, estoppel, or otherwise, under any intellectual property rights that any party or any of their affiliates may have (Page 11).

3. Limitation of Liability: Neither party nor any of its affiliates will be liable for any consequential, incidental, indirect, exemplary, special, punitive, or enhanced damages, or for any loss of actual or anticipated profits (Page 13-14).

4. Provision of Information: The agreement specifies that no licensor or its affiliates are required to provide any written, electronic, computerized, digital, or other tangible or intangible media that has already been provided to, or is in the possession of, the licensee or its affiliates (Page 10-11).

5. Assignment of Licensed IP: Any assignment of Licensed IP will include a transfer of any applicable license and similar contractual rights or permissions granted to the applicable licensee in this IP License Agreement (Page 10).

6. Relationship of the Parties: The agreement states that nothing contained creates any agency, partnership, joint venture, or other forms of joint enterprise, employment, or fiduciary relationship between the parties (Page 17-18).

These exclusions and limitations are crucial for understanding the scope and boundaries of the agreement, as they delineate the responsibilities and liabilities of each party involved. Would you like to delve into any other aspects?

Again, although both responses were good, and both provided references to the agreement page numbers, we thought ChatGPT-4’s response was more useful.

Finally, we asked what we thought was a key question for this deal, “Are hybrid vehicle parts covered by this agreement?”

CoCounsel’s response:

No.

Hybrid vehicle parts are likely not covered by the agreement, as the agreement specifically excludes power electronics applications for any electrified mobility applications, which would include hybrid vehicles (pg. 7).
ChatGPT’s response to the same question:

The document explicitly states that power electronics applications for any electrified stationary applications or electrified mobility applications, including any hybrid vehicles, are excluded from the SpinCo Field (Page 7).

In essence, hybrid vehicle parts are not covered by this Intellectual Property Cross-License Agreement. This exclusion is significant as it delineates the scope of the agreement and clarifies that the licensing does not extend to hybrid vehicle technologies.

Would you like to explore further?

Again, we preferred ChatGPT-4’s answer, as it was more complete. Moreover, it did not qualify its answer to this straightforward question with the phrase “likely not covered.”

Overall, both CoCounsel and ChatGPT-4 perform admirably well in summarizing documents and providing analysis.

iii. A Note About Privacy

As using the document summary and analysis function of any of these tools involves uploading information, we want to address concerns about privacy. All three systems purport to protect the confidentiality of all documents submitted for analysis.

We are aware of many misconceptions that the paid version of ChatGPT offers no privacy protections, and we suspect those stem in part from conflating the free version of ChatGPT-3.5 and ChatGPT-4. Even in ChatGPT-4, however, the data control settings are off by default and must be turned on manually. Once enabled, the privacy settings purport to provide for the auto-destruction of all information after 30 days and allow OpenAI to use the information only “when needed to monitor for abuse.”

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off, as it should be for any legal work, you will see this notice in the upper left corner of your browser screen.

CoCounsel has privacy automatically engaged. According to Casetext, data input into CoCounsel is “never used to train the AI model. The model is accessed through dedicated, secure servers. Data is encrypted in transit and at rest, and never stored by our AI partner. Clients retain all rights to their data. Your data is only used by Casetext to serve the product to your users.”

Anthropic reports that Claude will only “use your prompts and conversations” if you give explicit permission, if they are “flagged for trust and safety review,” or “to improve [Claude’s] ability to detect and enforce Acceptable Use Policy violations, including to train Trust and Safety classifiers in order to make our services safer.” Anthropic also “retains your personal data for as long as reasonably necessary for the purposes and criteria outlined in our Privacy Policy.”

Before uploading confidential data, we urge users to look into the privacy protections of the platform. We would not use any of these programs to summarize and ask questions about classified documents. But, for more standard confidential case documents, there are generative AI tools available that can satisfy many

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15 CoCounsel, the First Legal Assistant: Security Overview, provided directly to the authors on May 9, 2023.

16 I would like to input sensitive data into Claude Pro. Who can view my conversations?, ANTHROPIC, support.anthropic.com/en/articles/8325621-i-would-like-to-input-sensitive-data-into-claude-pro-who-can-view-my-conversations.

arbitrators’ and mediators’ privacy needs, especially when appropriate disclosures are made in advance.

2. Research

a. Research Applications

LLMs excel in combing and analyzing large quantities of data quickly—which, in the internet age, is the very essence of legal and factual research. Often, independent research is not a significant part of a neutral’s work, including because it is often not economical. When used prudently, AI helps solve that problem.

Although computerized legal research tools have assisted with legal research for years, generative AI is indeed a game changer. For example, AI’s concept-based search produces more thorough and often more targeted results than platforms that do only a search for specified keywords. The user can ask an initial question and follow-up questions, allowing her to engage in a conversation with the bot in the same way she would a law firm associate, honing the query as the thinking progresses.

For example, neutrals can use AI’s research function to explore the law on a particular topic in preparation for a mediation, as the parties’ mediation memoranda often do not brief all legal issues in detail. Where appropriate, arbitrators can review the legal contentions made in arbitration filings. And, though likely precluded in arbitrations, mediators can also use generative AI to verify the accuracy of claims or facts presented when publicly available information can be used to do so.

b. Platform Comparison: Legal Research

LLMs started off with something of a bad name in the context of legal research. Not only has there been prolific news coverage of the *Roberto Mata v. Avianca Inc.* lawyer’s reliance on fake cases, judges and others have expressed skepticism about the careless

18 For purposes of this paper, the authors take no position on whether an arbitrator should or may conduct independent legal research.

19 See, e.g., American Arbitration Association Commercial Rule 36.

20 Brandon Kimura, *ChatGPT Ethics Case Summary*, Blawg 401, August 11, 2023, blawg401.com/chatgpt-ethics-case-summary/#:~:text=One%20of%20the%20first%20cases,The%20plaintiff%2C%20Mr.
use of AI in litigation, while in general still encouraging its use.\textsuperscript{21} However, different AI platforms offer different guardrails relevant to legal research, including to reduce hallucinations.\textsuperscript{22} This section compares ChatGPT-4’s, Claude’s, and CoCounsel’s legal research functions.

\textit{i. ChatGPT-4’s Legal Research}

As the \textit{Avianca} filing exemplifies, ChatGPT-3’s answers to legal research questions, in these authors’ experience, often contained citations to and quotes from cases that the software had fabricated (hallucinated).

ChatGPT-4 has been updated to disclose its own limitations. For example, in response to the prompt “Which First Circuit cases address circulation of religious images in public schools?,” ChatGPT-4 responded:

As of my last training data in January 2022, I cannot provide an exhaustive or up-to-date list of all First Circuit cases specifically addressing the circulation of religious images in public schools. The First Circuit, like other federal appellate courts, has certainly addressed First Amendment issues in the public school context.

If you are specifically interested in cases from the First Circuit on this topic, it would be best to consult a legal database like Westlaw or LexisNexis. These databases provide up-to-date and specific case law on such nuanced topics. Alternatively, reaching out to a legal professional or scholar familiar with First Amendment issues in the First Circuit might provide more detailed insights.

Remember, case law evolves, and new decisions can impact interpretations and precedents. Always ensure that the information you’re using is current and relevant to your specific context.


When we framed the question differently,\textsuperscript{23} however, Chat-GPT-4 did perform legal research. In response to the prompt “Can New Hampshire public schools circulate religious imagery?,” GPT-4 offered a substantive response:

Public schools in the United States, including those in New Hampshire, are subject to the Establishment Clause of the First Amendment, which has been interpreted to mean that schools may not promote or endorse any particular religion. The Supreme Court has ruled that public schools cannot sponsor religious activities or symbolism because they are government institutions.

Circulating religious imagery, if it is part of a curriculum that is educational and not devotional in nature, such as in a world religions or art history class, might be permissible as long as it is presented in an objective, non-proselytizing manner. However, using religious imagery in a way that could be seen as promoting or endorsing a particular religion would likely be unconstitutional.

The precise legal boundaries can sometimes be complex and subject to interpretation, and local school policies may also provide additional guidance on these matters. It’s often best for school administrators to consult with legal counsel to ensure that they comply with the relevant constitutional and statutory requirements.

\textsuperscript{23} If AI tools are adopted, training on how to properly construct prompts/queries and how to evaluate any results is necessary. Akin to Boolean searches that require some knowledge of how to construct a “good” search, AI tools require “good” prompts. One advantage of generative AI prompts and responses is that the tool has “thread” conversations. A person can ask clarifying questions. Users can ask the AI tool to clarify previous responses or ask the AI tool to customize the tone or persona of the response. Training on compliance with confidentiality concerns, as well as considerations involving bias is recommended. See Hon. Xavier Rodriguez, \textit{Artificial Intelligence (AI) and the Practice of Law}, 24 SEDONA CONF. 783 at 817-18 (Sept. 2023), https://thesedonaconference.org/sites/default/files/announcements/Artificial-Intelligence-and-the-Practice-of-Law-Xavier-Rodriguez_1.pdf. Jus Mundi offers training to arbitrators to educate themselves on how the tool works and its features, including Jus-AI. Part of the training includes the limitations of the tool and its benefits. See \textit{AI in Arbitration: Insights from Jus-AI’s Creators}, DAILY JUS, July 20, 2023, daily.jusconnect.com/in-conversation-with/2023/07/ai-in-arbitration-insights-from-jus-ais-creators.
When we asked for the cases that informed ChatGPT-4’s answer, it identified and very cursorily described six of the United States Supreme Court's Establishment Clause cases\textsuperscript{24} but then wrote, “If you need details or have a specific situation in mind, consulting legal experts or reviewing recent court decisions would be valuable.”

\textit{ii. Claude’s Legal Research}

\textbf{User Prompt}: “Can New Hampshire public schools circulate religious imagery?”

\textbf{Response}:

I do not have enough context to definitively answer whether public schools in New Hampshire can circulate religious imagery. However, I can provide some general information about the legality of religious imagery in U.S. public schools:

- The First Amendment of the U.S. Constitution prohibits the government from establishing an official religion. This is generally interpreted to mean that public schools cannot promote or endorse any particular religion.
- At the same time, the First Amendment protects private religious expression, including by students in public schools. So students are typically allowed to express their religious beliefs through things like clothing, jewelry, etc.
- Whether or not a public school can display religious imagery like crosses or nativity scenes is a complex issue that depends on the specific context and how the display is handled. Courts have ruled both for and against certain types of religious displays.
- In general, religious displays are more likely to be upheld if they have a clear secular purpose (like displaying art or celebrating a holiday), are initiated by students rather than school officials, and do not

dominate the school setting. Displays that seem to endorse a particular religion are more vulnerable to legal challenge.

So in summary, while some religious expression is allowed in public schools, there are legal limits. Whether any particular religious image or display would be permissible in New Hampshire public schools would depend on the specific details of the situation. The school would need to be careful not to appear to be endorsing or promoting religion in a way that violates the First Amendment. Definitive judgments require looking at the totality of the circumstances around the display.

When asked to cite its sources, Claude, like GPT-4, identified and briefly summarized United States Supreme Court cases.25

iii. CoCounsel’s Legal Research

CoCounsel’s built-in database of case opinions includes all 50 states, the United States Supreme Court, Federal Circuit Courts, District Courts, Bankruptcy Courts, the Tax Court, administrative materials, and legal articles published by JD Supra.26

When you click on the Legal Research Memo button, CoCounsel will ask you to “Explain your legal research request—using normal sentences like you would when talking to a colleague. Include as much relevant information for the search such as jurisdiction, background facts, and anything else that you feel is relevant to the query.” To ensure that it understands your query, CoCounsel will “interpret” your question and will in a few seconds give you its understanding of your legal research question. If CoCounsel has correctly understood your query, clicking the “Submit” button will cause CoCounsel to start processing your request. If there is an error or miscommunication between you and CoCounsel, you may return to your original question to add or subtract to it for


clarity. CoCounsel will then re-interpret your request. There are filters by jurisdiction, date, and unpublished cases to narrow or expand the focus of your search.

Once your question has been submitted to CoCounsel, a progress window and completion appear. This function allows you to run another legal research request while the first one is processing or tend to other work, and when the first legal research memo is finished (usually) in two to three minutes or less, it will send you an email telling you that your legal research memo is complete. The output from CoCounsel will be a Microsoft Word document with hyperlinks to the actual case, statute, regulation, or court rule that is relevant to your query. Those hyperlinks allow the neutral to conduct all necessary diligence using primary authority rather than AI-generated text.

User Prompt: “Can New Hampshire public schools circulate religious imagery?”

Response:

Answer

There is no clear answer to whether public schools in New Hampshire can distribute materials containing religious imagery. However, several authorities suggest that such distribution may be permissible if it does not advance or inhibit religion, does not foster excessive entanglement between the school and religion, and is not calculated to favor any particular religious sect.

Analysis

Several cases and statutes provide guidance on the question of whether public schools in New Hampshire can distribute materials containing religious imagery. The most relevant authorities are the New Hampshire Revised Statutes sections 189:26 and 194-B:7, and the cases Opinion of the Justices, 307 A.2d 558 (N.H. 1973) and State v. Mack, 173 N.H. 793 (N.H. 2020).

Section 189:26 of the New Hampshire Revised Statutes prohibits public schools from introducing any book that favors a particular religious sect. This statute suggests that the distribution of religious imagery would be permissible as long as it does not favor one particular sect over another.
Section 194-B:7 sets out the criteria for determining whether a chartered public school is secular or nonsecular, and prohibits schools from advancing or prohibiting religion, or fostering excessive entanglement between the school and religion. This statute also suggests that the distribution of religious imagery would be permissible as long as it does not violate these criteria.

The case Opinion of the Justices, 307 A.2d 558 (N.H. 1973) discusses the constitutionality of religious activities in public schools in New Hampshire. The court held that a law does not offend the First Amendment’s prohibition on enactments respecting an establishment of religion if it has a secular legislative purpose, does not principally advance or inhibit religion, and does not foster an excessive governmental entanglement with religion. This case suggests that the distribution of religious imagery in public schools would be permissible if it meets these criteria.

Finally, the case State v. Mack, 173 N.H. 793 (N.H. 2020) discusses the free exercise of religion under the New Hampshire Constitution. The court held that when religious practices violate a generally applicable law, the state constitution requires a balancing of competing interests. This case suggests that if the distribution of religious imagery in public schools is challenged, the court will need to balance the interests of the school against the interests of those challenging the distribution.

CoCounsel then summarized and linked directly to seven New Hampshire cases, two New Hampshire statues, and an article, and CoCounsel described how each of these sources are relevant to the research inquiry. In this instance, CoCounsel did not ask whether

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we wanted to include federal as well as state law in our research. When we added “under federal law,” to the beginning of the prompt, CoCounsel provided a different answer, citing 11 First Circuit and 3 District of New Hampshire cases. It also identified with a red flag graphic that one of the cited cases had been reversed.

iv. Analysis of the Platform’s Legal Research Skill

Like ChatGPT and Claude themselves, we recognize the shortcomings of conducting legal research using a general-purpose AI tool that does not include current source material in its training. Not only did those platforms deliver much more generalized answers to legal research questions, but they also acknowledged that their information is out of date. CoCounsel, which specializes in legal research specifically, surpasses the other platforms in terms of the breadth and currentness of its legal databases, as well as its ability to parse legal questions more like a lawyer would, acknowledging, for example, the differences in jurisdictions and the hierarchy of courts. CoCounsel also Shepardizes its citations and links directly to the source material, thereby guarding against inaccuracies and hallucinations. We caution readers, however, that, when we specified a jurisdiction in the prompt rather than using the filters, CoCounsel myopically focused on opinions from that jurisdiction’s courts without acknowledging the relevance, for instance, of United States Supreme Court opinions.

28 In the order they appeared on CoCounsel: Freedom v. Hanover Sch. Dist, 626 F.3d 1 (1st Cir. 2010); Freedom from Religion Found. v. Hanover School, 665 F. Supp. 2d 58 (D.N.H. 2009); Weisman v. Lee, 908 F.2d 1090 (1st Cir. 1990); Local 8027 v. Frank Edelblut, Comm’r, 21-cv-1077-PB (D.N.H. Jan. 12, 2023); Parker v. Hurley, 514 F.3d 87 (1st Cir. 2008); Carson v. Makin, 979 F.3d 21 (1st Cir. 2020); Asociación v. García, 490 F.3d 1 (1st Cir. 2007); Knights of Columbus, # 94 v. Town of Lexington, 272 F.3d 25 (1st Cir. 2001); Rojas v. Fitch, 127 F.3d 184 (1st Cir. 1997); Governor Wentworth Reg. School v. Hendrickson, 421 F. Supp. 2d 410 (D.N.H. 2006); Gary S. v. Manchester Sch. Dist., 374 F.3d 15 (1st Cir. 2004); Shurtleff v. City of Boston, 928 F.3d 166 (1st Cir. 2019); Norris ex rel. A.M. v. Cape Elizabeth Sch. Dist., 969 F.3d 12 (1st Cir. 2020); Members of Jamestown Sch. Comm. v. Schmidt, 699 F.2d 1 (1st Cir. 1983).
3. Document Generation

a. Document Generation Applications

In addition to analyzing complex texts for the purpose of summarization, analysis, or research, today’s generative AI platforms can assist professionals, including arbitrators and mediators, in creating and editing documents. ChatGPT and Claude are two notable examples of LLMs designed to aid in drafting legal content.\(^{29}\) They can generate human-like text in response to user queries, sometimes incorporating information provided by the user. Moreover, these tools can refine their outputs based on user feedback.

ChatGPT and Claude can generate text in response to a prompt or a question by a user, sometimes based on documents, images, or other information provided by the user. ChatGPT and Claude can also iterate on the content they have generated based on feedback from the user.

Using LLMs such as ChatGPT and Claude for drafting legal documents presents several advantages, including:

- Time and Resource Efficiency: LLMs can swiftly generate text that resembles human-written content. This can substantially reduce the time spent on research, writing, editing, and proofreading of legal documents.
- Enhanced Creativity and Innovation: LLMs can generate diverse, relevant, and novel text, which can foster fresh ideas, perspectives, and arguments that might otherwise remain unexplored.
- Improved Quality and Consistency: LLMs produce coherent, fluent, and grammatically correct text, mitigating errors, inconsistencies, and ambiguities in legal documents.

However, employing LLMs for legal drafting also comes with specific challenges, which include:

- Ensuring Accuracy and Reliability: LLMs, while powerful, are not infallible. They can generate inaccuracies, outdated information, invent facts or cases, or misinterpret user input. Therefore, users must cross-verify content generated by LLMs with credible sources and seek expert input.

\(^{29}\) As of the date of this article, CoCounsel did not offer a drafting function.
Maintaining Ethical Standards and Professional Responsibility: LLMs are not bound by ethical codes or professional regulations, and they lack moral or legal obligations. Users must exercise their judgment and discretion when using LLMs, ensuring compliance with data protection, confidentiality, intellectual property rights, plagiarism, and disclosure laws and regulations.

Managing Expectations and Limitations: LLMs are tools that augment human capabilities, not substitutes for human lawyers. Users should not solely rely on LLMs for drafting legal documents and should employ their own knowledge, skills, experience, and intuition. Users must also be aware of LLM limitations, including data sources, training methods, time constraints, and domain specificity.

As applied to arbitration and mediation, the potential use cases for generative AI as a drafting tool are practically unlimited. They include:

- Drafting arbitration agreements and mediation clauses in contracts. AI tools can help generate customized language based on industry standards and best practices.
- Preparing mediation statements and arbitration pleadings. AI tools can analyze case facts and legal issues, and produce draft documents outlining each party's positions and arguments serving as a starting point for lawyers to refine.
- Drafting procedural orders and case management plans. LLMs can generate standard formats for procedural orders based on prompts about the number of parties, issues in dispute, deadlines, etc.
- Drafting settlement agreements and arbitration awards. LLMs can facilitate the creation of initial drafts of straightforward settlements or uncontested arbitration awards based on terms provided.
- Automating parts of mediation briefs and letters. LLMs can generate standard sections in mediation briefs, such as recitals and reservations of rights.
- Producing first drafts of form documents. When standard contracts, agreements, or correspondence are needed, LLMs can produce a draft using templates and key case details.
b. Platform Comparison: Document Generation

Here are examples of drafting exercises we explored using ChatGPT-4 and Claude:

*User Prompt:* You are an attorney asked to draft an arbitration clause to be included in a contract between a Massachusetts software company and a New York investment bank. The parties wish the clause to invoke the Commercial Rules of the American Arbitration Association, and to cover the issues of the venue for the arbitration, a pre-arbitration mediation requirement, a reasonable time limit for completion of the arbitration, and reasonable discovery limitations. Please draft the arbitration clause.

*ChatGPT 4 Response:*

Here is a possible arbitration clause that meets the requirements of the parties:

**Arbitration Clause**

Any dispute, controversy or claim arising out of or relating to this contract, or the breach, termination or invalidity thereof, shall be settled by arbitration in accordance with the Commercial Arbitration Rules of the American Arbitration Association (the “AAA Rules”) in effect on the date of this contract, except as modified herein.

The place of arbitration shall be Boston, Massachusetts, unless the parties agree otherwise in writing.

Before initiating arbitration, the parties shall attempt to resolve their dispute amicably through mediation administered by the American Arbitration Association under its Commercial Mediation Procedures. Either party may commence mediation by providing to the other party a written request for mediation, setting forth the subject of the dispute and the relief requested. The parties will cooperate with the American Arbitration Association and with one another in selecting a mediator from the American Arbitration Association's panel of neutrals and in scheduling the mediation proceedings. The parties agree that they will participate in the mediation in good faith and that they will share equally in its costs.

If the dispute is not resolved within 60 days after the request for mediation, either party may initiate arbitration by
filing a notice of arbitration with the American Arbitration Association and serving a copy on the other party. The notice of arbitration shall include a statement of the claim, the relief sought, and the names and contact information of the parties.

The arbitration shall be conducted by one arbitrator, unless the amount in dispute exceeds $1,000,000, in which case three arbitrators shall be appointed. If one arbitrator is to be appointed, the parties shall endeavor to agree on the arbitrator within 15 days after receipt of the notice of arbitration. If three arbitrators are to be appointed, each party shall appoint one arbitrator within 15 days after receipt of the notice of arbitration, and the two party-appointed arbitrators shall appoint the third arbitrator within 15 days thereafter. If a party fails to appoint an arbitrator within the specified time limit, or if the two party-appointed arbitrators fail to appoint the third arbitrator within the specified time limit, the American Arbitration Association shall appoint the arbitrator.

The arbitrator(s) shall decide the dispute in accordance with the substantive law of New York, without regard to its conflict of laws rules.

The arbitration shall be completed within six months after the appointment of the arbitrator(s), unless otherwise agreed by the parties or extended by the arbitrator(s) for good cause.

The discovery in the arbitration shall be limited to document production and depositions of no more than three witnesses per party, unless otherwise agreed by the parties or ordered by the arbitrator(s) for good cause.

The award of the arbitrator(s) shall be final and binding on the parties, and may be entered and enforced in any court having jurisdiction. The award shall state the reasons for the decision and apportion the costs of arbitration between the parties. The prevailing party in any arbitration or judicial proceeding arising out of or relating to this contract shall be entitled to recover its reasonable attorneys’ fees and expenses from the other party.

_Claude Response:_

Here is a draft arbitration clause for the Massachusetts software company and New York investment bank:

_Arbitration. Any dispute arising out of or relating to this Agreement shall be submitted to binding arbitration in_
accordance with the Commercial Arbitration Rules of the American Arbitration Association. The parties agree to first attempt mediation prior to initiating arbitration. The mediation shall take place in Boston, Massachusetts and shall conclude within 30 days of initiation unless extended by mutual written agreement. If mediation does not resolve the dispute, the arbitration shall take place in New York, New York. Discovery shall be limited to the request and production of documents directly relevant to the dispute, along with no more than two depositions per party, each lasting no more than four hours. The arbitrator shall issue a final award within 120 days of the initiation of arbitration unless this time is extended by mutual written agreement. The arbitrator shall have authority to award compensatory damages only and shall not award punitive or exemplary damages. The arbitrator shall have no authority to award provisional remedies of any nature including, but not limited to, injunctive relief. Any award rendered shall be final and binding upon the parties. Judgment upon the award may be entered in any court having jurisdiction.

A second example:

User Prompt: You are a mediator who has been asked to provide the parties with an opinion on the merits of a dispute between a copywriter and her employer over ownership of an article written by the copywriter. The article was written at 10:00 p.m., after work hours, on her work computer. The article has some relevance to the business of the employer, but would never be published by the employer. Please advise the parties of your view on ownership of the article.

ChatGPT-4 Response:

Thank you for choosing me as your mediator. I have reviewed the facts of your dispute and searched the web for relevant information on the topic of work made for hire. Based on my research, I have formed an opinion on the merits of your case, which I will share with you below.

The main issue in your dispute is whether the article written by the copywriter is a work made for hire or not. If it is, then the employer owns the copyright in the article. If it is not, then the copywriter owns it.
According to the definition of work made for hire in the U.S. Copyright Act, a work is a work made for hire in two situations:

- When it is created by an employee as part of the employee’s regular duties
- When a certain type of work is created as a result of an express written agreement between the creator and a party specially ordering or commissioning it

In your case, the second situation does not apply, as there is no evidence of any written agreement between the copywriter and the employer regarding the article. Therefore, the only question is whether the article was created by the employee as part of her regular duties.

This question is not easy to answer, as it depends on various factors, such as the nature of the employment relationship, the scope of the employee’s duties, the level of control and direction exercised by the employer over the employee’s work, and the intent of the parties. [Links omitted]

Based on the information you provided, I think that there are arguments for both sides. On one hand, the employer could argue that the article was created by the employee within the scope of her employment, because:

- The article was written on her work computer, which implies that she used the employer’s resources and equipment to create it
- The article has some relevance to the business of the employer, which implies that she used her skills and knowledge acquired from her employment to create it
- The article was written during a time period that could be considered part of her regular work hours, depending on her schedule and expectations

On the other hand, the copywriter could argue that the article was not created by her within the scope of her employment, because:

- The article was written after her normal work hours, which implies that she did not create it as part of her assigned tasks or projects
- The article would never be published by the employer, which implies that she did not create it for the benefit or use of the employer
The article was written for her own personal interest and expression, which implies that she did not create it under the control or direction of the employer.

In my opinion, based on these arguments and facts, I think that the copywriter has a stronger case than the employer. I think that the article is not a work made for hire, because it does not meet the criteria of being created by an employee as part of her regular duties. Therefore, I think that the copywriter owns the copyright in the article.

However, this is only my opinion and not a legal advice. You should consult with a qualified attorney if you want to pursue this matter further. I hope that this opinion helps you resolve your dispute amicably and fairly. Thank you for your cooperation and trust.

Claude Response:

Dear Parties,

As the mediator in this dispute over ownership of the article written by the copywriter, here is my opinion on the merits based on the facts provided:

While the article was written after work hours, it was done so on the employer’s computer with resources provided by the employer. However, the article has little relevance to the employer’s business and would likely never be published by the employer.

The general rule is that works created by an employee within the scope of employment belong to the employer. But here, since the article was written after hours on a matter unrelated to the employer’s business, there is a stronger argument that the copywriter herself owns the copyright to the article, not the employer.

My recommendation would be to consider a compromise—the copywriter maintains copyright ownership of the article, but grants the employer a limited license to use portions of the article for internal purposes only. This allows both parties to benefit from the work product to some degree.

I hope this assessment of the merits provides a reasonable middle ground to resolve this dispute. Please let me know if
you have any other questions as we continue the mediation process.

In both examples, ChatGPT-4 excels in providing nuanced and in-depth responses, offering users a comprehensive understanding of the legal issues with links to sources. Claude, on the other hand, provides more concise responses, focusing on practical solutions. The choice between the two depends on the user’s specific needs and preferences.

**Future Uses**

As new generative AI tools are developed and the existing ones learn and grow, we foresee additional uses in arbitration and mediation. While possibilities abound, we identify a few here.

**1. Judicial and Arbitral Decision Making**

The hot topic in the arbitration world is whether generative AI will replace arbitrators as decision-makers. For years, companies like eBay have used learning computer systems to resolve disputes online. But, with the proliferation of LLMs, computers can digest large quantities of information rapidly and either suggest or predict the outcome of a dispute. Although we are not aware of a court or ADR institution that designates AI as the final decision maker, the technology is evolving rapidly.

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31 *Automated Justice: Use of AI in the Resolution of Disputes*, TILLEKE & GIBBONS, July 11, 2023, www.tilleke.com/insights/automated-justice-use-of-ai-in-the-resolution-of-disputes (“For now, there are few, if any, courts that use automated decision making. However, the use of AI to assist judges is not uncommon. In the US, many courts use the COMPAS system to help determine criminal sentences, a practice that has been upheld by the Wisconsin Supreme Court. Malaysian courts have experimented with similar AI systems. More recently, judges in Colombia and Pakistan have used ChatGPT to assist with preparing judgments. By far the most advanced case study is China, where AI is used in a number of ‘smart courts’ to automate transcription, analyze evidence, recommend decisions, and monitor the consistency of judgments with past case law.”).
For example, certain AI tools predict what a particular judge would decide or propose a decision for the arbitrator. Pre/Dicta, which launched in 2022, is a predictive litigation analytics tool “that looks for patterns in a judge’s past decisions and potential areas of bias, using around 120 data points.” According to Pre/Dicta’s CEO, the tool can predict how a judge will rule with 86% accuracy. Bridget McCormick, president and CEO of the American Arbitration Association, has commented that information tools like Pre/Dicta’s are most useful to parties “trying to decide whether to litigate at all, as opposed to arbitrate or mediate.”

Other AI tools are tailored for arbitration but are currently targeted at advocates rather than neutrals. In June 2023, Jus Mundi launched a beta version of “Jus-AI,” its AI-powered arbitration intelligence tool. The tool “is aimed at providing concise summaries from arbitral awards and court judgments,” and “interpret[s] specific provisions of arbitration rules by verifying the legal reasoning of thousands of arbitrators, counsel, and experts.” “The International Centre for Dispute Resolution, the international division of the American Arbitration Association, and Jus Mundi united to make non-confidential ICDR international arbitration awards freely available to the global legal and business community,” which could invite their use as training materials for Jus-AI and other arbitration-focused AI tools.

The available data is more limited for commercial arbitrations, which are generally confidential. Arbitration practitioners, nevertheless, still expect the use of AI tools to rise in the coming years, depending on more “initiatives to publish a greater number

33 *Id.*
34 *Id.*
36 *Legal Intelligence Powered by AI Technology*, Jus MUNDI, jusmundi.com/en.
of commercial arbitration awards and related materials (with or without redaction/anonymization).”

While predictive analysis tools are generally directed at advocates, they may “enable arbitrators to predict the possible factual outcomes of their awards, based on historical cases and jurisprudential data. Simply put, ChatGPT can predict the chances of an award being annulled, denied enforcement or voluntarily complied with, which, in turn can allow arbitrators to draft their awards in such a way, so as to ensure their longevity.”

The same tools that currently review large quantities of past judicial and arbitral decisions to evaluate or predict decisions could eventually become the deciders. While that reality may seem far off, we anticipate that automated decision makers will be available shortly to provide first-cut, appealable resolutions in disputes with lower amounts in controversy.

2. Augmenting Information Provided to the Neutral

ChatGPT-4 suggests that, as generative AI technology evolves, it can assist arbitrators and mediators by providing the following types of information that might not be otherwise available:

- **Emotion Analysis:** By analyzing voice tones, word choices, or facial expressions during hearings or sessions, AI could provide insights into parties’ emotional states, aiding neutrals in navigating discussions more effectively.
- **Automated Fact-Checking:** In real time, AI could verify claims or facts presented during proceedings against a vast database of information, ensuring the accuracy of presented data.
- **Predictive Behavior Analysis:** Based on historical data and behavioral patterns, AI could predict the likely responses

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38 Bizikova, *supra* note 35.

of parties to certain resolutions or decisions, allowing arbitrators and mediators to strategize their approaches.\textsuperscript{40}

**Conclusion**

Machines are not ready to assume sole responsibility for legal analysis, decision-making, or dispute resolution functions. However, they can adroitly support arbitrators and mediators who are well informed about the technology’s strengths and potential pitfalls. As we look to the future, we see the potential for even more transformative and disruptive applications. These advancements, while promising, should be approached with judicious balance, ensuring that the essence of human judgment, empathy, and ethics remain paramount in arbitration and mediation. As we stride into this AI-augmented future, the arbitrator or mediator is not diminished but rather enhanced, equipped with a richer toolkit to better serve the evolving needs of parties in dispute.

\textsuperscript{40} ChatGPT-4’s excerpted response to the October 30, 2023, prompt: “As generative AI evolves, what are some of the future, cutting-edge ways arbitrators and mediators could use it?”