

1.04 | QUESTION 4: WHICH DISTRICT IS THE PROPER ONE TO FILE MY ACTION?

If you decide that your claim may be brought in a federal district court because there is either a federal question, the United States is a party, or when the dispute is between residents of different states and the amount in controversy is more than \$75,000, you must then determine in which federal court to file. To decide a case, the court you select must have some logical relationship either to the litigants or to the subject matter of the dispute; this is called venue. Generally, you may only file a lawsuit if the actions or inactions that you believe violated your rights occurred within the boundaries of that District Court. If you are unsure, call the District Court Clerk's Office for guidance.

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