

Library Resources for the Bar



INN LIBRARIES SPECIALISATION SCHEME

The following is a guide to the jurisdictions outside England and Wales and the subjects within English law that each Inn specialises in. Note that, particularly in the case of English materials, the topics will be covered to some extent at all the Libraries and that the list is not necessarily exhaustive.

GRAY'S INN	INNER TEMPLE	LINCOLN'S INN	MIDDLE TEMPLE
Air and Space Law	Armed Forces	Agriculture	Accountancy
Conflict of Laws	<i>Commonwealth</i>	Animal Law	Agency
Constitutional & Administrative	Coroners	<i>Channel Islands</i>	Arbitration
Construction Law	Criminal Law	Charities	Banking
Consumer Law	Criminology	<i>Commonwealth</i>	Carriage of Goods
Data Protection	Customs and Excise	Company Law	Commercial Law
Education	Defamation	Conveyancing	Competition Law
Energy Law	Family Law	Equity and Trusts	Ecclesiastical Law
Entertainment & Media Law	Food and Drugs	Insolvency	Employment
Environmental Law	Forensic Science and Medicine	<i>Isle of Man</i>	Equal Opportunities
<i>Foreign Law (Not at other Inns)</i>	Intellectual Property	Landlord and Tenant	<i>EU and Member States</i>
Highways	Licensing	<i>Parliamentary Materials</i>	Finance and Financial Services
Housing Law	Medical Law	Partnership Law	Health and Safety
Human Rights	Mental Health	Pensions	Insurance Law
Immigration & Nationality	Personal Injury	Real Property	International Trade
Information Technology	Police	Taxation	<i>Irish Republic</i>
<i>International Law</i>	Prison Law	Wills and Probate	Maritime and Shipping Law
Local Government	Product Liability		Transport
<i>Northern Ireland</i>	Professional Negligence		<i>United States</i>
Planning Law	Road Traffic		
Rates & Council Tax	<i>Scotland</i>		
Social Security & Welfare Law	Sentencing		
Sports Law			
Telecommunications			

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A guide to the Libraries of the four Inns of Court

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All four Inn Libraries are open to barrister members of the Inns of Court. Co-operation between the Libraries is overseen by the Inns of Court Libraries Liaison Committee, which aims to make the best use of the Libraries' extensive resources for the benefit of the Bar as a whole, and to ensure that the services that are offered meet the needs of practitioners.

All the Libraries have a full collection of English legal materials. In addition each Library has responsibility for the specialist collections listed in this guide. Online catalogues of each Library are available on their respective websites.

A union list showing the holdings of current law reports, journals, and electronic resources has also been prepared for quick reference. It is available in printed form at each Library and also on the Inner Temple, Gray's Inn and Lincoln's Inn Library websites. Library staff are always willing to give guidance on alternative sources when material needed is not held by the Inn Libraries.

All the Libraries offer distance services to barristers who are unable to visit the Libraries in person. Subject to copyright restrictions, photocopies can be sent by email, fax, or post (*contact individual libraries for charges and further details*). The Inns also have an arrangement whereby copies can be obtained from the Institute of Advanced Legal Studies, where the material is not held at the Inns, or if copyright-cleared copies are needed – barristers should apply for this service to their Inn Library, not direct to the Institute.

A further co-operative arrangement is Saturday opening. During legal term one Inn Library is open from 10.00 am to 5.00 pm on Saturdays on a weekly rota. The rota (which as far as possible is organised in alphabetical order) appears on the Inns' websites, as well as on printed calendars available in the Libraries.

GRAY'S INN LIBRARY

Address: 5 South Square
Gray's Inn
London
WC1R 5ET

Telephone: 020 7458 7822

Fax: 020 7458 7850

Email: library.information@graysinn.org.uk

Website: www.graysinn.org.uk



Librarian: Theresa Thom

Hours: *Student and Legal Terms* Mon-Fri 9.00am – 8.00pm
Saturdays and Vacation Opening hours on application or check the website

Admissions Policy: Open to all members of the four Inns of Court.

Specialisations: International Law

Human Rights both within the UK and from the wider European and international perspectives.

Northern Ireland

The Times newspaper bound copies from 1880-1986, microfilm 1860-1879 and January 1973 onwards, and The Times Digital Archive 1785-2008. *Please note that bound volumes may not be copied.*

Loans: Masters of the Bench of Gray's Inn may borrow material other than rare books and manuscripts either in person or through an intermediary on production of a note bearing the Bencher's signature.

Barrister members of Gray's Inn and barrister tenants of the Inn may borrow selected items for overnight loan 30 minutes before the Library closes: these must be returned by 9.30am the next day that the Library is open.

Barrister tenants of the Inn may also borrow bound copies of journals and law reports for up to an hour during the day to photocopy in chambers.

For further details of what may be borrowed please apply to staff.

Distance Services: Documents (subject to copyright) sent by email, fax or post to any member of Gray's Inn and to barristers of other Inns when the material is not held by their own Library.
For further details see the website or consult staff.

Photocopies can also be obtained on behalf of Gray's Inn barristers from the Institute of Advanced Legal Studies.
Further details and charges on application.

Electronic Services: Web-based access to Lincoln's and Gray's Inn Library catalogues with links to the catalogues of Inner and Middle Temple Libraries at www.graysinnlibrary.org.uk

Internet subscription services include: Electronic Immigration Network, JustCite, Justis England and Wales Judgments (Civil & Criminal) and UK Legislation, Lexis Library, Oxford Law Reports on International Law, Practical Law and Westlaw UK; CD-Roms include: All Law of Northern Ireland and The Education Law Service.

Facebook and Google+ pages with information on Library services, news & events.

Other Services and Facilities:

Wi-Fi access throughout the Library

Word processing facilities: MS Office 2010

Photocopying, printing and scanning: Self-service copying, printing and scan/email facilities.

Microform reader-printer

Newspapers: Daily Telegraph, Financial Times, Guardian, Independent and The Times.

Disability services:

- Lift for wheelchair users
- Free parking (by arrangement)
- Two height-adjustable desks
- Dolphin assistive technology for blind & partially-sighted users
- Large low-resolution screen and magnifier
- Large print keyboard

INNER TEMPLE LIBRARY

Address: Inner Temple
London
EC4Y 7DA
Telephone: 020 7797 8217/8/9
Fax: 020 7583 6030 / 020 7797 8224
Email:
Enquiries library@innertemple.org.uk
Distance service distanceservice@innertemple.org.uk
Websites:
Library www.innertemplelibrary.org.uk
Catalogue www.innertemplelibrary.org/external.html
Virtual tour www.innertemplelibrary.org.uk/news/tour.htm



Librarian: Margaret Clay

Hours: *Legal Terms* Mon-Thu 9.00am – 8.00pm
Friday 9.00am – 7.00pm
Saturdays See Introduction
Long Vacation Mon-Fri 9.00am – 5.30pm
Closed second half of August

Admissions Policy: Open to all members of the four Inns of Court.

Specialisations: Commonwealth legislation and law reports, especially Canada, Caribbean, Hong Kong and Indian subcontinent.

Scottish law reports, textbooks and journals.

The Times newspaper 1811-1990. (*Bound volumes which may not be copied.*) For online availability see under Electronic Services.

Privy Council Judgments 1940 onwards.

Loans: *Law books:* Barrister members or tenants of the Inner Temple and barristers from chambers adjacent to the Inn may borrow up to two monographs from the legal collections 30 minutes before the Library closes. Loose-leaf publications, old editions and reference books are not available for loan. Books must be returned by 9.30am on the next day that the Library is open.

Non-law books: with certain exceptions, these may be borrowed by Inner Temple barristers and students based in London and by Inner Temple tenants. The loan period is 3 weeks.

Distance Services: Documents (subject to copyright) sent by email, fax or post to all Inner Temple barristers and to barristers of other Inns when the material is not held by their own Library.

Charges on application or via the website.

Photocopies can also be obtained on behalf of Inner Temple barristers from the Institute of Advanced Legal Studies. *Further details and charges available on application or via the website.*

Electronic Services: The following services are available within the Library.

Online access to the four Inn Libraries' catalogues.

Internet subscription services include: Casetrack, Criminal Law and Justice Weekly, Criminal Law Week, Electronic Immigration Network, ICLR Online, JustCite, Justis (England and Wales Judgments (Civil & Criminal), The Times Law Reports, UK Legislation, Bermuda Law Reports, BVI Cases and Jamaican Cases), Lawtel, Lexis Library, Practical Law, The Times Digital Archive 1785-2008, The Times & Sunday Times (1992 onwards) and Westlaw UK.

Also available are Kemp & Kemp and the White Book (both on CD-Rom), the Green Book (eBook version), and CourtServe (Court listings database).

Remote Access: Web-based access to the catalogues of all four Inn Libraries (www.innertemplelibrary.org/external.html).

AccessToLaw, a gateway site, providing annotated links to over 1300 free websites of legal interest (www.accesstolaw.com).

Current Awareness blog providing up-to-date information on new case law, changes in legislation and legal news (www.innertemplelibrary.com).

Facebook page with information on Library services, news and events (www.facebook.com/innertemplelibrary).

Other Services and Facilities:

Wi-Fi access

Word processing facilities: MS Office 2010. USB sticks available for purchase.

Photocopying, printing and scanning:

Self-service copying and printing.
Scan/email facilities available Spring 2015.

Card indexes: Legal abbreviations index; parties index to Privy Council cases 1940-2005.

Newspapers: The Times.

Publications: Electronic Newsletter; Quick Reference Guide; range of guides to the Library and its online services; Accessibility Information Sheet. (*All guides are also available in PDF format on the website*).

Disability services: Lift for wheelchair users.
Free parking (by arrangement).
A height-adjustable desk.
Two PCs with large-screen (21") monitors.
Large-print keyboard.
JAWS screen-reading software.
Desktop video magnifier for use with printed material.
Hearing loop for the hard of hearing.

LINCOLN'S INN LIBRARY

Address: Lincoln's Inn
London
WC2A 3TN
Telephone: 020 7242 4371
Fax: 020 7404 1864
Email: library@lincolnsinn.org.uk
Website: www.lincolnsinn.org.uk

Librarian: Guy Holborn



Hours: *Legal Terms and Vacation* Mon-Fri 9.00am – 8.00pm, *except*
August to mid-September Mon-Fri 9.30am – 6.00pm
Saturdays See Introduction
Early or exceptional closing posted on website

Admissions Policy: Open to all members of Lincoln's Inn and to barrister members of the other Inns of Court.

Specialisations: Commonwealth legislation and law reports, especially Australia, New Zealand, Malaysia, Singapore and Brunei, Africa, Sri Lanka and the Pacific.

Channel Islands and Isle of Man.

Parliamentary Papers 1801 to date. House of Commons Standing and Public Bill Committee debates 1983/84 to date.

House of Lords and Privy Council printed cases and appeal documents to 2008.

Chancery practice particularly catered for in acquisition of English materials.

Loans: To barrister members of the Inn and barristers with chambers in the Inn (and their pupils) only. Most material overnight (after 6.00pm to be returned by 9.30am). Longer loans for limited categories of non-current material.

Distance Services: Documents (subject to copyright) sent by email, fax or post to any barrister.
Charges on application.

Photocopies can also be obtained on behalf of Lincoln's Inn barristers from the Institute of Advanced Legal Studies.
Further details and charges on application.

Electronic Services: Web-based access to Lincoln's and Gray's Inn Library catalogues at www.lincolnsinnlibrary.org.uk

Internet subscription services include: Casetrack, Commercial Law Cases, Criminal Law and Justice Weekly, Electronic Immigration Network, HeinOnline (journals and the English Reports), ICLR Online, IDS Brief, Jersey Legal Information Board (unreported cases), Justis (Parliament, UK Legislation), Lawtel, Legalease Law Journals, Lexis Library (All England Direct, Case Search, Halsbury's Laws, Legislation Direct), Oxford Dictionary of National Biography, Public Information Online, Solicitors Journal and Westlaw UK.

A wide range of texts and materials are also available on CD-Rom.

Other Services and Facilities:

Wi-Fi access

Word processing facilities: USB sticks available for purchase.

Photocopying: Self-service copying machines (card or coin operated).

Microfiche reader-printer

Newspapers: Daily Telegraph, Financial Times, Guardian, Independent, The Times.

Publications: Quick Reference Guide; range of guides to the Library and its online services; union list.



MIDDLE TEMPLE LIBRARY

Address: Middle Temple Lane
London
EC4Y 9BT
Telephone: 020 7427 4830
Fax: 020 7427 4831
Email: library@middletemple.org.uk
Website: www.middletemplelibrary.org.uk
Librarian: Vanessa Hayward



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Friday 9.00am – 7.00pm
Saturdays See Introduction
Vacation Mon-Fri 9.00am – 5.30pm
Closed first two weeks of August

Admissions Policy: Open to all members of the four Inns of Court.

Specialisations: European Law – The EU Library, containing the law of the Union and the relevant law of the member states.

US Law – The American Library, a substantial collection of US law reports, together with Federal and State legislation.

Ecclesiastical Law – including unreported Ecclesiastical Court Reports.

The Times on microfilm 1785-2014.

Loans: Members of any Inn may borrow textbooks overnight or for the weekend.

Distance Services: Documents (subject to copyright) sent by email, fax or post to Middle Temple barristers and to barristers of other Inns when material is not held by their own Library.
Charges on application.

Photocopies can also be obtained on behalf of Middle Temple barristers from the Institute of Advanced Legal Studies.
Further details and charges on application.

Electronic Services: Web-based library catalogue and access to other Inns' catalogues at www.middletemplelibrary.org.uk

Internet subscription services include: All England Direct, Casetrack, Electronic Immigration Network, HeinOnline, ICLR Online, JustCite, Justis (Mental Health, Police, Prisons, UK Legislation), Lawtel, Lexis.com (US), Lexis Library (UK cases and journals), Lloyd's List, Practical Law, US Congressional Documents, US Maritime Cases and Westlaw UK and US.

Other Services and Facilities:

Wi-Fi access throughout the Library

Word processing facilities: MS Office 2010, download and email facilities.
USB sticks available for purchase.

Photocopying: Self-service printing, scanning and copying machines.

Newspapers: The Times.

Publications: Range of guides to the Library and its services; union list.

Coffee machine and spring water available

Electronic magnifying machine for enlarging print

Hearing loop for the hard of hearing

