



Inner Temple Library Newsletter

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April

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To view a Saturday Opening Timetable up to July 2013 click [here](#).

Strategic Review

The Library Committee will be carrying out a review of library services during the first six months of 2013 in order to enable it to plan to meet the challenges of the future. We are acutely aware of the increasing cost of legal publications and electronic resources, and the financial pressure on both Chambers and individuals. We are very keen to find out from users what they value in the present library provision, and what they would like to have in the future. We are also very keen to find out from those who do not use the Library at present, or use it rarely, what services and provision they consider would lead them to use it, or to use it more often. To that end, can I encourage you to complete the questionnaire which will be available until 10 February via a [link](#) on the Library's website.

Jack Beatson, Master of the Library

Questionnaire

As part of the strategic review of library services, the Library Committee has developed a questionnaire for completion by members and tenants, which aims to find out how collections and services are being used within the Library and remotely, how the services are rated, and what additional services or facilities may be required in future.

As an incentive to complete the questionnaire, respondents can supply their contact details and be entered into a prize draw to win one of several bottles of champagne.

Click [here](#) to take part in the survey.

If you have any problems accessing the questionnaire, please email us at tdenby@innertemple.org.uk.

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AccessToLaw - there have been 45,000 visits to our legal gateway site from 168 countries, the majority coming from the UK, USA, India, Australia and Malaysia. The sections of the site accessed most frequently were **Case Law**, **Health and Social Care Law**, the **Caribbean** and **Personal Injury**. The 1,400 annotated entries on the site were checked and amended on a quarterly basis. Entries for UK government websites in particular required careful amendment to reflect the major changes made to their content in the autumn. In the Commonwealth section of the site separate sections were created for the **Bahamas**, **Bermuda** and **British South Atlantic Territories**.



Awards - the staff of the Inner Temple Library were winners of the 2012 Wallace Breem Memorial Award, which was presented at the Annual Conference dinner of the British and Irish Association of Law Librarians. The award was made in recognition of our “considerable contribution to the legal information profession via three sources in particular.” These were *Transcripts of Judicial Proceedings in England and Wales: a Guide to Sources*, the daily **Current Awareness blog** and the **AccessToLaw** legal gateway site. Our nomination was considered by an award panel which endorsed the statement that “the quality of work that [we] do, under considerable budgetary constraints deserves an accolade”. This is the first time since its inception in 1992 that the award has been made to a library rather than to an individual librarian.

Bar Librarians Group - at meetings organised by the Librarian, discussions took place with the

two main legal publishers, Sweet & Maxwell and LexisNexis, on a variety of issues, including the pricing of print and online resources.

Binding - a total of 570 volumes of UK law and 130 volumes of Commonwealth law were bound or rebound during the year.

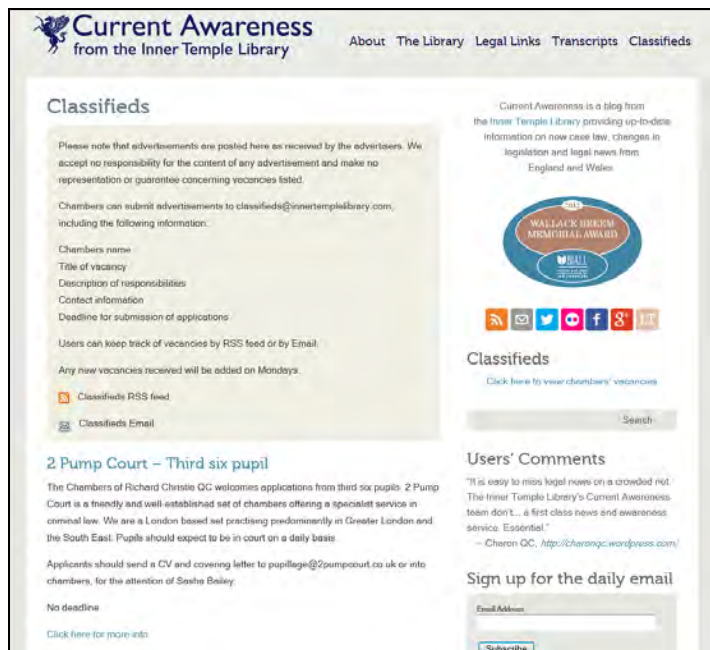
Cataloguing - Almost 200 new law titles and editions were added to the **catalogue** during the year. Given that ours is a “periodical-heavy” collection this accounts of course for a small proportion of the actual number of *volumes* acquired. A major project started in 2012, and which continues, is the cataloguing of our large collection of peerage claims, dating mostly from the 19th century. This category of material is at present for the most part inadequately accounted for in library catalogues generally.

Committees - the Librarian attended meetings of the Inter Inn Libraries Liaison Committee, the Institute of Advanced Legal Studies Library Committee and of the Institute Librarians Group. The Deputy Librarian participated in a working group on information literacy skills, which was set up by the British and Irish Association of Law Librarians. In the summer the group agreed a final set of guidelines and produced a legal information literacy toolkit, which could be used to benefit law students at both academic and vocational stages of training. The Legal Education and Training Review noted the working group’s initiatives with interest and the guidelines will be mentioned in their final report.

Current Awareness Blog - we celebrated the fifth anniversary of the blog in April 2012. Since its inception it has been updated on a daily basis by Library staff and continues to provide users with the latest in legal news, case law and legislation. Over 40 sources are checked each day and 66 are monitored in total, including selected chambers’ websites and practitioners’ law blogs.

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A [Classifieds](#) section for chambers' vacancies was trialled during the year and interest was sufficient for this to be made a permanent feature, which is likely to be developed further in 2013.



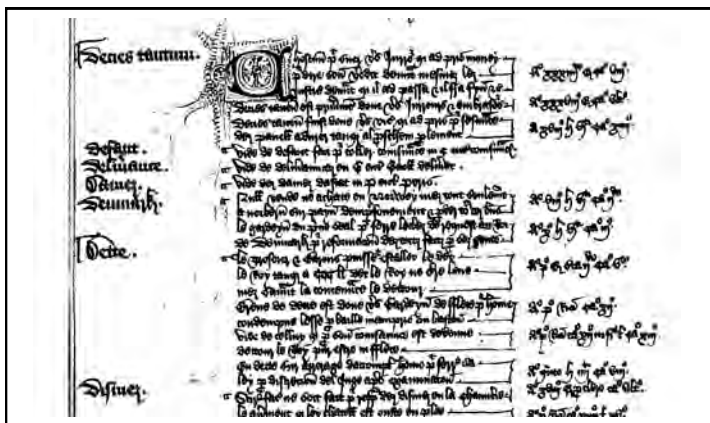
on a long term project to create digitised images from microfilm of the items in the Manuscript collection. The aim is to make the collection available to Inner Temple Library users and to researchers worldwide via the LLMC database.

Document Supply Service - the service is available to barrister members of all four Inns wherever they are based. Over the year, 193 items have been supplied to barristers located in Guernsey, Bermuda, the Bahamas, Northern Ireland, Gibraltar, Brunei, Turks and Caicos Islands, Singapore and Canada. Unsurprisingly, email has now become the preferred method of delivery rather than fax or post.

Donations - members of the Inn continue to present copies of their newly published works. We also receive all [Wildy, Simmonds and Hill](#) publications free of charge. Donations resulted in a saving of £4,495 on monographs and £7,363 on looseleaves in 2012.

The blog now has 28,000 posts, over 1,000 subject categories, 2,200 subscribers via email or RSS feed, and 3,570 followers on Twitter. There are about 20,000 visits per month from over 120 countries, the majority coming from the UK, USA, Australia, Ireland, India, Hong Kong, Canada and Singapore. Our statistics show that the number of readers accessing the blog via mobile devices, especially iPhones and iPads, has grown rapidly compared with last year.

Digitisation - we are collaborating with the [Law Library Microform Consortium \(LLMC\)](#)



Enquiries - staff at the Enquiry Point dealt with 3,800 personal and telephone enquiries from barristers, pupils, students, judges, clerks and researchers. Telephone enquiries and personal enquiries from members of the Bar showed a slight increase on last year's figures. Enquiries are very varied and range from requests for books on subjects such as child witnesses and on arbitration law in Hong Kong to queries on treaties between the UK and Italy on the avoidance of double taxation and the prevention of fiscal evasion and on the Solicitors Accounting Rules as at 1986.

Facebook - the Library's [Facebook](#) page, which was created to promote Library services and as an additional way of communicating with our users, now has 804 "likes". The blog posts, latest Library news, links to new Library publications and new photo sets continue to be posted to the page.

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FAQs - a series of FAQs on [Parliamentary Publications](#) has been added to the existing FAQs on the Library website. The FAQs on UK case law and legislation have been revised and the FAQs on EU case law and legislation and on treaty research are currently being updated. A short glossary of legal terms and phrases which can be used in conjunction with the FAQs is in preparation.

Filming - the Library interior, and Edward Marshall Hall KC's press cuttings on the Camden Town Murder case, featured in a BBC4 documentary series *The Strange Case of the Law*. Three royal letters from the Manuscript collection appeared in a National Geographic television series on the Tower of London, *Bloody Tales of the Tower*, which was presented by the Tudor historian, Dr Suzannah Lipscomb.



Dr Suzannah Lipscomb viewing royal letters

Guides - [Preparing for Pupillage](#), a new guide, which contains useful tips on various aspects of legal research, was produced and circulated to Inner Temple pupils. The content of the Readers' Guide, Student Guide, Quick Reference Guide, Electronic Resources Guide and guides to online services have all been updated. All the guides are available in the Library or can be [downloaded](#) from the website.

Historical Enquiries - Aside from the many queries concerning former members of the Inn, now greatly facilitated by the [Admissions Database](#), enquiries received have been many and various; subjects have included the identity of the sitter in a "Portrait of an Unknown Judge" (probably Sir George Jessel, it was concluded), the significance of the motto "Nomen et Omen" on an Inner Temple member's bookplate, and Sir Edward Marshall Hall and the Camden Town Murder.

IT Facilities - the 24 public access PCs were upgraded to Windows 7 during the year. They continue to be well used for legal research, word processing and checking emails. Over 1,140 word processing sessions were booked on the PCs in the Gallery. The free Wi-Fi access provided in Rooms E, F and G continues to be popular with students and barristers: we had 1,232 requests for the password.

Legal Research Training - the Deputy Librarian carried out a number of refresher training sessions aimed at new pupils. They covered hard copy and online sources and were tailored to meet the needs of small groups or individual pupils. Subjects covered included updating authorities, using commentary sources, researching an unfamiliar area of law and effective use of the main legal databases. Very positive feedback on the sessions has been received from participants.

Littleton Basement - a total of 260 items were retrieved from the Library's basement store in the Littleton Building in response to users' requests. Of these, over half of the items requested were old editions of practitioners' texts. Older Commonwealth material and law reports were also amongst the most frequently requested items.

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Manuscript Enquiries - Historical and literary manuscripts (rather than legal ones, although there is some overlap) have been the main focus of attention, as in previous years. In particular there was much interest in the Anglo-Norman prose *Brut* and in Robert Mannyng's *Chronicle*, portions of both of which are to appear in the next volume of *The Medieval Chronicle*. Other enquiries (to give a few examples) have concerned Higden's *Polychronicon*, poems by Elizabeth I and the Earl of Oxford, accusations leading to the imprisonment of the poet Sir Thomas Wyatt, and the letters of Archbishop Matthew Parker.

Network Upgrade - during July and August the Network Administrators, who are part of the Library team, completed a major upgrade of the Inn's network systems. This entailed the upgrading of desktop and server hardware and the upgrading of the operating systems and software to Microsoft Windows 7 and Office 2010 Professional for desktop PCs, and to Microsoft Server 2008 for the servers. The Library catalogue server was upgraded in December.

Newsletter - four issues of the Library's electronic newsletter, now in its eighth year, were sent out to members and tenants. In April changes were made to the design and layout to give it a more modern look.

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Opening Hours
We intend to operate our normal summer vacation hours (9.00 a.m. to 5.30 p.m.) during the Olympic Games, 27 July to 12 August. However, since Library staff find everyone else are likely to experience problems with travelling into central London by public transport during this period, we hope that our users will bear with us if we need to change these hours at short notice.

Annual Review
The Library's Annual Review for 2011 is now on the website. [Click here to view.](#)

New Justis Databases
The Library now has access to three new Justis databases - England and Wales Judgments Court of Appeal (Criminal Division) 1963-1989, British Virgin Islands Cases and Jamaican Cases.

Website: www.innertemplelibrary.org.uk Blog: www.innertemplelibrary.com Legal Gateway: www.accessstolaw.com

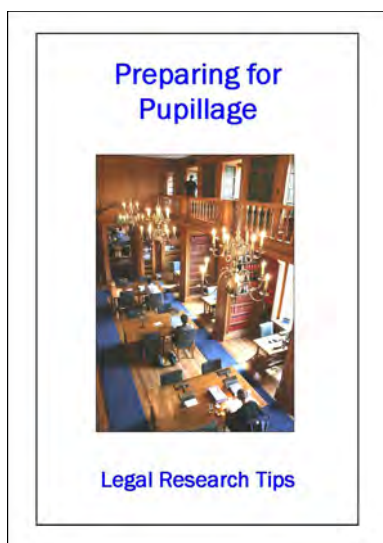
Online Services - new subscriptions were taken out during the year to a number of Justis databases. These included England and Wales Judgments Court of Appeal (Civil Division) 1951-1992, Court of Appeal (Criminal Division) 1963-1989, British Virgin Islands Cases and Jamaican Cases. The Commonwealth databases complement our hard copy specialist holdings. Coverage of one of our current subscriptions, the Times Digital Archive, has been extended by 20 years, so that it now covers the period 1785-2006. Three database training days were organised with the main suppliers, Justis, Lexis Library and Westlaw. These took place in November and were attended by barristers, pupils and Library staff.

Presentations - the Deputy Librarian gave two presentations at the City Law School and one at Kaplan Law School on the services offered by the four Inn Libraries to BPTC students. The presentation is also available on the website as a [slide show](#).

Publicity - the blog continued to receive very favourable comments throughout the year. "Current Awareness is the simplest and most reliable way for lawyers to keep up to date with what is going on in the legal world. The Inner Temple Library team never miss an important event or article." (Adam Wagner - [UK Human Rights Blog / 1 COR](#)). "It really is an excellent facility, and I already find it invaluable. It is particularly useful when I am out of chambers, in the UK or abroad, as it provides not only information but also all the hot-links I need." (Nigel Pleming QC). "A must-read for up to date commentary & a great source of interview fodder." ([Henderson Chambers](#)). "Simply invaluable to any pupillage applicant for current awareness!" ([Pupillage Pages](#)).

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Pupils - tours and training sessions were advertised and carried out during the year, and a new guide aimed at pupils was produced.



Review - a strategic review of library services began in the autumn and is expected to report by July 2013. The review is being carried out by the Library Committee, with the participation of members of other Inner Temple committees and two external librarians.

Space Planning - some titles from the Medico-Legal collection in the Gallery were moved to the Littleton Basement and a project to weed out older books from the Textbooks collection in Room H was started.

Staff Training - courses attended by Library staff included dealing with difficult users, managing training challenges, the future of copyright, official publications, *Pepper v Hart* research, and dealing with damaged books.

Student Events - the Library participated in the Inn's introductory evenings for London and out of London students, and organised tours for new BPTC students in September. Details of student tours were emailed to new student members, as well as being advertised via the BPTC providers, which led to an improvement in take-up.

Visits - during the year we were visited by law librarians from the City Law School, from the law firms Hogan Lovells and Kirkland Ellis, and by library staff from the other Inns, as well

as by a group of East European lawyers, interns from ENSSIB (France's national school for information and librarianship) and a party of library school students from the USA. Library staff visited the libraries at the House of Lords, the LSE and the law firm Hogan Lovells.



The Deputy Librarian welcomes visiting East European lawyers, 21 March

Website - there have been 31,000 visits to the Library website from 138 countries, the majority coming from the UK, USA, Italy, Australia, Canada and India. The most frequently accessed sections of the site were the current Newsletter, latest news section, the online catalogue, the legal research FAQs, Library guides and slide shows.



A Visit to the House of Lords Library

Roia McHugh, Library Assistant, writes

On the 7th of December the Librarian, Deputy Librarian and I took the short trip to the Houses of Parliament to visit the House of Lords Library. We were met on arrival by a familiar face in the form of former Inner Temple Library Assistant, Rebecca Ramsbottom, who is now one of the Assistant Librarians at the House of Lords. We then joined her colleagues from the Library who also formed part of the special collections group. Over tea introductions were made and Senior Assistant Librarian John Greenhead told us briefly about the work of his special collections group and their current focus on creating a display of items held by the Library for their new research facility at 1 Millbank House.

We began the first section of our tour with a visit to the House of Lords Library itself, and were shown round by John and his colleague Shorayne. The Library is a straight corridor of 5 rooms with each room holding a different collection including biography, a historical works section and an extensive legal textbook collection, along with a wide variety of periodicals. The tour started in the Queen's Room which is where both the enquiry point and also the research desk are located. The enquiry point deals with members' enquiries, such as help with books, online databases and reference queries, while the research desk takes on more detailed and lengthy research and produces research notes.



After guiding us through the main collections of the Library, John then took us to the Salisbury Room where Rebecca and her colleagues had arranged a miniature display for us of some of the treasures of the House of Lords collection.

This included a wonderful set of illustrations from James Gillray, a singed Cranmer bible which survived the Parliament fire of 1834, and letters from a previous Librarian of the Inner Temple.

We then left the Library and progressed to the Parliamentary Archives where we were shown around by Collection Care Manager, Lara Artemis. This started with a quick introduction to the role of the Parliamentary Archives as a history of Parliament as distinct from a history of the law. We then went into the [Act Room](#) which holds Acts of Parliament from 1497 in their original parchment form. These Acts are stacked from floor to ceiling the length and breadth of the room; it was interesting to see the variation in the size of Acts and Lara informed us that the largest Acts (which resembled tree trunks) were almost always Tax Acts!

We then went up to the preservation suites. We were given demonstrations of the various methods used for preserving different materials. Lois showed us some presentation boxes she had made for an Act with a seal attached, and Fred, the main binder, took us through some of his processes for preserving the original bindings of damaged books. This highlighted for me the level of skill and craftsmanship required to operate a successful preservation unit, which I found very impressive.

We finally went to the photography studio, where another of Lara's colleagues, Mike, was repairing a map using Japanese tissue paper and an incredibly steady hand. In this department Lara's team work to make reproductions of items to be loaned out on exhibition. We were shown items including a recreation of a dispatch box from the start of the last century and an Act. The calibre of reproduction was so high that they were indistinguishable from the originals to the naked eye. Lara then gave us a short and interesting talk on the process of creating these reproductions and the role of the photography department.

It was very kind of the staff of the House of Lords Library to invite us to visit them, and they pulled out all the stops to ensure the day was interesting and informative. We all enjoyed the experience, and were very impressed by everyone we met.

Grand Day

An encouraging number of Inner Temple members and guests attended an exhibition of manuscripts and printed books in the Library on the evening of Grand Day, November 7 2012.



Members and guests examining Manuscripts on Grand Day

Autograph royal letters from the Tudor and Stuart periods were on display as well as items from our collection of finely illustrated printed books on non-legal subjects. Among the titles on display on this occasion were John Seller's *Sea-Atlas*, 1678, Sir William Hamilton's *Antiquités étrusques, grecques et romaines*, 1766, David Roberts' *The Holy Land*, 1842, and John Ogilby's *The entertainment of His most excellent Majestie Charles II, in his passage through the City of London to his coronation*, 1662.



Benchers discussing the Nuremberg Chronicle on Grand Day

To view photographs of some of the manuscripts displayed click [here](#).

New Archives Office

An extension to the basement of the Littleton Building was completed in December. This will provide a new office for the Archives department and will allow the old office to have mobile shelving installed, thus providing additional storage space for the Inn's records.



New Archives Office

Medical Law on the Blog

All the posts on the Current Awareness blog are indexed using a controlled vocabulary. This enables users to browse categories and subscribe to posts on their chosen topics of interest. As we mentioned in the October issue of the newsletter, there are now over 1,000 individual subject categories. To assist users who are interested in broader subject groupings, we have organised some of these categories into broader subject areas (bundled feeds). Medical Law is the latest addition to our list of broad subject areas. Other subjects include Environmental Law, Family Law and Intellectual Property. For more information click [here](#).

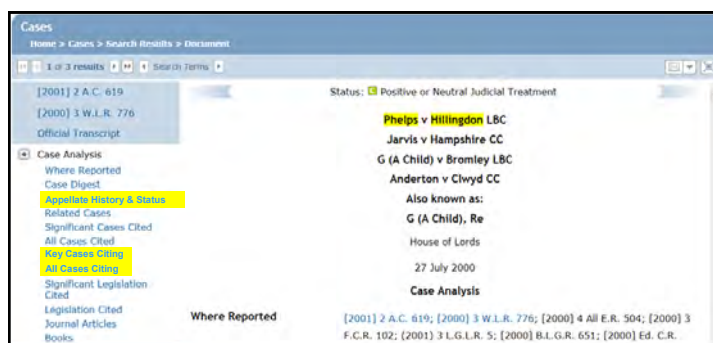
Updating Cases using Electronic and Hard Copy Resources

This article looks at using electronic and hard copy resources to track the judicial history of a case and to find subsequent references to it.

Using Electronic Resources

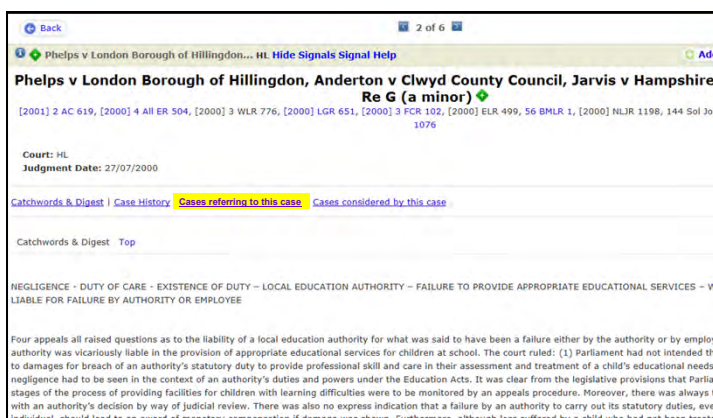
Westlaw - within the Cases database, every case has a Case Analysis attached to it. Within this there is an **Appellate History & Status** section which will show the case's judicial history.

The Case Analysis will also show **Key Cases Citing** and **All Cases Citing**. These tell you how the case has been subsequently treated by other cases.

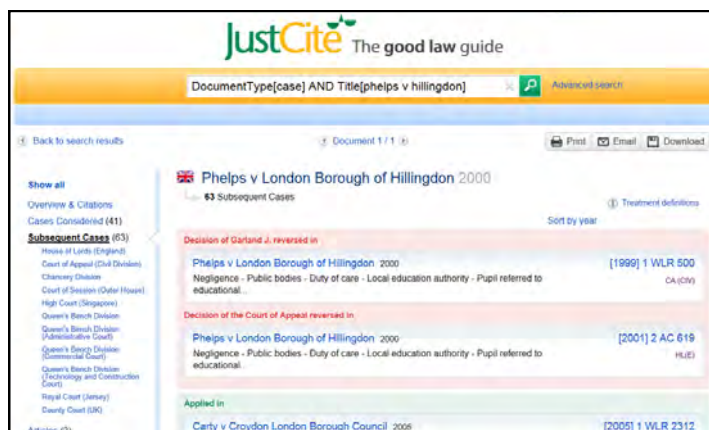


Lexis Library - to find the judicial history of a case, use the **CaseSearch** option within the **Cases** database. For each case there is a **Case History** section which will show the judicial history of a case.

CaseSearch also shows **Cases referring to this case** so you can see how other decisions have treated the case selected.



Justis and JustCite - for each case within the **Cases** database, there is a **Subsequent Cases** option which indicates whether a case has been reversed and how it has been treated by other decisions.



Using Hard Copy Resources

Current law case citator - this consists of a series of volumes covering the years 1947 to 2004, followed by annual volumes. They contain alphabetical indexes of cases for the period indicated on the spine, with comprehensive lists of citations in order of authority, and references to the digest of the case in the *Current Law Yearbook*. There is also an indication of subsequent judicial history (where the case has been applied, over-ruled etc.), with references to relevant summaries in the *Yearbook* of decisions that have referred to the case. When you have found the initial reference to a case, you must use all subsequent volumes to bring it up to date as the volumes are not cumulative. After the last annual volume, use the most recent monthly part of *Current law* to ensure you are as up to date as possible.

The Law Reports and All England Law Reports - the Consolidated Tables and Index volume to the *All England Law Reports* contains Tables of Cases Reported and Considered. The various index volumes of *The Law Reports* include Cases Judicially Considered. You can use these tables to find cases that have subsequently referred to any given case.

AccessToLaw: Australia

For the [AccessToLaw](#) page in this first Newsletter issue of 2013 we turn our attention to a country which celebrates its official national day this month - Australia. Falling each year on 26 January, Australia Day commemorates the arrival of the First Fleet at Sydney Cove in 1788 and the formal establishment shortly afterwards of the first British Crown Colony in Australia, New South Wales. By the end of the nineteenth century there were six separate colonial states. These came together in 1901 to form a federation, the Commonwealth of Australia, which now includes the six states, three mainland territories and many offshore territories. The Australian legal system as a whole comprises nine jurisdictions.

There are several sites which provide a general starting point for research into Australian law. **Researching Australian Law**, written by two law librarians and published on the LLRX.com site, is a lengthy narrative guide with links to the sources it mentions. **Australian Law: Free Online Resources**, part of the Melbourne University Library's site, covers similar ground in a more concise style, with sections devoted to legislation, case law, secondary resources and research guides. Another, briefer guide, arranged primarily by jurisdiction, is provided by the National Library of Australia in its gateway site **Australian Law: Selected Websites**.

Main government websites often provide helpful starting points for legal research, particularly concerning legislation and treaties. The gateway site www.gov.au provides a "whole-of-government entry point" for Commonwealth, state and territory governments and also for access to local government links. The main website of the government of the Commonwealth of Australia is Australia.gov.au; its legal content may be found mostly under "Law and Justice" via the "Topics" tab.

Another Australian Government site, this one of more narrowly legal interest, is **ComLaw**. This is a comprehensive collection, with sophisticated search capability, of all Commonwealth of Australia legislation, including the Constitution, Acts, Legislative Instruments and Bills.

An alternative source for recent Commonwealth Bills, and also for other background material to legislation such as Hansard, is the website of the **Parliament of Australia**. For treaties to which Australia is a signatory there is **Australian Treaties Database**, a site maintained by the Australian Government's Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade.

Many readers will be familiar with **AustLII** (the Australasian Legal Information Institute), Australia's contribution to the Free Access to Law Movement and counterpart of the popular BAILII database. It provides full text databases of most Australian decisions and legislation, both of the Commonwealth of Australia and of the states and territories. Its coverage also includes treaties, law reform material and Australian legal journals.

For many whose research is focused on Australian case law AustLII's comprehensive case coverage makes it the site of first resort, but there are other websites of specific states or courts which may offer not only judgments but much additional information besides. One such court site is **Family Court of Australia**, which provides a link to AustLII's Family Court of Australia cases database and also includes a bulletin on the court's activities and publications on aspects of family law. A state court site which features its own judgments rather than links to AustLII's, and which also includes a current awareness service, is that of the **Supreme Court of Queensland Library**.

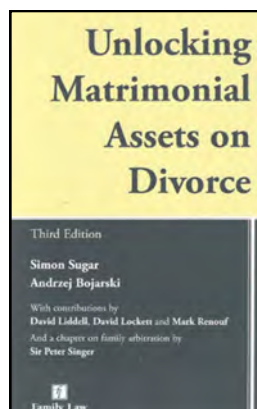
AccessToLaw: Australia cont.

There are several more potentially very useful legal sites at the state level which the need for selectivity prevents us from including in AccessToLaw, but there is one in particular which we do include and which deserves a mention finally here. The **Law and Justice Foundation of New South Wales** is a body which works to improve access to justice for the people of New South Wales. Its website provides a comprehensive gateway for legislation, case law and court information not only for that first, now 225 years old, state New South Wales, but also for the whole of Australia.

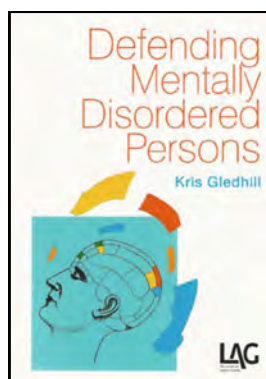
New Acquisitions

We would first like to extend our thanks to the following members of the Inn and others who have presented works to the Library: Master Collins for *Dicey, Morris and Collins on the conflict of laws*; Carl Islam for *Tax efficient wills simplified*; Suganthie Kadirgamar for *Democracy sovereignty and terror* by the late Master (Lakshman) Kadirgamar; Iain Goldrein QC (editor) for *Child case management practice*, 2nd edition; Master Tiley for both *Revenue law*, 7th edition and *Tiley and Collison's UK tax guide*, 30th edition; Barry Denyer-Green and Navjit Ubhi for *Planning and development law*, 4th edition; Master Woolf (co-author) for *De Smith's judicial review*, 6th edition; Master Slade for *Tolley's employment handbook*, 26th edition.

Although it is not an entirely new work, being now in its third edition, *Unlocking matrimonial assets on divorce* by Simon Sugar and Andrzej Bojarski (Jordan) is new to this Library and we are sure it will be welcomed given that family law is one of “our” subjects in the framework of the [Inn Libraries' specialisation scheme](#). It is a practical and user-friendly guide



to some of the more challenging areas of financial remedy practice and contains specialist contributions from a forensic accountant, an actuary and an offshore trust specialist. The new edition features a review of how the law of financial remedies is dealing with the effects of the economic downturn.

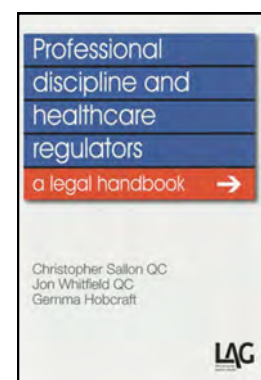


Defending mentally disordered persons by Kris Gledhill (LAG) sets out the civil and criminal legal framework (in large part governed by the Mental Health Act 1983 and the Criminal Procedure (Insanity) Act 1964) and the interaction of UK legislation with the European

Convention on Human Rights. It covers all aspects of the legal process from initial contact with the client through to procedure and evidence, substantive criminal law, sentencing, treatment of prisoners and appeals.

Seamus Burn's *The law of assisted reproduction* (Bloomsbury Professional) examines the impact of the Human Fertilisation and Embryology Act 2008 and the controversial issues surrounding it from legal, ethical, moral, social and medical points of view.

Professional discipline and healthcare regulators: a legal handbook by Christopher Sallon and others (LAG) provides clear, practical guidance and advice for every stage of “fitness to practise” proceedings: how to prepare for a case, presentation at the hearing and coverage of broader issues such as mediation, abuse of process, appeals, judicial review and the Independent Safeguarding Authority.



The last quarter of 2012 saw the appearance of a number of new volumes in the series *Halsbury's laws of Canada*. The areas covered include insolvency, real property, restitution, damages, equitable remedies, estoppel and income tax.