



Inner Temple Library Newsletter

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Strategic Review

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Saturday Opening

One of the four Inn Libraries is open from 10.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. on each Saturday during the legal terms.

January

25 January Lincoln's Inn

February

1 February Middle Temple
8 February Gray's Inn
15 February Inner Temple
22 February Lincoln's Inn

March

1 March Middle Temple
8 March Inner Temple*
15 March Gray's Inn*
22 March Lincoln's Inn
29 March Middle Temple

April

5 April Gray's Inn
12 April Inner Temple
19 April CLOSED

* Please note change in order

To view a Saturday Opening Timetable to December 2014 click [here](#).

Library Committee

Master Beatson stood down as Master of the Library in December after completing three years as Chairman of the Library Committee. At the last meeting of the year Master Beatson was thanked for his service and for the huge amount of work he had put into the strategic review. His successor as Master of the Library is Master Sharp.

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Accessibility - changes made include the installation of a height-adjustable table in Room C, which will allow wheelchair users or those with back problems to adjust their working position simply and easily; replacement of the old print magnifier with a Merlin video magnifier with a 19 inch monitor; and the installation of the new version of JAWS screen reading software on the two large-screen PCs, which are also in Room C.



AccessToLaw - a project to convert the content of our AccessToLaw gateway site (providing annotated links to some 1,300 legal websites) to WordPress format was successfully completed and the site was also moved to a different web host. The sections of the site accessed most frequently were [Case Law](#), [Legal Journals](#), [Health and Social Care Law](#) and the [Caribbean](#); [BAILII](#) was the single most frequently accessed site.

Bar Librarians Group - at meetings organised by the Librarian, discussions took place on matters relating to print and online resources produced by Informa, Sweet & Maxwell, LexisNexis and Justis. The Group, which was set up by the Librarian and Alison Million, chambers librarian at 7 King's Bench Walk, to discuss issues of

common interest to the Inns' and chambers' libraries, celebrated its tenth anniversary in 2013.

Binding - a total of 484 volumes of UK law and 109 volumes of Commonwealth law were bound or rebound during the year.

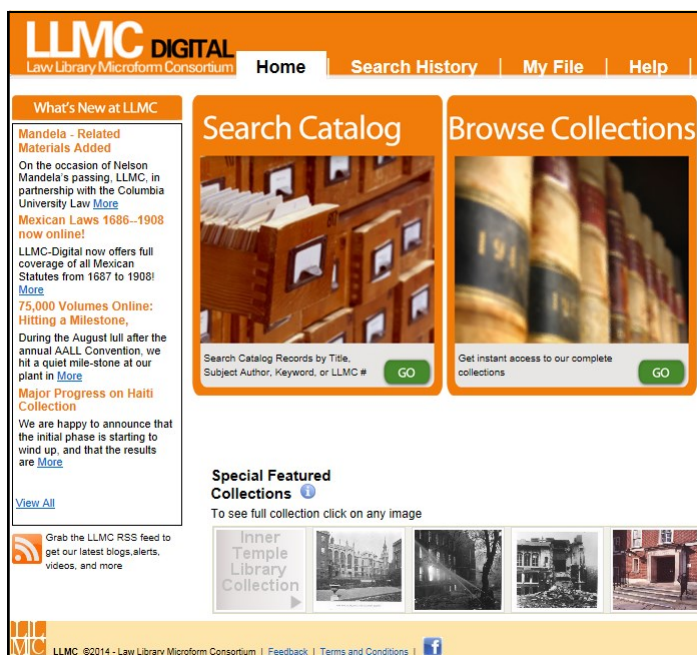
Cataloguing - around 140 newly published law titles and editions were added to the [catalogue](#) during the year. Aside from current cataloguing, the major project, begun in 2012, to catalogue our extensive collection of peerage claims, was completed. This task proved more onerous than at first thought, given that although the collection is contained in 86 volumes, the total number of separate records needed was over 500. The collection, which is housed in the Littleton Basement, is now fully searchable by peerage title and by claimants' family names.

Committees - the Librarian attended meetings of the strategic review group, the Inter Inn Libraries Liaison Committee, the Institute of Advanced Legal Studies Library Committee and the Institute Librarians Group. The Deputy Librarian joined the British and Irish Association of Law Librarians Conference Committee.

Current Awareness Blog - the coverage of the blog has been broadened to include news of forthcoming legal events, such as lectures and seminars, in addition to the latest legal news, new case law and changes in legislation. This enhancement has been received positively. The blog now has 33,551 posts, almost 1,100 subject categories, 2,436 subscribers via email or RSS feed and 5,130 Twitter followers. There are approximately 10-12,000 unique visitors to the site each month. The highest-ranking locations for visitors are the UK, USA, Norway (a new appearance), South Africa, Hong Kong, India and Australia. Our statistics show that 89% of users access the blog via a desktop computer, and 11% use a tablet or a mobile device.

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Digitisation - collaboration continues with the Law Library Microform Consortium (LLMC) on a long-term project to create digitised images from microfilm of documents in the Manuscript collection. So far 50 reels of microfilm (out of 256) have been digitised. LLMC have also added a guest slide show to their site featuring images of the collection, the Library, and the Inn past and present, to introduce the Inner Temple and its manuscripts to their subscribers.



Displays - during the year we mounted displays marking Black History Month and the hundredth anniversary of Lord Birkett's call to the bar, as well as on new acquisitions and on library services for pupils and students. Information sheets are now being produced to complement some of the displays.

Document Supply Service - the service is available to barrister members of all four Inns wherever they are based. Over the year 230 items have been scanned and emailed to barristers located in Guernsey, Bermuda, the Bahamas, Gibraltar, Northern Ireland, Jersey, the Cayman Islands and Australia as well as different locations in the UK.

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 £4,316 on monographs and £7,541 on looseleaf releases and journals in 2013.

Enquiries - staff at the Enquiry Point dealt with 3,800 personal and telephone enquiries from barristers, pupils, students, judges, clerks and researchers, which is the same as the 2012 figure. Enquiries were, as always, very varied. Examples include tracking down legislation on DNA samples; trying to find the 1986 Probate Rules from the British Virgin Islands; and establishing whether the Construction Contracts Bill 2010 (Republic of Ireland) had been passed.

Facebook - the Library's Facebook page now has 1,034 "likes". Blog posts, details of training sessions and links to new Library acquisitions continue to be posted to the page.



FAQs - the series of legal research FAQs on the Library website (which cover UK and EU case law and legislation, treaties and Parliamentary publications) have been revised and updated to take account of changes to UK government websites. A short glossary of legal terms and phrases, which can be used in conjunction with the FAQs, was added to the site.

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Feedback - complimentary feedback was received from users during the year on various aspects of library services, including the enquiry service, Current Awareness blog and the legal research training sessions. *I have had the pleasure of using Inner Temple Library recently on several occasions. It is a wonderful resource and the staff are so helpful. The internet simply cannot duplicate the quantity and quality of the material you have, or provide the knowledge of how to make the most of research materials. Long may it flourish.* (Member of Inner Temple, US lawyer qualifying in the UK). *I receive Current Awareness by email and it is the only legal newsletter I always aim to read every day. Excellent.* (Inner Temple Benchers). *A morning spent in the Inner Temple that has paid dividends during pupillage.* (Pupil participating in a training session).

Filming - the Library was used for filming sequences for a music video featuring Josh Kumra, and for a Panorama programme *I want my baby back*, presented by John Sweeney.

Guides - the content of the *Readers' Guide*, *Student Guide*, *Out of London Student Members Guide* and *Quick Reference Guide*, as well as the guides to online services, have all been updated. All of these are available in the Library or for [downloading](#) from the website.

Historical Enquiries - numerically speaking, queries concerning the careers of former members of the Inn, and the Inn's property (both buildings and artworks) have continued to predominate. Subjects of other enquiries have included the funeral of Lord Attlee, seals of the Knights Templar, and racial discrimination at the Bar.

Internet - the leased line, which is used for the Library's and the Inn's email service and Internet access, was upgraded. A much faster leased line has been installed together with a backup line to ensure greater resilience.

IT Facilities - the public access PCs continue to be well used for legal research, word processing and checking emails. The free Wi-Fi access continues to be popular with barristers and students using their own devices. Our statistics show that Wi-Fi was accessed more than 7,000 times in 2013. In response to users' comments in the strategic review survey we decided to do away with the signing-in system and log-on access for PCs at Gallery level; to make word processing and email available on the main floor PCs (apart from Room A); and to extend Wi-Fi access to Room C, in addition to Rooms E, F and G.

Legal Research Training - during the autumn the Library ran a series of training sessions for new pupils on various aspects of legal research. The aim of the sessions was to improve legal research skills. Take-up was good and feedback indicated that sessions were pitched at the right level, the topics covered were useful, and that participants would recommend the sessions to other pupils. They also found the Deputy Librarian and Senior Library Assistant, who presented the sessions, to be knowledgeable, enthusiastic and friendly. Examples of comments from participants include *Essential training for all new pupils* and *An opportunity for all new pupils to double-check their legal research skills before plunging into the depths of real practice*. Dates have been set for the [training sessions](#) to be re-run in April and May 2014. We have also continued to provide one-to-one training sessions on databases and on printed material for pupils, students and barrister members of the Inn.

Littleton Basement - a total of 275 items were retrieved from the Library's basement store in the Littleton Building in response to users' requests, which is a slight increase on last year's figures. Of these, 100 were old editions of practitioners' texts and the remainder were older Commonwealth material, law reports and journals.

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Manuscript Enquiries - scholarly interest in historical and literary manuscripts, rather than legal ones, has continued to be reflected in the wide-ranging enquiries, and the visits received. Subjects of study have included Archbishop Matthew Parker's metrical translation of the Psalms, the Inner Temple revels of 1561, links between the legal and theatrical professions in the Elizabethan and early Stuart periods, Edward VI's Devise for the Succession (as ever) and Walter Hilton's *Scale of Perfection*.



Walter Hilton's *Scale of Perfection*

Network Projects - during the year the Network Administrators, who are part of the Library team, successfully completed a major project, which involved reconfiguring the Inn's network and changing the existing firewall structure, redeploying existing web servers and enabling new external facing web servers to be set up securely. The Inn's web filtering software was migrated to a cloud-based solution.

Unicorn software, which is used for the Library's online catalogue, was also upgraded.

Newsletter - four issues of the Library's electronic newsletter were sent out to all members and tenants in January, April, July and October.

Online Services - *Atkin's Court Forms* and the *Encyclopedia of Forms and Precedents* were added to the range of online titles subscribed to via Lexis Library. Our subscription to the Justis England & Wales Judgments database (Civil & Criminal) was extended to cover the whole database and not just the archive. The Times Digital Archive has been extended by a year and the coverage is now 1785-2007.

Presentations - the Deputy Librarian gave two well-attended presentations at the City Law School, and one at Kaplan Law School, on the services offered by the four Inn Libraries to BPTC students. She was assisted by a member of staff from Lincoln's Inn Library. The presentation, which is available on the website, has also been updated.

Pupils - tours and legal research training sessions for new pupils were advertised and carried out during the year and the [Preparing for pupillage legal research tips](#) guide was updated.

Staff Changes - one of our Library Assistants, Roia McHugh, left the Inn to become a trainee teacher. She was replaced by Natalie Kent who had been working in the Library as an Evening Assistant whilst studying for an MA in Library and Information Studies. Before that she was the Graduate Trainee at Lincoln's Inn Library.

Staff Training - courses attended by Library staff include e-books and e-resources, electronic publishing, understanding digital preservation and Google analytics, as well as the BIALL conference.

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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.

Surveys - as part of the strategic review of library services, surveys were carried out via the Library website and in-house. Of the 883 responses received, the majority came from the online survey. The survey results and comments, which were made available on the website, were discussed at length by the review group and were a major component of the review. Action was taken at an early stage to implement most of the changes to the Library's IT setup suggested by survey respondents.

Tours - Library tours were advertised and arranged for students, pupils, clerks and other members of the Inn throughout the year. The [virtual tour](#) on the Library website was updated. This was viewed over 3,000 times during the year.

Visits - during the year we were visited by library staff from Lincoln's Inn and Gray's Inn, the Ministry of Justice, the Supreme Court and Kaplan Law School, and pupils from Blackstone Chambers, as well as judges from the California

State Bar and Moscow City Court, Temple Bar scholars, Wake Forest Law School students from the USA and Madame Justice Barnard, the Inns of Court Fellow at the Institute of Advanced Legal Studies. Inner Temple Library staff visited the Ministry of Justice Library and the Squire Law Library in Cambridge.



Ministry of Justice Library staff, 12 July 2013

Website - there were 30,000 visits to the [Library website](#) from 142 countries, the majority coming from the UK, USA, India, Australia and Canada. The most frequently accessed sections of the site were the latest news section, the current Newsletter, the catalogue, the virtual tour, the legal research FAQs, Library guides, slide shows and the Library history pages.



Legal Research Training for Pupils

A helpful refresher of basic legal research interspersed with clever practical tips.

This comment came from a pupil who attended the legal research training sessions run by the Library last autumn. The sessions aimed to provide refresher training on certain aspects of legal research for those starting pupillage in October 2013. The content of the sessions was developed from our previous experience of offering one-to-one sessions for new pupils in the Library. It had become clear that most pupils were concerned about the same issues when faced with legal research and it seemed logical to offer refresher training to larger numbers.

The first training session was a general overview of legal research and covered matters such as deciphering legal abbreviations, the coverage of the major legal databases and essential facts to know about cases, Statutes and subsidiary legislation. The second session looked at case research in more detail and included tracking the judicial history of a case and how to find commentary on a case. The third session covered researching legislation and dealt with how to find different versions of legislation, finding cases that cite legislation and looking for commentary on Acts and SIs. All the sessions involved the use of both hard copy and online sources, as it was apparent that hard copy sources are often neglected when carrying out research.

The three sessions were well attended and feedback was very positive. It was encouraging for the Library staff involved to know that participants felt that the sessions were useful and covered relevant topics, and that they were pitched at the right level and were well presented.

We intend to continue and develop the training sessions. In April and May this year the sessions

will be run again. The [new dates](#) can be found on our website. In order to make the training more interactive, we are planning to devise an online questionnaire that will test participants on the various topics covered in the training. Library staff will check the completed research questions and, as an added incentive, a bottle of champagne will be awarded to the pupil who has the most correct answers and who has displayed a good understanding of how to carry out effective research.

If you have any comments or would like to know more about the training sessions, please email trainingsessions@innertemple.org.uk.

Inner Temple Lecture Series

The theme for the 2014 Lecture Series is *Recent Landmarks in the Law*.

Each lecture counts as 1 qualifying session or 1 hour of CPD.

17 February 2014

Professor Andrew Burrows QC, University of Oxford
Unjust Enrichment

17 March 2014

Joanna Miles, Senior Lecturer and Fellow at the University of Cambridge
LIPs, LASPO and the State of Family Justice

6 October 2014

Professor Robert Stevens, University of Oxford
Contract Interpretation: What it Says on the Tin

10 November 2014

Master Sedley (The Rt Hon. Sir Stephen Sedley)
The Royal Prerogative: Then and Now

Lectures are open to members of the Inner Temple and the other Inns of Court. For details on booking a place for a lecture click [here](#).

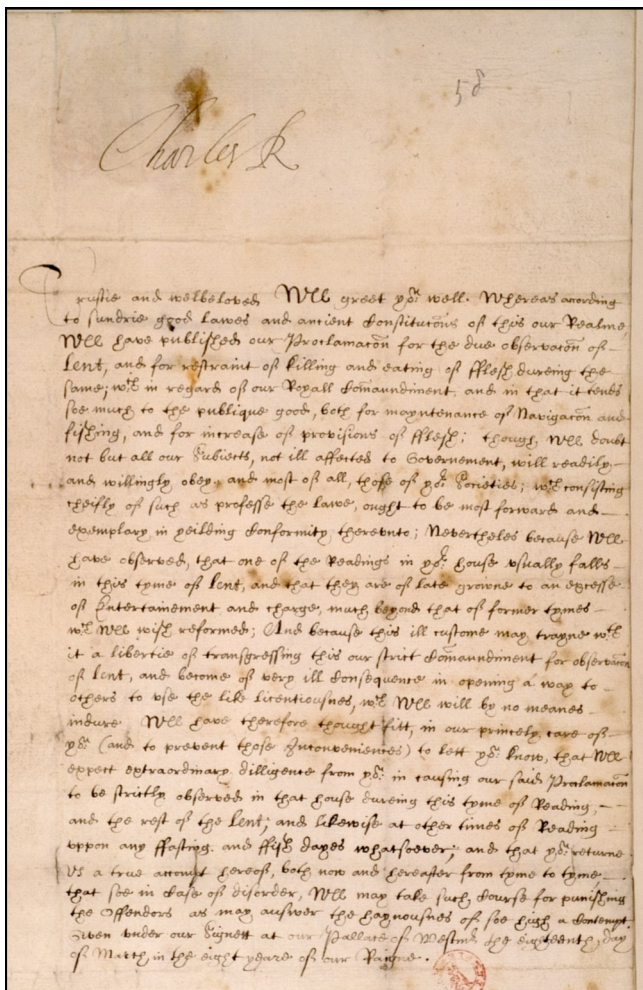
Grand Day

The Inn's guests on Grand Day (6 November) greatly appreciated the exhibition of manuscripts and rare printed books put on by the Library before dinner. Among the manuscripts on display were the illuminations of the four courts at Westminster c.1460, Sir Thomas Egerton's original brief prepared for the trial of Mary Queen of Scots, 1586, Charles I's letter to the Benchers of the Inner Temple urging upon them a more appropriate observance of Lent, 1633, and a number of other royal autographs from the Tudor and Stuart periods. Printed books commanding particular attention included Saxton's *Atlas of England and Wales*, 1579, Sir William Hamilton's

Collection of Etruscan, Greek and Roman antiquities, 1766-1767, Buffon's *Histoire naturelle des oiseaux*, 1770-1786 and Naylor's gloriously illustrated *Coronation of King George the Fourth*, 1837.



Saxton's *Atlas of England and Wales*, 1579



Charles I's letter to the Benchers of the Inner Temple urging upon them a more appropriate observance of Lent, 1633



Members and guests viewing the exhibition on Grand Day

Visitors

On 27 November a group of judges from Moscow City Court were given a tour of the Library as part of their visit to the Inn.

Lord Birkett: 100th Anniversary of Call



Norman Birkett was called to the bar by the Inner Temple in June 1913 aged 29. 2013 was the centenary year of his call, and it is important to acknowledge the achievements of one of the all-time great advocates. An impressive figure in the fields of both law and

politics, and renowned for his brilliant speeches, Birkett is also remembered fondly as a good man who followed his principles; becoming a judge as a matter of duty despite his personal doubts, intervening in the House of Lords to protect Ullswater from becoming a reservoir, and refusing to depart from his Liberal politics to take up a position in the Labour government under Ramsay MacDonald. Created Baron Birkett of Ulverston in the County of Lancaster in 1958, he died in 1962 aged 78.

Brighton Trunk Murder

One of Norman Birkett's most spectacular cases, and one often quoted as an example of how the most damning circumstantial evidence can be revealed for what it really is by skilled advocacy, was the Brighton Trunk murder. Bardens, 1963, p.144

It will rank as one of the great defences in the annals of legal medical records and worthy of a Marshall Hall. Hyde, 1964, p.418

"If it had ever been my lot to decide to cut up a lady in small pieces and put her in an unwanted suitcase," the late Sir Patrick Hastings once remarked, "I should without hesitation have placed my future in Norman Birkett's hands. He would have satisfied the jury (a) that I was not there; (b) that I had not cut up the lady; and (c) that if I had she thoroughly deserved it anyway." Hyde, 1964, p.1

Brighton witnessed two murders in 1934 that attracted the attention of the media. In each unrelated case a woman's body was found hidden in a trunk. Birkett appeared as defence counsel for Tony Mancini in the second of these cases. Mancini was accused of murdering his girlfriend Violette Kaye. Despite evidence against him including the trunk containing Kaye's body being found in Mancini's apartment, Birkett conducted a famous and successful defence which raised his profile as an advocate. Mancini was found not guilty, but Birkett retained a very low opinion of him, saying to his cousin Henry that "he was a despicable and worthless creature. But the acquittal seems to have impressed the popular imagination." Mancini later confessed his guilt before his death in 1974.



Tony Mancini



Violette Kaye

The Saviour of Ullswater

Lord Birkett has been called the "Lakes' Great Advocate". Two days before his death he gave a great and decisive speech in the House of Lords which saved Ullswater from becoming a reservoir for Manchester. He is remembered in the lakes by a fell named after him and a memorial plaque on Kailpot Crag, and by the prestigious Lord Birkett Cup Trophy Race held annually by the Ullswater Yacht Club.

Lord Birkett: 100th Anniversary of Call

Books by or about Lord Birkett in the Library

Abrahams, H. *Britain's national parks*
[Contributions by Lord Birkett] (1959)
Collection: TOPOG.

Bardens, D. *Famous cases of Norman Birkett, K.C.*
(1963) Collection: CRIM.

Bardens, D. *Lord Justice Birkett* (1962)
Collection: LEGAL BIOG.

Birkett, N. *Advocacy : being the Presidential Address of the Right Hon. Sir Norman Birkett, a Lord Justice of Appeal* (1954)
Collection: LEGAL MISC.

Birkett, N. *Criminal justice : problems of punishment* (1948) Collection: CRIM.

Birkett, N. (ed.) *The Newgate calendar* (1951)
Collection: CRIM.

Birkett, N. *Six great advocates* (1961)
Collection: LEGAL BIOG. (Coll.)

Bowker, A. *Behind the Bar* (1947)
Collection: LEGAL BIOG.

Hyde, H.M. *Norman Birkett : the life of Lord Birkett of Ulverston* (1964)
Collection: LEGAL BIOG.

Lustgarten, E. *Defender's triumph* (1951)
Collection: CRIM.

Trial of the major war criminals before the International Military Tribunal, Nuremberg, 14 November 1945 - 1 October 1946 (Presented by Lord Birkett, a Tribunal member, 1956) (1947-1949) Collection: TRIALS

Books with forewords by Lord Birkett

Bancroft, G. *Stage and Bar : recollections* (1939)
Collection: LEGAL BIOG.

Blom-Cooper, L. *The law as literature : an anthology of great writing in and about the law* (1961) Collection: LEGAL MISC.

Hardwick, M. *The verdict of the court* (1960)
Collection: CRIM.

Hyde, H.M. *Judge Jeffreys* (1948)
Collection: LEGAL BIOG.

Hyde, H.M. *Sir Patrick Hastings : his life and cases* (1960) Collection: LEGAL BIOG.

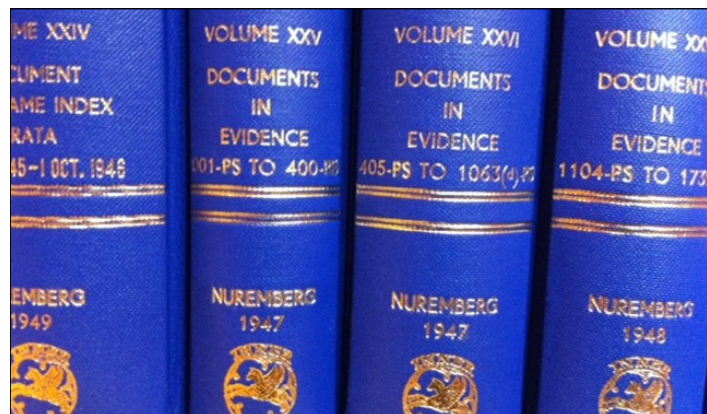
Jackson, S. *Laughter at law* (1961)
Collection: LEGAL MISC.

Topolski, F. *Topolski's legal London : [drawings]* (1961) Collection: INNS OF CT. (FOL.)

Nuremberg Trials

Following World War II, the Allied forces (United Kingdom, Soviet Union, United States of America and France) formed the International Military Tribunal to try the military and political leaders of Nazi Germany for war crimes. The trials took place at Nuremberg, Germany, between 14 November 1945 and 1 October 1946.

Lord Birkett was the British alternate judge at the trials. In 1956, as Treasurer of the Inner Temple, Lord Birkett presented to the Library a full set of the official records of the trials. Known as "The Blue Series", these records are nowadays freely available [online](#).



New Look Lexis Library: Legislation

We highlighted the main changes to the home page and the Cases database on Lexis Library in our last newsletter. This article features the main changes to the **Legislation** database.

You can now obtain an historical version of an Act or SI, once you have located the text of the legislation on screen. A **Request historical version** option can be found on the top right of the screen. Remember that you can only go back to 1998 for historical versions.

The **Find out more** box that accompanies each section of an Act/SI now looks different. You can see how many items there are within each sub-heading e.g. how many articles, commentary items and related cases there are for each item of legislation. Another important change is that related subordinate legislation is now contained within the Annotations.

Halsbury's Annotations are more visible and have been enhanced. You can still view the

Annotations from the **Find out more** box but there is now a yellow message bubble by the legislation so that you can see straight away if there are annotations.

Information now includes:

- * commencement
- * parliamentary debates and the background to legislation
- * words and phrases statutorily defined
- * judicial interpretation of statutes, whether of individual words and phrases, or sections as a whole
- * cross-references to other provisions of the Act and to other relevant legislation
- * subordinate legislation
- * the origin of consolidating legislation

It has been made easier to move between sections as there are very clear blue arrows to move to the next or previous sections of an Act/SI.

The screenshot displays the Lexis Library interface for the '10 Right to prevent processing likely to cause damage or distress' section. The top navigation bar includes 'LexisNexis services', 'My Documents (0)', 'Contact Us', 'Help', and 'Sign Out'. The main header shows 'Lexis Library' and a helpline number. Below the header, there are tabs for 'Search', 'Practice Areas', and 'Sources'. The search bar contains 'UK Parliament Acts'. The main content area features a yellow message bubble and a 'Find out more' box. The 'Find out more' box includes a 'Status Snapshot' section with links to 'Commentary (11)', 'Cases (9)', and 'Journals (7)'. It also includes a 'Halsbury's Annotations' section with a link to 'Halsbury's Statutes Citator (2)'. The 'Document information' section at the bottom right shows 'Data Protection Act 1998' and 'Date made: 16/07/1998'.

AccessToLaw: Armed Forces

In our last issue we looked at the section of **AccessToLaw** devoted to [Personal Injury](#), concluding with mention of three sites which are concerned in various ways with service pension and compensation schemes for injuries sustained as a result of service in the Armed Forces. In this issue we consider another section where, not surprisingly, those entries may also be found - [Armed Forces](#).

The entries in question are **Pensions for Veterans**, **War Pensions and Armed Forces Compensation Tribunal** and **Pensions Appeal Tribunal Scotland**. These and eleven others, a total of fourteen entries, make up the current Armed Forces section.

The most significant recent piece of legislation in this area was the Armed Forces Act 2006. It brought many reforms including harmonisation of service law between the three armed services, a new single service prosecuting authority, and changes to the system of courts martial. A major source of information on current UK service law is the Ministry of Defence section of the GOV.UK site. To assist in accessing the complex web of interlinked pages there we provide four specific entries.

The first of these is **Ministry of Defence: Joint Service Publication**, the MOD's extensive Joint Service Publication (JSP) series in which are published for example the *Manual of Service Law*, the *Joint Service Manual of the Law of Armed Conflict*, and the *Service Police Codes of Practice*. All are available in full text.

Information on the present system of internal inquiries by the Armed Forces into serious accidents and incidents, including texts of recent inquiry reports, is available via the entry **Ministry of Defence: Service Inquiry**.

Pensions for Veterans, noted above, is also a section of GOV.UK. Information and documents available there include details of the current

Armed Forces Pension Scheme 2005, the War Pensions Scheme (for injuries sustained before 6 April 2005), and the new Armed Forces Pension Scheme scheduled for introduction in 2015.

The last of these GOV.UK entries relates to the defence estate. A review of the byelaws regulating the use of military land is currently in progress, and **Ministry of Defence: Byelaws Review** links to pages setting out not only current byelaws but also lapsed, revoked and proposed new byelaws, besides information on the consultation and review process.

Information on court martial procedure may be found on the Justice portal site, in a section devoted to the **Office of the Judge Advocate General**. The Judge Advocate General is the presiding judge in the services criminal jurisdiction; administration of courts martial is the responsibility of the Office, and content there includes extensive official guidance on court martial practice, procedure and sentencing.

The single prosecuting authority referred to above is the **Service Prosecuting Authority**, which initiates prosecutions and conducts proceedings in the service courts of first instance and the service appellate courts. Site content includes a brief description of the military criminal justice system.

There is an entry for the independent **Service Complaints Commissioner** for the Armed Forces, a post created following recommendations made by Nicholas Blake QC (now Mr Justice Blake) in the **Deepcut Review**. This was a review of the circumstances surrounding the deaths of four soldiers at Deepcut Barracks in Surrey between 1995 and 2002. There are entries also for the websites of two public inquiries into allegations against British soldiers relating to the deaths of Iraqi nationals in the Iraq War, the **Baha Mousa Public Inquiry** which reported in 2011 and the ongoing **Al-Sweady Public Inquiry**.

A2L: Armed Forces cont.

A comprehensive starting point for research in UK armed forces law is provided by **Aspals Legal Pages**, a site aimed primarily at military and international lawyers involved in court martial defence work in the UK. There are digests of domestic court martial cases and international cases, and links to judgments, relevant legislation, news and articles about military law.

For a wider international starting point there is **WorldLII: Military Law**, the military law section of the World Legal Information Institute's website, providing links to military law resources by country (though coverage varies, and it cannot be recommended for its UK content), commentaries, treaties, inter-governmental organisations and law journals.

Selected Print Publications on Armed Forces Law held by the Library

BOOTHBY, William H. *Weapons and the law of armed conflict* (2009)

HALSBURY'S LAWS OF ENGLAND, 5th ed. volume 3: *Armed conflict and emergency & Armed forces* (2011)

METTRAUX, Guénaél *The law of command responsibility* (2009)

PAPHITI, A. S. *Military justice handbook for court martial practitioners* (2013)

RANT, J. W. *Rant on the court martial and service law* (2009)

Guest Lecture at UCL

Natalie Kent, Library Assistant, writes

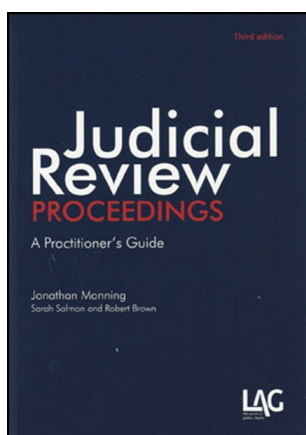
In December I returned to University College London where I was studying for an MA in Library and Information Studies before joining the Inner Temple Library full-time in September. I was invited to give a guest lecture to current MA students on my research into historic library catalogues.

A highlight of my year at UCL was my involvement in a research project with the Royal College of Physicians Library. This project involves transcribing and interpreting entries in their 1660 printed Library catalogue, only one copy of which now exists in Britain. This research forms the basis of the dissertation I wrote over the summer. The catalogue reveals that the Library held a high proportion of relevant medical books, but also a considerable number of books on non-medical subjects. I was able to compare this collection with the catalogues of other professional libraries, including those of the Inns of Court, gaining new insight into these institutions and early professional education.

I gave the lecture to students taking the Historical Bibliography module, a course which I took during my time at UCL. This course looks at the physical components of books, particularly those printed before 1850, and the history of printing. It provided me with invaluable knowledge and skills for working with early printed books. I was able to talk to the students about the progress of the project and my findings so far. I am also due to present a paper on this subject at the St Andrews Book Conference later in the year.

New Acquisitions

Judicial review proceedings: a practitioner's guide by Jonathan Manning, Sarah Salmon and Robert Brown (LAG) was presented by Jonathan Manning. Although now in its third edition the work is new to us. It covers the substantive grounds on which a claim can be brought, deals with specific areas of law where the decisions of public authorities are commonly challenged, and provides a step-by-step guide to running a claim including guidance on funding, pre-application procedure, the hearing and a new chapter on the jurisdiction of the Upper Tribunal. The *New law journal* called it "a remarkably lucid guide to the dynamics of judicial review".



The law and practice of charging orders on land (Wildy, Simmonds & Hill, presented, as are all their new books, by the publishers) explains the history of the law on charging orders, which culminated in the Charging Orders Act 1979. It explains how to apply for a charging order and how the court is likely to exercise its discretion on such an application at both the interim and final stages. It considers the often difficult issues of priority that can arise in relation to charging orders and explains how a charging order, once made, may be challenged and examines the process whereby a charging order may be enforced through an order for sale. It also considers other cognate forms of order which create a charge over land and contains examples of relevant documents.

Matthew Collinson has presented his *Procurement of utilities: law and practice* (Oxford). Aimed primarily at non-regulatory lawyers this book provides a practical guide to transactions involving utilities and in particular the procurement of goods and services from utilities (rather than by utilities). Focusing on the law of England and Wales, the book covers the

regulation of utilities including gas, electricity, water, sewerage, and telecommunications. It also addresses the relevant competition law as well as considering matters relating to renewable energy, consumer protection, property, and planning issues commonly encountered in relation to utilities. The regulatory position is considered at every stage of development of the utility network, starting with the purchaser's initial discussions with the utility, then the construction of the network, the flow of gas, electricity or water, and concluding with the disconnection of the end customer.

Master Sarah Clarke, previously a technical specialist and in-house counsel in the Financial Services Authority's Enforcement Division, has presented her new work *Insider dealing: law and practice* (Oxford). The publishers state that it is the first work to offer a detailed treatment of this rapidly developing and complex area of law. The text provides a detailed analytical critique of the recent cases and developments, including treatment of the background to this area, all cases, and the first ever sentencing guidelines for insider dealing.

We would like to extend our thanks to those mentioned already who have kindly presented their publications to the Library and also to Master Robinson (joint author) for *The FCPA and the UK Bribery Act*; Fiona Hay (joint author) for *Pensions on divorce*, 2nd edition; Carl Islam for *Tax-efficient wills simplified* (revised edition); and Anthony Paphiti for *Military justice handbook for court martial practitioners*.

Finally we must mention a notable addition to the legal biography collection: *A short book of bad judges*, completed by the late Master Graeme Williams shortly before his death last November.

