



Inner Temple Library Newsletter

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Overnight Loans Trial

A trial scheme for overnight loans started in March and is taking place over a three-month period up to the end of May. We are running this trial in response to suggestions received during last year's strategic review of library services.

Barristers (including pupils) who are members or tenants of the Inner Temple, and barristers (including pupils) from chambers adjacent to the Inn are allowed to borrow up to two current English law textbooks (i.e. those housed in Room H) thirty minutes before the Library closes. Books are to be returned by 9.30 a.m. on the next day that the Library is open.

If the trial runs without problems, we would hope to offer this service on a permanent basis.

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.



April

12 April	Inner Temple
19 April	CLOSED
26 April	Lincoln's Inn

May

3 May	Middle Temple
10 May	Gray's Inn
17 May	Inner Temple
24 May	CLOSED
31 May	Lincoln's Inn

June

7 June	Middle Temple
14 June	Gray's Inn
21 June	Inner Temple
28 June	Lincoln's Inn

July

5 July	Middle Temple
12 July	Gray's Inn
19 July	Inner Temple
26 July	Lincoln's Inn

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

Legal Research Training

Last year 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. Feedback from participants was very positive and it was decided to run the sessions again in April and May 2014.

This year to make the training more interactive we have devised an online questionnaire to accompany each session. The trainers will check the completed research questions and the pupil who has the most correct answers and who has displayed a good understanding of how to carry out effective research will win a bottle of champagne.

The first session, which covers the essentials of legal research, took place on April 5. Once again feedback from participants was positive. They said that the session was pitched at the right level, the topics covered were very useful and that they would recommend the session to other pupils. Participants expressed particular interest in the guidance provided on researching the history of cases, on historic legislation searches and on the content of individual subscription databases. One pupil, who described the trainers as “excellent, welcoming and very accessible”, also commented, “I wish I did this training in October 2013. It would have made my life much easier in the first six, which is research/paper based”.

The second and third sessions take place in May and details are as follows:-.

Session 2: Legal Research: Cases

Tuesday 6th May 2014, 5.15 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.

Location: Inner Temple Drawing Room

Session 3: Legal Research: Legislation

Wednesday 21st May 2014, 5.15 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.


Location: Inner Temple Luncheon Room

Those wishing to attend either or both of the sessions can register for a place by emailing trainingsessions@innertemple.org.uk. Please indicate the chambers where you are a pupil.

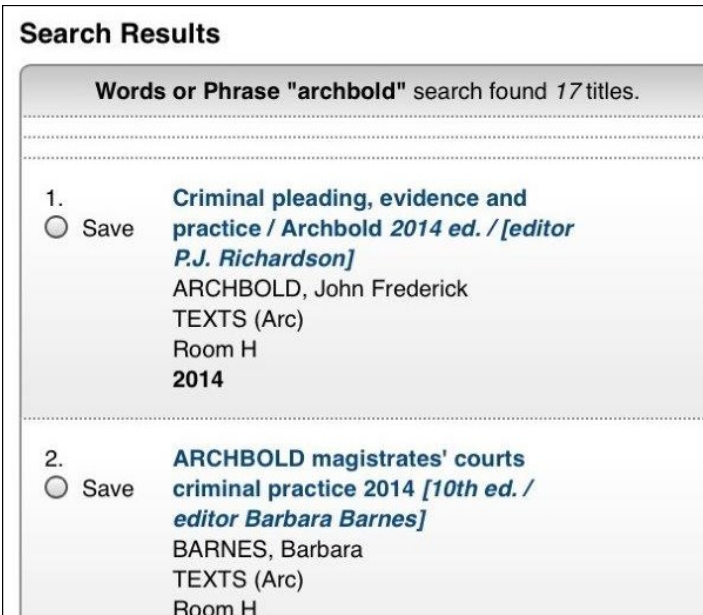
E-Library

In early 2014 the Library’s [online catalogue](#) was upgraded to SirsiDynix’s e-Library. This followed a lengthy period of testing and customisation. The interface has been modernised and redesigned to make it more user-friendly and to bring it in line with the Library’s other online branding. It is now also compatible with mobile devices. The catalogues of the other three Inn Libraries can be accessed through this same interface.

The actual functionality of the catalogue has not changed: you can still search by author, title, subject, keyword and series, in various combinations, as well as browsing the catalogue. We welcome feedback on the new version of the catalogue, from PC users and from mobile users.

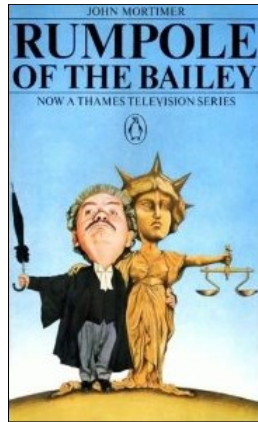


Above and below: Mobile-friendly version of the catalogue



Literary Connections with the Inner Temple

What do Bram Stoker, Geoffrey Chaucer, Charles and Mary Lamb, Sir John Mortimer, Dr Samuel Johnson, and Thomas Hughes all have in common? They were all members or residents of the Inner Temple who gained fame for their contributions to literature.



The Inns of Court, throughout their long history, have had close ties to literary activities. In particular, the late sixteenth century saw the Inns become major centres of poetry and theatre, and many playwrights, poets and authors have numbered among the Inner Temple's members and associates.

In March, a new display produced to coincide with World Book Day highlighted some of these notable literary members. A [leaflet](#) accompanying the display, which draws attention to printed material in our collection by or about our literary members and residents, can be viewed on the Library website.

Book Prize

The Inner Temple Book Prize was launched in 2008 as part of the celebrations marking the 400th anniversary of the grant of a Royal Charter to Inner and Middle Temple. The Prize is intended to encourage and reward the writing of books which make an outstanding scholarly contribution to the understanding of the law as administered in England and Wales. To mark the 800th Anniversary of Magna Carta, the Book Prize will be awarded again in 2015. Further details will be available in May 2014.

Shakespeare and the Law

A playwright, poet and actor, William Shakespeare is considered by many to be the greatest English author and the leading dramatist of the Elizabethan theatre. The 450th anniversary of his birth falls in April 2014, so it is an opportune time to celebrate his life and works, among which are 38 attributed plays, 154 sonnets, and 3 narrative poems, which are still loved and regularly performed.

What may be less well known are the links between Shakespeare and the law. References to the law, lawyers, and legal maxims occur frequently in his works, to such an extent and with such accuracy that some scholars believe that he was a student of the law at one of the Inns of Court, or even that the works attributed to him were written by Gray's Inn member Francis Bacon.



The Inner Temple Library holds many titles by or about Shakespeare, including several which consider the links between Shakespeare and the law and which are highlighted in a new display in the Library. A [leaflet](#) to accompany the display may be found on the Library's website.

ICLR Online Platform Upgrade

Daniel Hoadley, ICLR Business Development Manager, writes

ICLR are pleased to announce the launch of an entirely new user interface for ICLR Online. The substantial enhancements delivered by the new design render ICLR Online more comprehensive, precise and convenient than before. Among the improvements are:

unified search – users can now search ICLR’s entire archive of law reports, together with our database of Citator+ Overviews, from a single search form. This makes it faster and easier for users to find the cases that matter to them, regardless of whether ICLR or another leading English publisher of law reports has covered the case they are looking for.

dashboard – ICLR Online now includes our new current awareness ‘dashboard’ interface allowing users to see the most recently

published case summaries, law reports and case notes at a glance.

new look interface – we have de-cluttered the user interface, increasing the size of the reading space and making the service easier to navigate.

real mobile optimisation – we have optimised ICLR Online for use with mobile and tablet devices. Rather than merely attempting to squeeze the desktop view into a smartphone or tablet screen, ICLR Online automatically detects the size of the screen on any mobile device and adjusts the display accordingly. So ICLR Online is now a truly mobile online legal research platform.

The philosophy at the heart of the new ICLR Online platform has been to couple the ICLR’s reputation for quality, precision and accuracy with an online platform that is simple to use. To try ICLR Online for yourself, click [here](#) for a free trial.

The screenshot displays the ICLR Online Platform Dashboard. On the left is a dark sidebar with navigation links: Dashboard, Case Search, Case View, Briefcase, My Account, and Help. The main content area has a green header with the ICLR logo and a 'Dashboard' title. Below this is a search section with three input fields: 'Case name(s)', 'Citation', and 'Free text', each with a placeholder text. A green 'Submit Search' button is at the bottom of the search section. To the right of the search section are three columns of 'Latest Case Summaries' and 'Latest Law Reports'. Each column contains a list of case entries with their categories, titles, citations, and dates. For example, the first entry in the 'Latest Case Summaries' column is 'Legal aid - Availability - Public law category' with the case 'Bhatia Best Ltd v Lord Chancellor [2014] EWHC 746 (QB)' dated 26 Mar 2014.

AccessToLaw: Air and Space Law

The complex search effort that followed the disappearance last month of Malaysia Airlines flight MH370 brought together organisations of many kinds, including private companies, national governments and their agencies, and international organisations, all of them concerned in one way or another with aspects of the aerospace industry, the regulation of air safety, or air accident investigation. One notable breakthrough during that search effort resulted from collaboration between the British satellite communications company Inmarsat and the UK's Air Accidents Investigation Branch (AAIB). It is the website of the AAIB which heads the [Air and Space Law](#) section of [AccessToLaw](#).

The **Air Accidents Investigation Branch** is part of the Department for Transport and has responsibility for investigating civil aircraft accidents and serious incidents within the UK and its overseas territories. Publications on the site include AAIB bulletins and reports of various kinds, and a small number of reports published by foreign accident investigation authorities. "Guidance and regulations" includes links to civil aviation regulations on the Legislation.gov.uk site.

Amongst the section's seven other entries there is only one other specifically UK site - that of the **Civil Aviation Authority (CAA)**, which regulates all aspects of civil aviation in the UK. In relation to air traffic services the CAA also has competition powers. The site's Aviation Legislation section is not readily apparent from the home page but may be located by selecting first "About the CAA" and then "Our Role". It provides links to the Air Navigation Order 2009 and other UK and EU legislation. Also available to download is the publication *CAP 393: Air Navigation: the Order and the Regulations*, which sets out the provisions of the Air Navigation Order as amended and regulations made thereunder.

At the European level, the **European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA)** is an agency of the European Union responsible for various regulatory and executive tasks in the field of civil aviation safety and environmental protection. It provides advice on the drafting of new legislation and on implementing and monitoring safety rules. EU Regulations, EASA Opinions and Decisions and many other documents are published on the site.

The development of international standards and practices in aviation is a function of the **International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO)**, an agency of the United Nations based in Montreal. It was created in 1947 by the Convention on International Civil Aviation 1944 (the "Chicago Convention"). Information on the Chicago Convention includes texts of all nine editions to date. "Treaty Collection" includes lists of parties to multilateral air law treaties from the Warsaw Convention (1929) onwards, and status information on individual states with regard to such treaties. Further legal information is provided by ICAO's Legal Affairs and External Relations Bureau (within the site's "Bureaus" section).

Also based in Montreal is the **McGill University Institute of Air and Space Law**. Its "Research Online" section includes conventions, protocols and other documents relating to air, aviation and space law. Another site which aims to provide a first point of reference for research is **AviationLaw.EU**. It features references and extensive links to both primary and secondary materials, including international treaties and case law, European law, national legislation and cases, official publications of international organisations, and academic materials. It also incorporates a recently launched Aviation Law Blog.

A2L: Air & Space Law cont.

The remaining two entries are concerned more narrowly with space law. The **United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs** (UNOOSA) is based in Vienna and is responsible for promoting international cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space. The site's "Space Law" section includes treaties and agreements governing space activities, a database of national space laws, and space law FAQs.

The **International Institute of Space Law** (IISL) was founded in 1960 with the purpose of cooperating with international and national organisations to foster the development of space law and study the legal and social science aspects of the exploration and use of outer space. The web site includes standing committee reports, the statutes and bylaws of the IISL and publications, including conference reports and proceedings.

Network News

Over the last year, the Network Administrators, who are part of the Library team, have been working with the Estates Department to implement QFM, a new facilities management database and helpdesk system. This project is nearing completion and will allow the Estates Department easily to monitor and maintain all aspects of the Inn's Estate. In due course it will also provide a rich web interface for Inner Temple staff and tenants to log requests and defects and track their progress.

The Network Administrators are also working with the Treasury and Education & Training Departments to test and implement a new membership database, which is scheduled to go live in early 2015. This new database will provide additional functionality for Inner Temple employees and will provide a new interface for members to use through a web-browser.

Inner Temple History Society

The Benchers have recently given their approval to the formation of an Inner Temple History Society. There will be no subscription for the Society which is open to all members, employees and friends of the Inn. It is hoped to have one meeting each term, which will take the form of a talk on the history of the Inn, distinguished past members, or the legal profession and the law generally.

Professor Sir John Baker, who was called to the Bar by the Inner Temple and is now an Honorary Benchers and Master of the Inn's Archives Committee, has agreed to be Patron of the Society. On 9th July 2014 he will give the inaugural talk, *Frozen Matrimony and Melting Frigidity*, which deals with the subject of difficult Elizabethan marriage problems. To book for this event click [here](#).

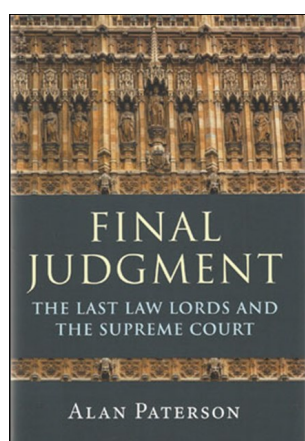
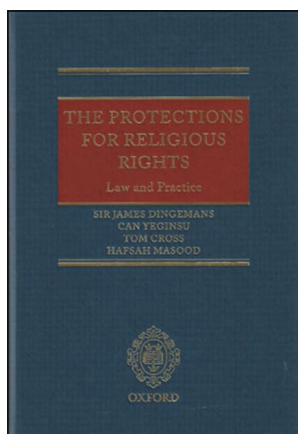


Replacement Photocopiers

Regular users of the Library will be pleased to hear that we have recently replaced the old photocopiers with two new Canon copiers. We hope that paper jams and other problems will now be a thing of the past.

New Acquisitions

The Protections for religious rights by Sir James Dingemans and others (OUP) is the first practitioner work to offer a full and systematic treatment of what – to quote Master Rix’s foreword – is “strange to say, essentially a new subject to English law”. This text examines the applicable legal instruments, considers the current state of the law, and reviews domestic, comparative, and international case law to provide a comprehensive reference resource. Comparative perspectives are also considered in an extensive chapter drawing on expertise from the United States, Canada, South Africa, Australia, India, Ireland, New Zealand, and Turkey. Other areas where protections for religious rights are engaged are addressed in a final chapter including coverage of places of worship, criminal law, planning, charitable status, prisons, immigration, and animal rights. Master Dingemans kindly presented us with a copy of this work.



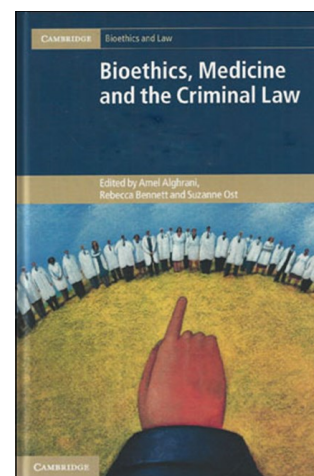
Like the same author’s *The Law Lords*, published in 1982, *Final judgment: the last Law Lords and the Supreme Court* by Alan Paterson (Hart) draws on interviews – over 100, conducted with a total of 36 Law Lords – and constitutes a landmark study of appellate judging “from the inside”,

with insights from social psychology and strategic theory and collegiality. This will be a valuable addition to our legal history collection.

David Giles and Maurice Rifat, in their *Vexatious litigants and civil restraint orders:*

a practitioner’s handbook (published by Wildy, Simmonds & Hill, who graciously present us with copies of their new titles) explain the historical origins of and responses to vexatious litigation and analyse the legislation and rules designed to counter it, principally the civil restraint order provisions of the Civil Procedure Rules and section 42 of the Senior Courts Act 1981. They outline case management strategies for preventing and controlling the worst excesses of obsessive litigants, considering how parties, facing actual or threatened restrictions on their right of access to the courts, can resist and respond to such applications and orders, and the limitations of the current regime relating to vexatious litigants and litigation.

It is appropriate, given our responsibility among the Inn Libraries for criminal law and medical law, that we should have acquired a major new collection of essays exploring the overlap between these areas of law. This is *Bioethics, medicine and the criminal law* (Cambridge, 3 volumes). Recurring themes are abortion, end-of-life issues, sexual offences and the ethics of medical treatment.



Thanks are due to the following members of the Inn and others, in addition to those already mentioned, who have presented new titles and editions to the Library recently: Adrian Carr (editor) for *Service charges and management*, 3rd edition, written by members of Tanfield Chambers; James Kessler QC for his *Drafting trusts and will trusts in Scotland: a modern approach*; Stephen Field for *The Prisons handbook 2014* edited by Mark Leech; Master Keith for *Hong Kong cases, 1946-2011*; and Donald Trotman for his memoir *Tales of Inns and Temples: in the footsteps of the Knights Templar*.