



NEWSLETTER

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Project Pegasus Update

The Executive Committee met on 21 July 2015 to consider a number of options in relation to Project Pegasus: Scheme 1, Scheme 1.5 and Scheme 2. It had before it a submission from the Library Committee. This opposed Scheme 2 because of its impact on the Library (in comparison with Schemes 1 and 1.5), which it identified as follows:

- The Library's entire upper floor and gallery would be converted into meeting rooms, offices and an auditorium for Education & Training.
- Half of the Library's main floor (Rooms E, F, G, H and J) would be lost to storage, equipment, and lifts and stairs to a new fourth floor extension also for Education & Training.

- 50% of reader places would be lost.
- Up to 25,000 books from the main part of the Library would be displaced.
- The Library would be closed for over a year and a half for the works to be carried out.

The Executive Committee decided to recommend Scheme 2 to Governing Benchers.

On 1 October, Bench Table decided that the issue should be the subject of a postal vote of all Governing Benchers. This would follow a specially convened meeting of Bench Table, at which the various issues raised by Project Pegasus could be discussed. Bench Table also decided that voters would be given the option of deciding whether there should be a redevelopment at all; and if a majority so decided, which option should be adopted.

On 21 October 2015 the specially convened meeting of Bench Table was held. It was addressed by a number of speakers, including the Master of the Library. On 2 November 2015, the Inn announced the result of the postal vote. A majority of Governing Benchers who voted, voted in favour of redeveloping the Treasury Building. Out of the various options considered, Scheme 2 obtained 51.6% of the votes cast.

In the interim, an application to list the Treasury Office, Library and Hall has been made to Historic England. The result of that application will be known at some point after 4 December 2015, when the period for consultation and comments on the application closes

We are grateful for the appreciation of the Library and support of it shown by our users during this process.

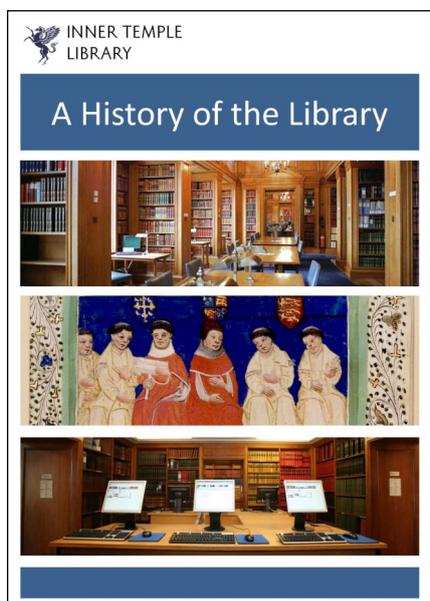
Open House Weekend

Over the weekend of 19 - 20 September the Inner Temple and Middle Temple participated in London Open House Weekend as part of the programme of events to mark the 800th anniversary of the sealing of Magna Carta. Both Inns opened their doors to welcome members of the wider public to the Temple.

Seven members of the Library team were on duty each day to welcome visitors and answer their questions. Over 2,300 people visited the Library and had the opportunity to view a selection of historical manuscripts, as well as displays about Magna Carta, Sir Edward Marshall Hall, the Murder in the Temple of 1733, Library history and the process of researching legal cases.



We created a *History of the Library* booklet from our website content especially for this occasion and 2,000 copies were taken away by visitors.



New Staff

Verity Parkinson, Library Assistant, writes



I joined the Inner Temple Library as a full-time Library Assistant in August, having spent the year prior to that working here as an Evening Assistant (which was very useful for getting a basic understanding of the Library's collections and purpose).

I am enjoying actually seeing what the Library is like in the daytime and getting to know the other library staff better, as well as having the opportunity to do more complex library work such as assisting with legal research queries. The training I am receiving from my colleagues is very thorough, and I am finding getting to grips with all of the details of law reports and legislation really interesting.

I completed my MA in Library and Information Studies at UCL in September. Before starting my course, I worked as a Graduate Trainee Library Assistant at the Institute of Advanced Legal Studies; the experience in working with legal materials and the training in legal research I received there has been very useful for working at the Inner Temple.

The Inner Temple Library is a delightful place to work. The collections are so comprehensive and wide-ranging that it's rare not to be able to provide library users with the material they need, and the other staff have all been very welcoming. I feel very much at home here and am looking forward to gaining more expertise in my role.

Legal Research Training for Pupils

The Library's popular legal research training course was held again in September and October. This course consisted of three sessions, as before, but this autumn we changed the format in response to feedback from previous attendees. The first session was an overview of legal research, covering aspects of researching case law and legislation. The second and third sessions were adapted to a workshop format. Participants in these were given a series of questions, firstly on cases and then on Acts and statutory instruments. They were then taken to the Library where they could use the extensive resources available to answer the questions.

Questions included:

“Find the Act that banned the practice of burying suicides under public highways with a stake through the body.”

“There was a White Paper that introduced the Human Rights Bill sometime in 1997. Where is this White Paper in the Library?”

We encouraged pupils to use both hard copy and electronic resources; some questions could only be answered using the hard copy. In all our training we emphasise the need to become familiar with using a full range of resources as in our experience the research barristers do cannot always be carried out using databases exclusively.

Feedback from the workshops was very encouraging; comments from attendees included:

“I found it a very helpful and educational session”

“I found it incredibly useful”

“Very useful especially since it was interactive”

Session one: an overview of legal research will be run again on Wednesday 13 January 2016 starting at 6.00 p.m.

Please contact tdennis@innertemple.org.uk if you would like to book a place.

Students' Open Day

On Wednesday 23 September the Library held an Open Day for new BPTC students. We explained to them how the Library is arranged, outlined our collections and services, and demonstrated the online resources to which we provide access, including both the subscription packages and the resources we create ourselves ([AccessToLaw](#), [Current Awareness blog](#) and [Legal Research FAQs](#)).

The attendees were offered the opportunity to take part in a quiz designed to help them find their way round the Library. The correct answer sheets were entered into a prize draw to win a three-course lunch for two in Hall, drinks included. We also offered individual tours of the Library, which many of the attendees accepted.

Participants received Inner Temple Library tote bags filled with free gifts kindly donated by various legal publishers, along with some Current Awareness stress cubes to help them cope with the year ahead.



We received some good feedback from grateful students, whom we look forward to seeing in the Library over the next year and beyond.

Student Evenings

The Library was represented at the Inn's introductory evenings for London and out of London students which took place on 21 September and 2 October.

As in previous years a range of Library guides and leaflets was on display and the Deputy Librarian and Senior Library Assistant were on hand to answer students' questions.

New Guide

We have produced a new legal research guide aimed at students which is available in the Library or can be [downloaded](#) from our website.



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Starting Legal Research A Guide for Students



Presentations to New Students

During September and October the Deputy Librarian together with Carolyn Rampling, a colleague from Lincoln's Inn Library, gave presentations to BPTC students at the City Law School, the University of Law and BPP Law School. The presentations covered the services that the Inn Libraries offer to bar students and their aim is to encourage students to make use of library facilities and services at an early stage in their legal careers.

The sessions were very well attended; if you were not able to be there, however, the [presentation](#) is available on the Library's website.



Students at City Law School

Tours

We are happy to arrange tours on a one-to-one basis for students, pupils, clerks or for any member of the Inn. Please email librarytours@innertemple.org.uk to arrange a suitable time.

Alternatively a [virtual tour](#) is available for members unable to visit the Library in person.

Displays and Articles

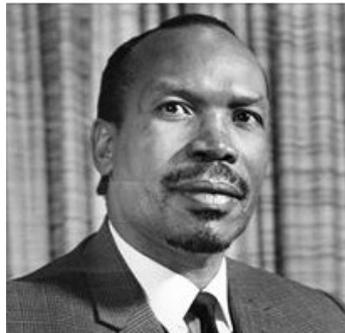
The Library often mounts displays to commemorate anniversaries and events or to highlight particular parts of our collection. To accompany these displays we produce leaflets and information sheets picking up the main points and offering suggestions for related research resources that can be found in the Library.

We have also begun to revisit noteworthy articles that have appeared in the Library's Newsletter over the years, and have reprinted some of them as leaflets. These include items relating to the Eichmann trial papers and to the Sarah Malcolm murders, and we will continue to add to the collection as new interesting articles are written and old ones rediscovered.

These leaflets can all be found online at our new [Displays and Articles](#) webpage.

Black History Month

During October we celebrated Black History Month by highlighting the profiles of 31 of the Inns' influential members on our [Facebook](#) page.



Inner Temple Members

Race Relations Act 1965

2015 is the 50th anniversary of the Race Relations Act 1965, which was the first legislation to outlaw racial discrimination in public places in the UK.

The Act outlawed discrimination “on the grounds of colour, race, or ethnic or national origins” in public places, but did not make racial discrimination as such a criminal offence. The Race Relations Board was set up to consider any complaint of discrimination. It could refer persistent discrimination to the Attorney General (or to the Lord Advocate in Scotland) who could then apply for a court injunction.

The Act was superseded by further Race Relations Acts in 1968, 1976 and an Amendment Act in 2000, before the Equality Act 2010 superseded and consolidated these and other discrimination legislation.

The Act received criticism at the time for being too weak, but is of historical importance as the legislation that instigated the drive towards greater equality in the UK.

The Library is commemorating the anniversary of the Act with a display, accompanied by a [leaflet](#) which can be found on our website.

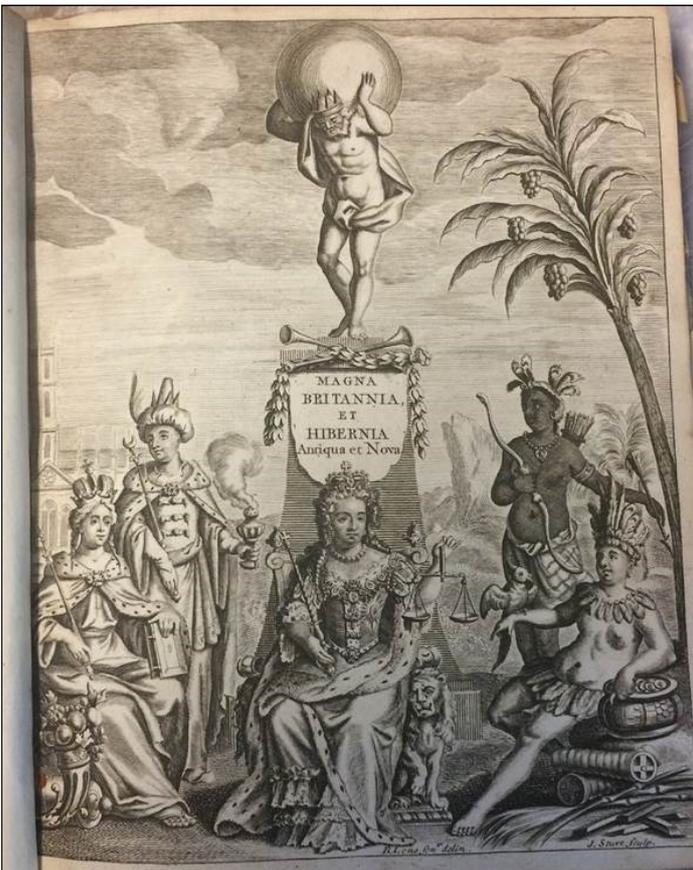


West Indian campaigners against the Commonwealth Immigrants Act 1962

Magna Britannia

The Library has recently acquired on permanent loan an absorbing social document dating from the second quarter of the eighteenth century, in the form of a very unusual copy of *Magna Britannia et Hibernia, antiqua et nova*, a history of and guide to the various counties, attributed to Thomas Cox.

This was originally issued in serial parts and published in book form between 1720 and 1731. The copy under discussion was once the property of the Right Honourable William Fortescue (1687-1749), called to the bar, Inner Temple, 1715, who served as Master of the Rolls from 1741 until his death.



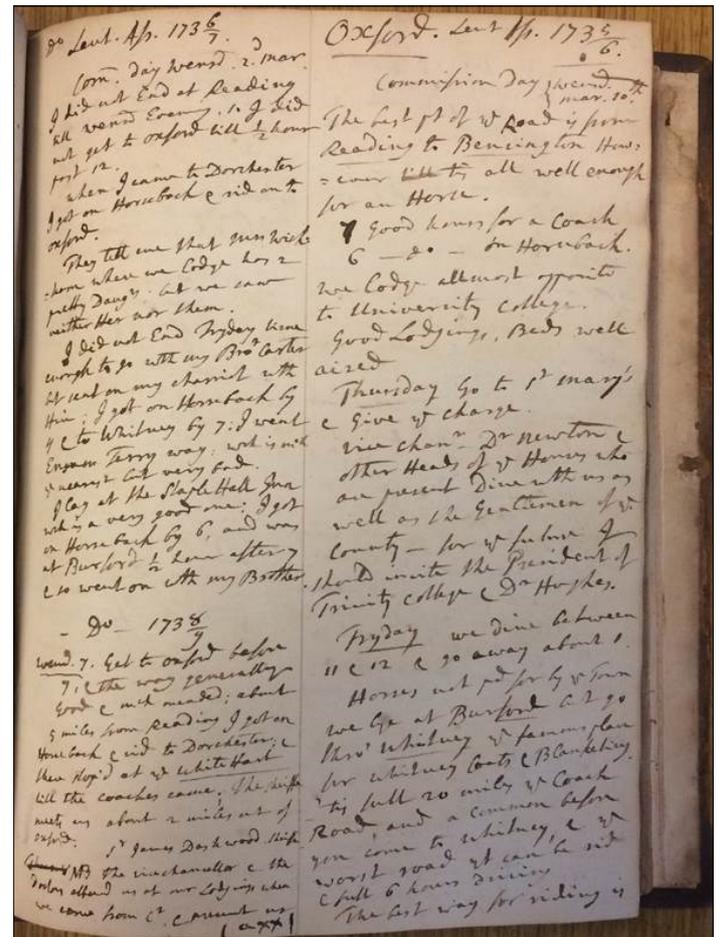
Engraved title-page of *Magna Britannia*

Inserted at the end of each county chapter are gatherings of blank paper on which are written Fortescue's manuscript circuit diaries for the years 1735 to 1740, when he was an assize judge.

The diaries record details of the places stayed in, distances travelled, state of the roads, people encountered including counsel appearing at each assize town, but no particulars of individual cases.

Another point of interest is that the work is bound in a different order from that of the original publication, no doubt so that the counties comprising the various circuits should appear together. The insertions moreover make a ten-volume compilation out of the original six-volume work. The printed volumes are accompanied by a two-volume manuscript transcription of the diaries, in the more readily legible hand of Matthew Fortescue-Brickdale, a descendant of the original owner.

We owe all this to the kindness and generosity of the volumes' current owner, Mrs Rachel Rolt, another of Fortescue's descendants.



A page from Fortescue's diary

AccessToLaw: Northern Ireland

Northern Ireland has been a separate jurisdiction within the United Kingdom since the partition of Ireland in 1921. It therefore has its own separate section within the United Kingdom area of our **AccessToLaw** gateway site, currently comprising almost 50 entries.

The **Northern Ireland Assembly** has been the devolved legislature of Northern Ireland since its creation under the 1998 Good Friday Agreement. Its website includes a directory of members, Hansard, Bills, tables showing progress of Statutory Rules, and minutes of departmental and Standing Committee meetings.

The site of its executive arm, the **Northern Ireland Executive**, has the text of the Ministerial Code, Executive statements, news releases, and links to websites of individual NI government departments.

Several other government sites contain legal information, including those of the **Planning Portal**, the **Legal Services Agency Northern Ireland**, and the **Northern Ireland Courts and Tribunals Service**. Extensive information and documents on the latter site include court and tribunal addresses, court lists, recent legislation relating to the courts (e.g. court rules), and selected full text judgments 1999 onwards.

The UK government's **Northern Ireland Office** continues to oversee Northern Ireland affairs including the devolution settlement. Information there on the devolution settlement includes links to legislation.

For Northern Ireland's legislation generally there are two major sources. **Legislation.gov.uk: Northern Ireland** is a section of the UK's official legislation database. It includes virtually all of Northern Ireland's primary legislation in the various forms it has taken since 1921 (Acts of the Northern Ireland Parliament 1921-1972, Northern Ireland Orders in Council 1972 onwards, Acts of the Northern Ireland Assembly 2000 onwards, etc.), as well as relevant Acts of the Old Irish Parliament 1495-1800 and some secondary legislation.

The legislation content of **BAILII: Northern Ireland** is not quite so comprehensive but contains most of the same material.

BAILII is also a major source for case law. Its Northern Ireland content includes decisions of the Court of Appeal 1998 onwards, the Crown Court 1999 onwards, and the High Court of Justice mostly from some point in the 1990s onwards (precise dates varying for the different divisions). There is also some tribunal content, e.g. of the Fair Employment Tribunal, Industrial Tribunals and Social Security and Child Support Commissioners.

Other, specialised sites for tribunal case law include those of Northern Ireland's **Care Tribunal**, its **Lands Tribunal**, and **Department for Social Development: DSD Law and Legislation**.

There are entries for various regulatory bodies, amongst them the **Law Society of Northern Ireland**, the health and social care regulator the **Regulation and Quality Improvement Authority**, and the **Utility Regulator**.

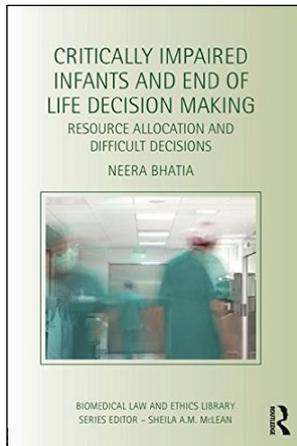
The **Bloody Sunday Inquiry** is one of many major inquiries set up by the UK government whose reports may now be found on the GOV.UK site, but the link we provide is to the inquiry's archived official site where, in addition to the report, extensive background material is also available.

Several other entries have their origin in the Northern Ireland Conflict and the ensuing peace process. The Cory Collusion Inquiry reports, into allegations of collusion between British and Irish security forces and paramilitaries in six high profile cases, were originally published on the Northern Ireland Office website but are now accessible in the Collusion section of the University of Ulster's CAIN website, to which our entry **Cory Collusion Inquiry Reports** now directs. There are entries too for the full public inquiries which were established in consequence of the Cory reports, such as the **Billy Wright Inquiry** and the **Rosemary Nelson Inquiry**.

Other entries link to sites providing information on such topics as building regulations, equality, human rights, the criminal justice system and law reform, and to the sites of the **Northern Ireland Ombudsman** and other complaint-handling bodies.

New Acquisitions

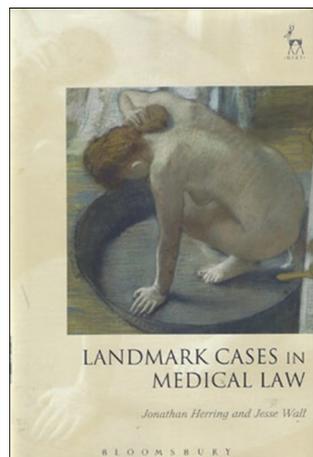
Several of the new works recently acquired relate to medico-legal matters, which is appropriate in view of our responsibility for that subject area among the Inn Libraries.



Neera Bhatia's *Critically impaired infants and end of life decision making* (Routledge) focuses on the legal and ethical complexities surrounding end of life decisions for critically impaired and extremely premature infants. The author explores decisions to withdraw or withhold life-sustaining

treatment from critically impaired infants and addresses the controversial question: which lives are too expensive to treat? Bringing into play such key issues as clinical guidance, public awareness, and resource allocation, the book provides a rational approach to end of life decision making, where decisions to withdraw or withhold treatment may trump other competing interests.

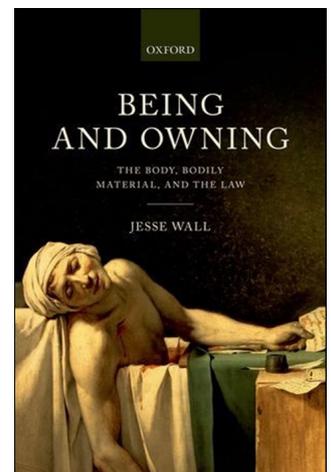
Landmark cases in medical law, edited by Jonathan Herring and Jesse Wall (Hart), a new addition to the publishers' Landmark Cases series, brings together leading figures in the field to discuss a selection of the most significant cases in medical law. These are cases which either illustrate an important development in the law, or indicate likely future developments. The cases are explored in their social and historical context in order to provide a better understanding of what factors have influenced judicial thinking.



Revisiting the regulation of human fertilisation and embryology, edited by Kirsty Horsey, looks at various aspects of the law and ethics of human fertilisation

and embryology; topics covered include: problems with DIY assisted conception, attribution of legal parenthood in cases of surrogacy, and mitochondrial DNA transfer. There are chapters which compare the UK's regulatory regime with those of Canada and Australia. The authors evaluate the fresh risks and challenges emerging from established existing technologies and techniques in the field of human fertilisation and embryology, as well as offering insights into the social and regulatory challenges that lie ahead.

Jesse Wall, in his *Being and owning* (Oxford) assesses when a person ought to be able to possess, control, use, or profit from, his/her own bodily material or the bodily material of another person. Bodily material may be valuable because it retains a functional unity with the body or because it is a material resource that is in short supply. With this in mind, Wall measures the extent to which property law can represent the rights and duties that protect the entitlement that a person may exercise in bodily material, and identifies the limits to the appropriate application of property law. An alternative approach to property law is developed with reference to the right of bodily integrity and the right to privacy.



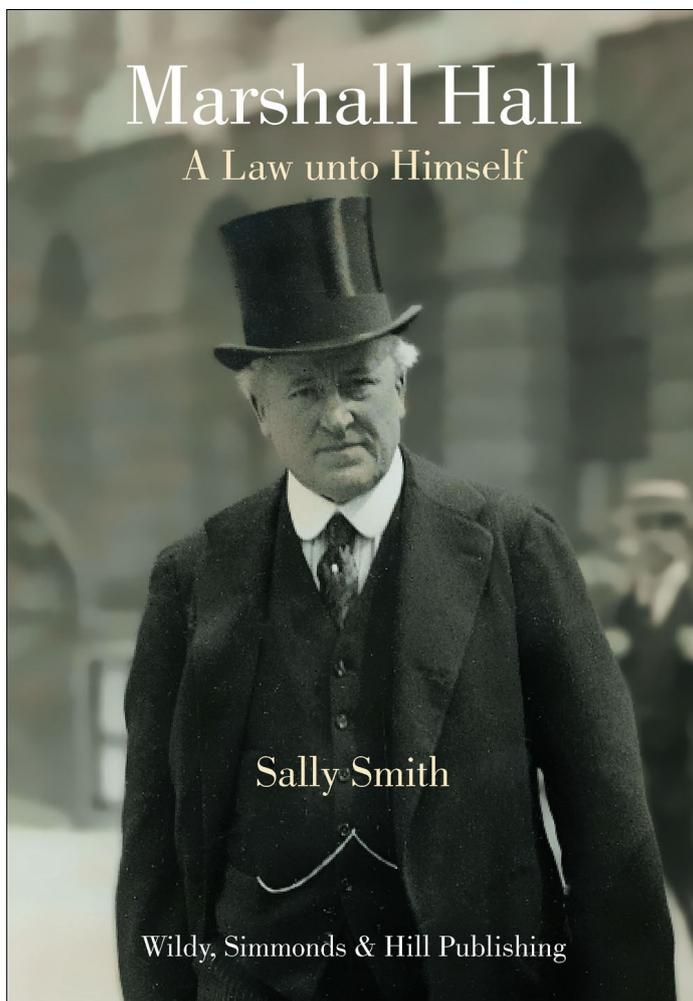
We would like to express our gratitude to the following member of the Inn and others who have kindly presented works to the Library: Master Sedley for his collection of essays on legal history, *Lions under the throne*; Islam Khan (editor) for *The last Raja of West Pakistan* by Priyajit Debsarkar; Justice S.D. Dave for *The Privy Council, the British courts and the personal laws of India*; John Causer for *Justice so requiring: the emergence and development of a legal system in Gibraltar* by John Restano and for *The Official guide to the Old Bailey*; Abdul-Haq al-Ani for *Genocide in Iraq*, volume II; and Joshua Levine for *The secret history of the Blitz*.

Marshall Hall: New Biography

Scheduled for publication by [Wildy, Simmonds & Hill](#) in April 2016 and written by Master Sally Smith, a member of the Library Committee, *Marshall Hall: a law unto himself*, is the first modern biography of a complex and influential man, who saved more people from the hangman's noose than any other known barrister. The author makes extensive use of the Library's large collection of press cuttings relating to Marshall Hall.

This meticulously researched biography:

- ◆ sets the legendary barrister in his social, historical and political context
- ◆ reveals the sensational private life of the man behind the public figure
- ◆ tells the full story of the death of his first wife
- ◆ examines his magnetic oratory and extraordinary fame from a modern perspective



Visitors

Recent visitors to the Library have included law librarians from Australia and the UK, as well as new members of staff from Gray's Inn, Lincoln's Inn and Middle Temple Libraries and two of the Inn's new Academic Fellows, Dr Adaeze Okoye and Dr Tarun Khaitan.

Harvey McGregor QC



We were saddened to hear of the death, on 27 June, of Master McGregor at the age of 89. He was a regular, if infrequent, user of the library, for he would usually appear during the long vacation to check obscure references in connection with a new edition of, or supplement to, his indispensable work, *McGregor on Damages*. The new edition, or supplement, would in due course appear on the library shelves as a result of his generosity.

Master McGregor endeared himself to us all with his unflinching good humour, courtesy and slightly tongue-in-cheek manner. Aside from his many legal and academic attainments he was an accomplished pianist; it is a matter for regret that we never experienced his celebrated party piece, Poulenc's *Histoire de Babar, le petit éléphant*, nor his renowned Noël Coward impersonation.