



NEWSLETTER

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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.

November

19 November	Inner Temple
26 November	Lincoln's Inn

December

3 December	Middle Temple
10 December	Gray's Inn
17 December	Inner Temple
24 December	CLOSED

To view a Saturday Opening Timetable up to January 2017 click [here](#).

Legal Research Qualifying Sessions

A new initiative for students has been the introduction of a legal research session as one of the Inn's series of qualifying sessions. Over 110 students attended the session, which was run twice on a Saturday in September and once on a weekday evening in October. Feedback on the content and on the trainers was very positive and we hope to continue offering these sessions in future.

We know that students often have misgivings about their legal research skills and it is encouraging to know that our sessions evidently help to boost their confidence as well as changing their perceptions about the Library and librarians. As one participant put it, "I have had several introductions to legal research over the years and actually learnt something new at this one". Another participant commented, "The librarians were extremely friendly and encouraging. I thought that was wonderful - they really made us feel like the library was as much our resource as anyone else's. Old libraries can sometimes seem exclusive rather than inclusive, but the talk dispelled that myth".



The Deputy Librarian talking at one of the sessions

Freshers' Fair Events

This year, for the first time, we took part in fresher events at BPP Law School, the City Law School and the University of Law. This was a collaborative activity with colleagues from Lincoln's Inn and Middle Temple Libraries. We were able to display and hand out library guides and to answer students' questions about using the libraries. We enjoyed the informality of the fresher events and were pleased to note that the Inner Temple Library's branded mugs were very popular. We look forward to participating in similar events in years to come.



The Deputy Librarian awaiting students at the University of Law Freshers' Fair



Colleagues from Lincoln's Inn and Middle Temple Libraries at City Law School Freshers' Fair

Students' Open Day

We held a Students' Open Day on Wednesday 28 September, when we welcomed new BPTC students to the Library. Library staff were on hand to chat to the students and to demonstrate online services and explain how to make the most of the Library. Tours were offered and several students took part in an orientation quiz designed to help to familiarise them with the layout of the Library. The answer sheets were entered into a prize draw to win a three-course lunch for two in Hall, drinks included. The winner was Amelia Clegg, who is studying at City Law School. All those who attended received an Inner Temple Library tote bag containing free gifts kindly donated by our suppliers.



Library staff talking with students during the Open Day

Student Evenings

This year the Deputy Librarian was invited to join the panel in Hall at the Inn's introductory evenings for London and out of London students, and to give a short talk about the Library. This was an excellent opportunity to encourage students to use their Inn's Library in addition to the library facilities provided by the BPTC institutions.



The Deputy Librarian speaking at one of the Inn's Introductory Evening for BPTC students

Presentations to New Students

A presentation about the resources and services available at the Inn Libraries was given to BPTC students at the City Law School, BPP Law School and the University of Law. This year colleagues from all four Inn Libraries collaborated with our Deputy Librarian in giving the presentation. Attendance was very high at the City Law School and the University of Law, and comments from students who attended show that this is a very effective way of making Bar students aware of the services available to them.

The [presentation](#) is also available on the Library's website.



Presentation at the City Law School



The Deputy Librarian giving a presentation at the University of Law

Activities for Pupils

Library staff offer new pupils various ways to get to know the Library and its resources. We give tours for new pupils which can be arranged by the pupils themselves or via chambers librarians. We organise lunchtime induction sessions where Library staff explain what the Library can offer to pupils and how we can help when they cannot visit the Library in person. Pupils from Temple Garden Chambers, Maitland Chambers, Serjeants' Inn Chambers and the Financial Conduct Authority were among those who participated in two recent lunchtime sessions.

We also run a legal research course for new pupils in the spring and autumn, and details are always publicised on the Library website. The autumn 2016 course began with an overview of some important aspects of research and continued with workshops on case law and legislation. This course will be repeated in Spring 2017, but without the workshop element, as our experience has shown that pupils find it hard to commit to three sessions. Any pupil who would like some practical legal research training should contact tdennis@innertemple.org.uk.

Pupils Practice Management Course

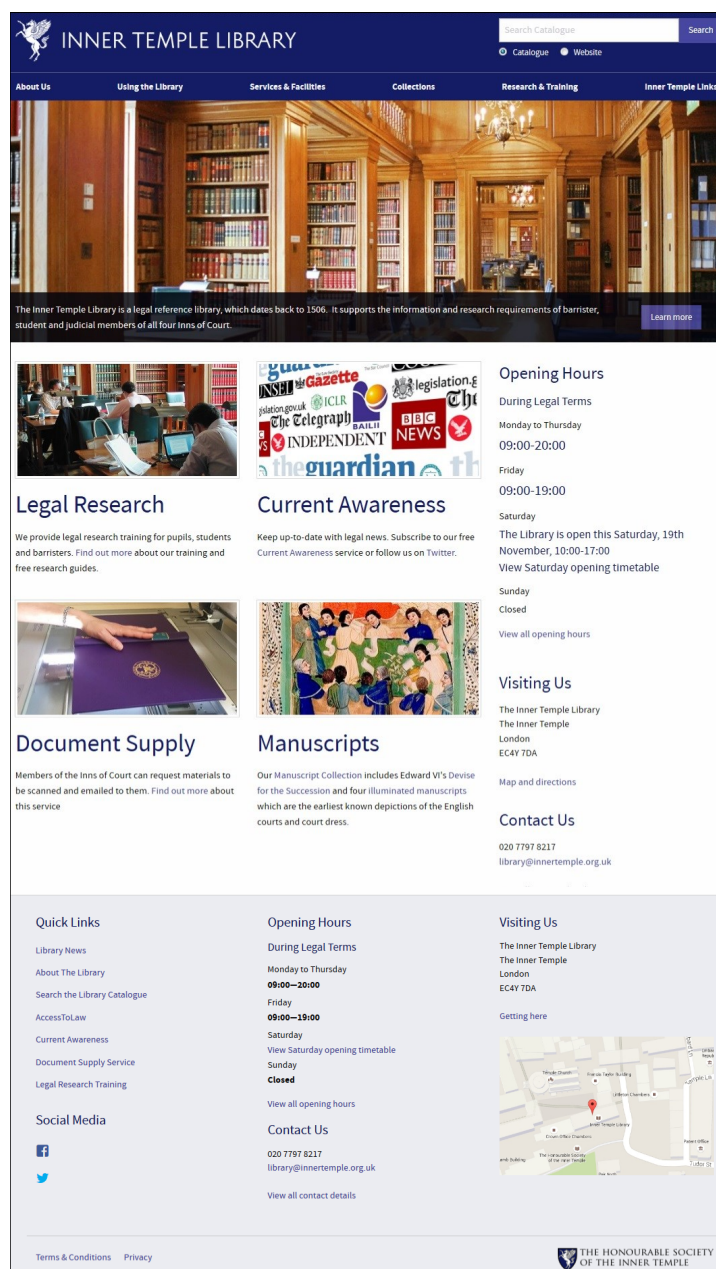
This course, which is run by the Inn's [Education & Training Department](#), advises pupils on how to run their practice as a business in the modern world and provides information on the various obligations of a new practitioner. Sessions include guidance on financial management, group discussions of ethical problems, a talk on marketing, as well as a session on the organisational aspects of the business of being a barrister. The day includes a session in which pupils are addressed by barristers' clerks and solicitors about the way to benefit your practice as well as your pocket and the session on "First Days in Court" allows pupils to hear advice from judges and new practitioners on what to do (or not to do) during those tentative first days in court.

The next Pupils Practice Management Course will be held on Saturday 14 January 2017. For further details, please contact [David Miller](#).

Redesigned Library Website

The [Library's website](#), which has been completely redesigned, is now live. The new site will better showcase library services and facilities, while the new menu structure makes it easier to navigate. The Library Catalogue can also be searched from any part of the site.

The site uses WordPress technology to ensure that it will work on any device - from PC to tablet to smartphone. Elements of the Library website will be rebranded next year as part of the project currently being carried out for the Inn by the design agency SomeOne.



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Legal Research

We provide legal research training for pupils, students and barristers. Find out more about our training and free research guides.

Current Awareness

Keep up-to-date with legal news. Subscribe to our free Current Awareness service or follow us on Twitter.

Document Supply

Members of the Inns of Court can request materials to be scanned and emailed to them. Find out more about this service.

Manuscripts

Our Manuscript Collection includes Edward VI's Devise for the Succession and four illuminated manuscripts which are the earliest known depictions of the English courts and court dress.

Opening Hours

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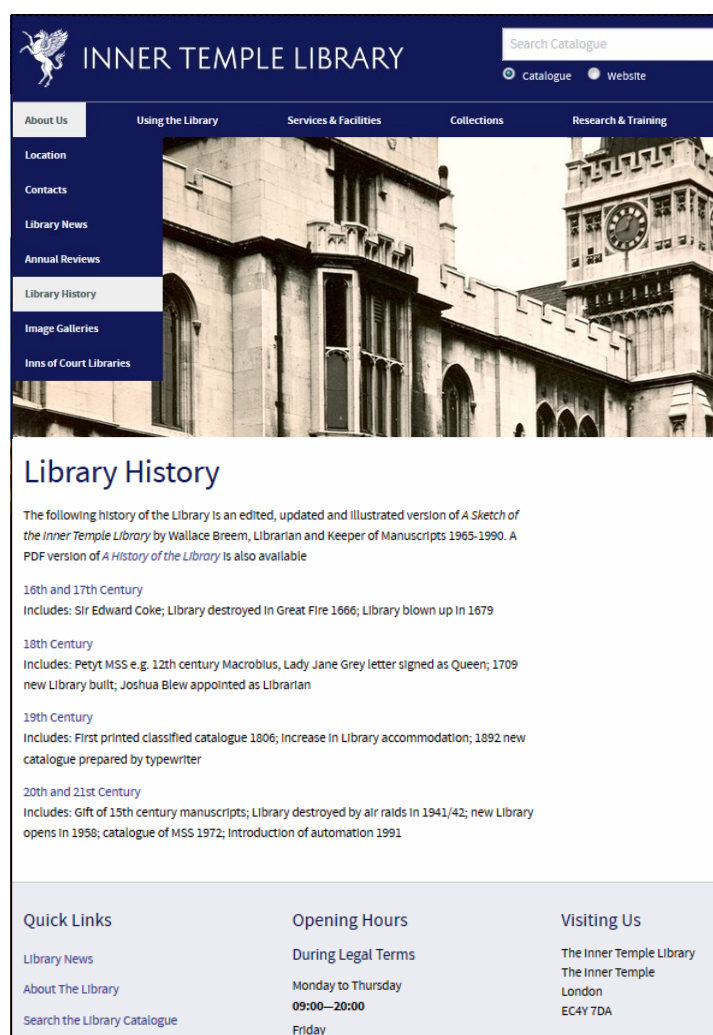
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Library History

The following history of the Library is an edited, updated and illustrated version of *A Sketch of the Inner Temple Library* by Wallace Broom, Librarian and Keeper of Manuscripts 1965-1990. A PDF version of *A History of the Library* is also available

16th and 17th Century
Includes: Sir Edward Coke; Library destroyed in Great Fire 1666; Library blown up in 1679

18th Century
Includes: Petyt MSS e.g. 12th century Macrobius, Lady Jane Grey letter signed as Queen; 1709 new Library built; Joshua Blew appointed as Librarian

19th Century
Includes: First printed classified catalogue 1806; Increase in Library accommodation; 1892 new catalogue prepared by typewriter

20th and 21st Century
Includes: Gift of 19th century manuscripts; Library destroyed by air raids in 1941/42; new Library opens in 1956; catalogue of MSS 1972; Introduction of automation 1991

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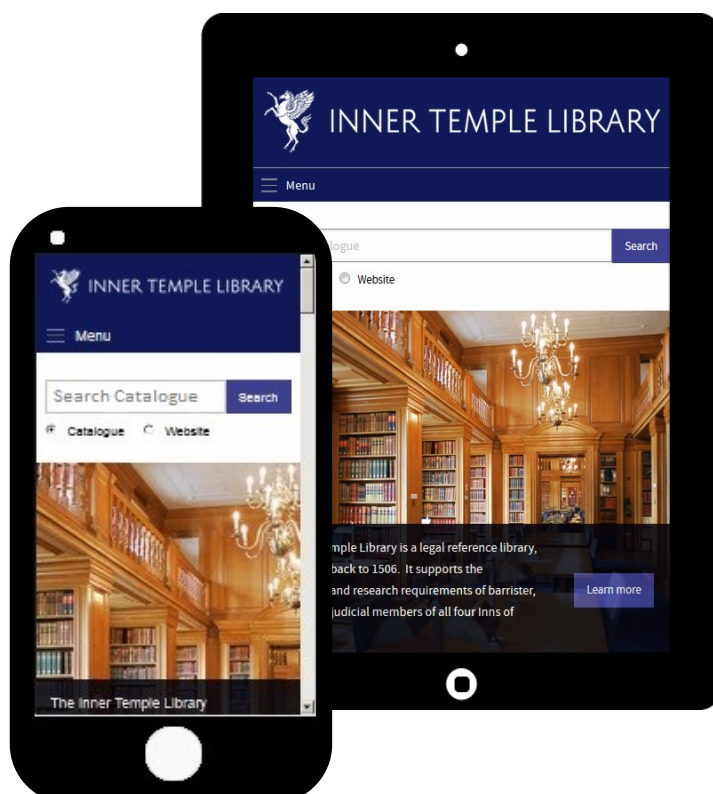
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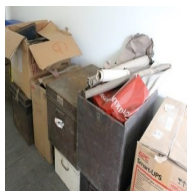
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THE LEGAL RECORDS AT RISK PROJECT

Is the History of How the Bar Works being Lost?

Clare Cowling, Director of the Legal Records at Risk Project, writes

What is the issue?

Recent developments (changes to legal services; globalisation; digital obsolescence) have affected our legal framework, yet no concerted effort has as yet been made to protect and preserve the records which document these changes. The Legal Records at Risk project, led by the Institute of Advanced Legal Studies and working in collaboration with the legal profession, the research community and archives, including The National Archives and the British Records Association, seeks to develop a national strategy to identify and preserve our legal heritage and to save modern (20th and 21st century) private sector legal records in the UK that may be at risk.

Our initial findings indicate that the records of barristers and barristers' chambers are particularly at risk. The National Archives' [Discovery](#) portal lists only five sets of 20th-century barristers' papers in local archives (as opposed to 986 entries for the business records of law firms). If this trend continues we will inevitably have a skewed and inaccurate historical picture of legal developments and services in the UK. A recent article [The Humanity of Barristers: Stories from the Bar](#) points out that "There is a general lack of knowledge about the Bar, with misconceived notions of what barristers do, how they work and their professional interaction with solicitors and the public. ... Although much of barristers' work takes place in public courtrooms, much also remains hidden from view, with many working in the cloistered surroundings of the Inns of Court or in chambers across the provinces."

What does the Legal Records at Risk Project offer?

We will:

- Advise on, and help identify, records of barristers and barristers' chambers which may be of long-term value both for business reference and external research.
- Facilitate the process by which selected records are deposited in archive repositories and ensure that concerns relating to confidentiality and access are fully addressed. This does *not* mean inundating the Inns of Court Libraries and Archives with records if they do not have the capacity; we have arrangements with other local repositories.
- Provide generic record-keeping advice to information owners as required (such as on digital continuity of records required long-term; email management; shared drive management).

What is the benefit to barristers and barristers' chambers?

Greater transparency and public engagement through the eventual release of records for research will enhance the profession's public-facing image and help address the issues raised above. There are also other benefits in terms of cost savings (reduced storage space; efficient records management).

Please contact us

To find out more about this project, visit our [website](#) or contact me, Clare Cowling at clare.cowling@sas.ac.uk.

Black British History & the Law Timeline

To coincide with Black History Month, we compiled a [timeline](#) charting black British history and the law. Starting in 1562, the timeline includes prominent figures, landmark legislation, case law and legal developments up to the present day.



Black People's Day of Action (1981)

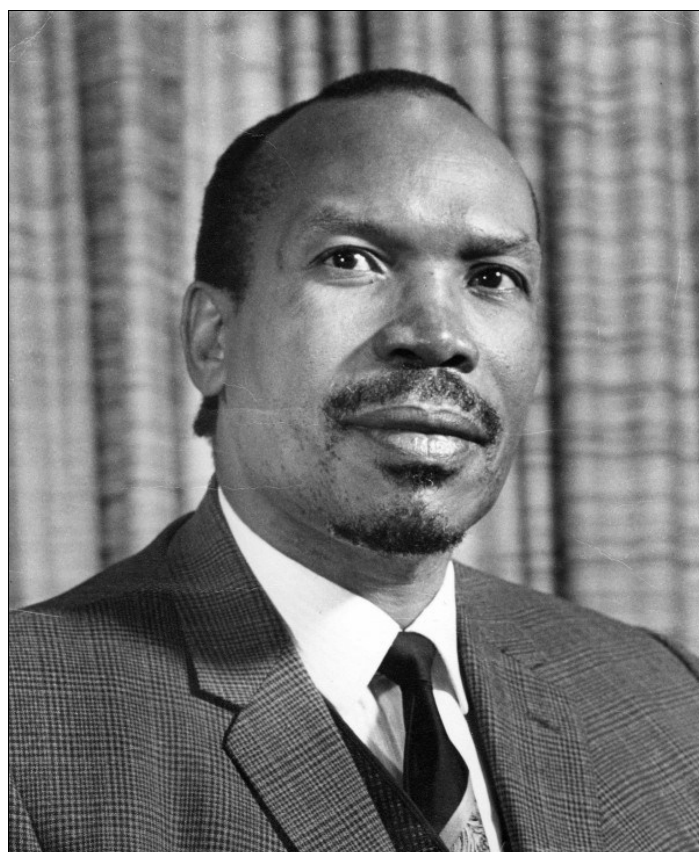


Claudia Jones (1915-1964)



Funeral of Blair Peach (1979)

Seretse Khama Profile



On 30 September 2016, Botswana celebrated the 50th anniversary of its independence. One of the driving forces behind the country's push for independence was Seretse Khama, a member of the Inner Temple and king of the Bamangwato people in what was at the time the British Protectorate of Bechuanaland.

After a turbulent early life which included being forced into political exile by the British government (as a consequence of his marrying a white British woman, much to the displeasure of neighbouring South Africa), he founded the nationalist Bechuanaland Democratic Party, which won the country's 1965 elections, and became the first president of the independent Republic of Botswana the following year.

To mark the anniversary, we wrote a [profile](#) of Seretse Khama and shared it on the Library's Facebook and Twitter pages.

Goodbye

Mark Leonard, Library Assistant, writes



In September I left the Inner Temple Library to take up a position as Assistant Librarian at Lincoln's Inn Library. This is a very exciting opportunity for me and one that I am enjoying, but I took the step with some sadness, as I spent six wonderful years at the Inner Temple and learned so much in that time both professionally and personally.

I received excellent training in legal research, which proved invaluable when facing the broad range of queries put to me and my colleagues in the Library. Any single day could bring with it a series of questions about superseded legislation, human rights, Parliamentary debates, or precedents, to mention only the more routine sorts of enquiry, and I always felt able to respond in a positive way thanks to my training and also thanks to the very extensive resources available in the Library.

The Inn was also most generous in funding the MSc in Information and Library Studies for which I have been studying by distance learning, and which has enabled me to progress professionally, and for this I am extremely grateful.

My colleagues throughout were an inspiration and a support, excellent librarians but also good people who made my time at the Library such a pleasure. They provide a great service to the Library's wide and varied user group, and I will take what I have learned from them into my new job at Lincoln's Inn. I wish the Library, its staff and its users all the very best for the future.

Hello

Lucia Asnaghi, Library Assistant, writes

I joined the Inner Temple Library as a full-time Library Assistant in September. I am in fact already familiar with the Library's layout and contents, having worked here as an Evening Assistant over the last few years. The daytime role is engaging and I am particularly enjoying the opportunity to learn about legal research and expand my knowledge of the collections.

I'm a qualified librarian with experience of special library and information services in various sectors. Recently, I enjoyed working in the Library at the International Institute for Strategic Studies and at Lloyd's Register. I also spent many happy hours as a volunteer Archive Assistant with the National Trust at Ham House.

Aside from being beautiful, with its high windows and oak panelling, the Inner Temple Library is known for its modern approach to service delivery and I look forward to contributing to this. It's a pleasure to work with kind and knowledgeable colleagues in such a fine Library.

Visitors

Recent visitors to the Library have included a group of Australian lawyers led by Peter Butt, Emeritus Professor at Sydney University, Dunstan Speight, the new Librarian at Lincoln's Inn, Emma Mires-Richards, a Senior Information Adviser at London South Bank University and Sean Barr, Law Librarian at Swansea University.

OVERNIGHT LOANS

- Available to barristers (including pupils) who are members or tenants of the Inner Temple, and barristers (including pupils) from chambers adjacent to the Inn
- See website or ask staff for full details

Great Fire of London Display

Verity Parkinson, Library Assistant, writes

To commemorate the 350th anniversary of the Great Fire of London, we produced a display which was on view in the Library throughout August and early September. The Great Fire destroyed much of the Inner Temple and threatened the Temple Church and the Inner Temple Hall; the roof of the Hall caught fire in an additional outbreak after the worst of the fire was over, but was beaten out before much damage could be done. The Inn's Royal Bench, the Duke of York (later King James II), oversaw the firefighting efforts.

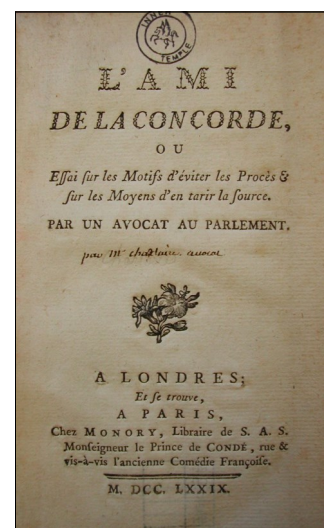
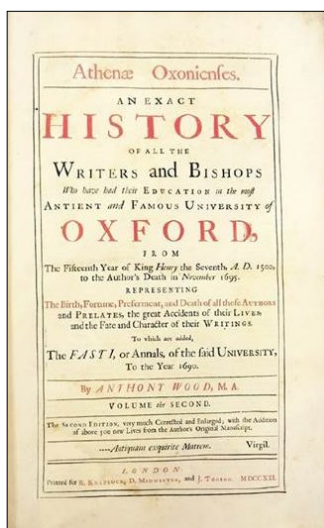


James II as Duke of York

Inner Temple's destruction marked the western extent of the fire's damage: the Middle Temple escaped with the loss of only one building. The Fire Court, established by Act of Parliament to resolve disputes relating to property damaged by the fire, included eight Inner Temple members among its twenty-two judges; portraits of four of them now hang in the Hall Gallery. An [information sheet](#) which accompanied this display is available on the Library website.

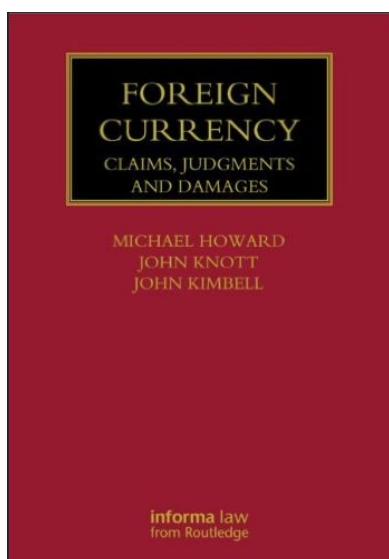
Ex Libris Le Quesne

In August we received some forty volumes from the library of the late Master Le Quesne (Sir Godfray Le Quesne QC) who was Treasurer in 1989 and died in 2013. We are most grateful to Lady Le Quesne for this kind gesture towards her late husband's Inn. A good many of the books reflect an interest in biography, mostly legal. They include a copy of Burnet's *Life and death of Sir Matthew Hale*, printed for William Shrowsbery in 1682 (not the first edition, despite the assertion on the enclosed snippet from an auctioneer's catalogue, but not an edition we already had); a handsome small octavo set of Campbell's *Lives of the Lord Chancellors* in ten volumes; and a copy of the sought-after "second" (in fact, third) edition of Wood's *Athenae Oxonienses*, 1721.

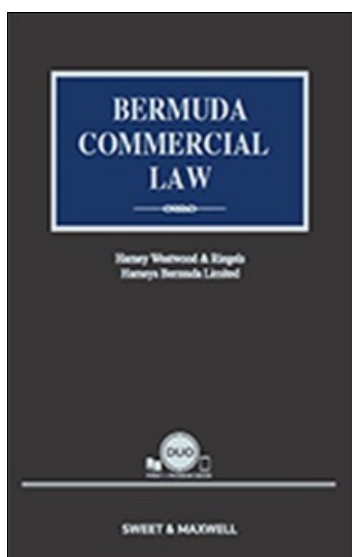


New Acquisitions

The determination of the proper currency or currencies of a claim often has a dramatic effect on the level of a judgment, award or recovery, and in some cases it can result in a party suffering a financial loss. It is, therefore, vital for practitioners to assess these claims accurately. Michael Howard QC, John



Knott and John Kimbell QC, authors of *Foreign currency: claims, judgments and damages* (Informa: presented by Mr Kimbell) guide the reader through the governing principles and procedures for making or defending against foreign currency claims, and explain the factors relating to the recovery or payment of interest. They also discuss ways in which a party can advance arguments or adduce evidence to prove or disprove the relevance of a particular currency.

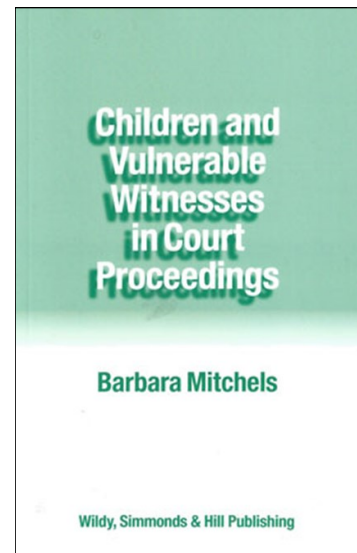


Bermuda commercial law (Sweet & Maxwell Hong Kong), by a team of specialists at the firm of Harney Westwood and Riegels, seeks to bring together the disparate sources of Bermuda law relating to the commercial sector in one place. After providing an introduction to Bermuda law and its development, the contributors address in depth a wide range of

topics including company law, credit and security financial services law, investment funds, insolvency, dispute resolution, trusts, insurance regulation, banking law, and tax/tax information exchange agreements. This work will be a valuable addition to

our Commonwealth texts collection; it was kindly presented by the Librarian of the Supreme Court Library.

Barbara Mitchels, in her new work *Children and vulnerable witnesses in court proceedings* (Wildy Simmonds & Hill; generously presented by the publishers) examines a subject of much contemporary relevance. She



addresses the nature and impact of psychological stress, anxiety, panic attacks and general stress, and

explores ways to alleviate psychological stress in the court process, describing the law, guidance and special measures available to support children and vulnerable witnesses. The author proceeds to set out the present guidance regarding pre-trial psychological support for adult and child witnesses respectively, and explores the current provisions for victim support. Finally the book suggests ways of promoting the continuing physical and psychological safety of clients, victims and witnesses *after* the court proceedings are over, where this is judged necessary. Case law and legislation, references and suggestions for further reading and useful resources are also included.

Thanks are due to the following (in addition to those already mentioned) who have presented new works or new editions to the Library recently: Her Honour Nasreen Pearce (author) for *Practitioner's guide to probate disputes*; Master Aldous (co-author) for *Work accidents at sea*, 2nd edition; Master John Spencer (author) for *Evidence of bad character*, 3rd edition; and Master Beatson (co-author) for *Anson's law of contract*, 30th edition.

The most recent list of [new law titles and editions](#) is now available on our website.

AccessToLaw: Taxation

The 2016 Autumn Statement to Parliament by the Chancellor of the Exchequer will be delivered in just over a week from now, on 23 November. As that major date in the UK's fiscal year approaches, we take a look at the section of [AccessToLaw](#) devoted to the topic of [Taxation](#).

The obvious entry to begin with is that of the government department which is responsible for the UK's financial and economic policy, **HM Treasury**. This, a section of the comprehensive GOV.UK portal site, is the primary official source for current information on all of the Treasury's activities, policies, publications and announcements. Earlier budget and other documents relating to economic forecasts and statements, as far back as the 1992-1997 government, are also accessible via a publications search.

The collection of taxes is the main responsibility of **HM Revenue & Customs**, which was created in 2005 from the merger of the former Inland Revenue with HM Customs & Excise. The section "Tax agents and advisers" in particular contains much specialist material relevant to the work of tax and other professionals, including official guidance, manuals and statements of practice.

The handling of complaints about HM Revenue & Customs is the responsibility of the **Adjudicator's Office**. Its website includes case studies, annual reports, and information and guidance on the complaint procedure.

The next two entries are for sources of information on tax cases, both of them, like those for HM Treasury and HMRC, providing direct links to sections of the GOV.UK website. **Tax Tribunal** is the entry for the First-tier Tribunal (Tax), which hears appeals against decisions relating to tax made by HMRC, Border Force (in connection with seized goods) and the National Crime Agency (in connection with suspected money laundering). The **Upper Tribunal (Tax and Chancery Chamber)** hears appeals from the First-tier Tribunal in tax, land registration and charity cases, and also from

decisions of organisations involved in the regulation of financial services. Both these sites provide information on appeal procedures and links to forms, guidance, legislation and databases of decisions.

The leading professional body for taxation advisers in the UK is the **Chartered Institute of Taxation**. Much of its website content is restricted to members and subscribers, but freely accessible sections include for example "Professional Standards".

The **International Tax Planning Association** is an association of bankers, accountants, lawyers and others interested in the tax aspects of cross-frontier transactions. Some basic information, such as lists of legislation by jurisdiction, is freely accessible, but full text (of legislation, cases, etc.) and most other site content is available only to members.

Lowtax is the website of the Lowtax Network, which provides news and information about the tax and legal regimes in over 50 offshore and onshore "low tax" countries, including their tax status, tax system, special offshore regimes and company forms.

The first of two websites of barristers' chambers which specialise in tax law is that of **Gray's Inn Tax Chambers**. It includes articles written by members of chambers, and digests of court and tribunal cases in which members have been involved, most of them with links to full transcripts. The other is that of **Pump Court Tax Chambers**. Its Resources section includes full text cases from June 2005 onwards and a small group of articles from January 2010 onwards.

Finally there is - at least for the foreseeable future - the European dimension. **European Commission: Taxation and Customs Union** is the website of the European Commission's Directorate-General for Taxation and Customs Union. Extensive information there includes links to European Union customs and taxation legislation on the Eur-Lex database, and to tax and customs cases from the European Court of Justice.