Responsibility for the various Commonwealth jurisdictions is divided between Inner Temple and Lincoln’s Inn Libraries.

Lincoln’s Inn has primary responsibility for Australia, however Inner Temple Library holds Australian legal materials, including case law (both Federal and State) and a collection of practitioners’ texts.

This guide includes information on print materials, as well as online resources.
General Works

**Australian Digest**
The Australian digest enables users to research case law and locate all significant decisions for specific legal topics from the beginning of case law reporting in Australia (1825) to the present. Case digests include the case name, citation, historical notes referring to related proceedings, and references to articles analysing the case.

**Halsbury’s Laws of Australia**
Halsbury's Laws of Australia is a legal encyclopaedia which provides a comprehensive overview of Australian law.

Halsbury’s Laws of Australia is also available to use via LexisLibrary.
Legislation

We do not hold hardcopy legislation for Australia.

Lincoln’s Inn Library’s holdings can be searched via their online catalogue:
http://www.lincolnsinnlibrary.org.uk/

Federal & Provincial:

Australian legislation is available online via the free resource - AustLII (http://www.austlii.edu.au/) and via our LexisLibrary subscription.
Law Reports

We hold the following series in hard copy:

**General**
Australian Law Journal Reports
Australian Law Reports
Commonwealth Law Reports

**State:**
New South Wales Law Reports
Queensland Reports
South Australian Reports
Tasmanian Reports
Victorian Reports
Western Australian Reports

Law Reports available via the our LexisLibrary subscription (available for use onsite):

Australian Capital Territory Reports
Australian Consumer Credit Reports
Australian Corporation & Securities Reports (& ACLR)
Australian Law Reports
Butterworths Property Reports
Family Law Reports
Intellectual Property Reports
Motor Vehicle Reports
Northern Territory Reports
Queensland Crown Lands Law Reports
Queensland Land Court Reports
Queensland Planning & Environment Law Reports
Textbooks

We have a collection of practitioners’ texts covering Australian law, a selection of which is listed below. For our full holdings you can check our online catalogue at www.innertemplelibrary.org/external.html

COWEN (Z.) & L.R. ZINES
Federal Jurisdiction in Australia. 3rd ed.
2002

CROSS (R.)
Cross on Evidence. 10th ed.
2015

FLETCHER (K.L.)
The Law of Partnership in Australia. 9th ed.
2007

MEAGHER, R. P.
Meagher, Gummow and Lehane's equity: doctrines and remedies. 5th ed.
2015

O’DONOVAN (J) & J. PHILIPS
The Modern Contract of Guarantee. 4th ed. LOOSELEAF
Online Resources

We have access to Australian legal materials via our LexisLibrary subscription. Included within this are case law, legislation and journal articles. LexisLibrary can only be accessed within the Library.

The following resources are freely available:

**AustLII**

AustLII, the web site of the Australasian Legal Information Institute, provides full-text databases of most Australian decisions and legislation, both of the Commonwealth of Australia (i.e. federal) and of states and territories, and incorporates links to New Zealand material on the NZLII site. Also included are treaties to which Australia is a party, and access to the full text of nearly a hundred Australian legal journals.

http://www.austlii.edu.au/

**Australia.gov.au**

This site is the entry point for information and online services provided by the government of the Commonwealth of Australia. The homepage presents an alphabetical list of subjects which includes “Public Safety and Law”. Under each subject heading are official publications, statements of government policy and links to other relevant sites. At the foot of every page there are links to the web sites of state and territory governments and of local councils.

Online Resources

Australian Treaties Database
This Australian Government site allows access to Australian treaties by subject, type and/or country, or date. Links are provided to multilateral treaty status sites, and there is information on treaties generally and treaty making.

Federal Court of Australia
The Federal Court is a superior court of record exercising a broad jurisdiction, both original and appellate, in Australian federal law matters. The resources available for practitioners on its web site include practice notes, administrative notices, forms, hearings lists, legislation and detailed information about the Court’s registries in each Australian state. Judgments, February 1977 onwards, are provided via links to the AustLII web site. Recent judgments are accessible via the court’s own web site.

Federal Register of Legislation
Online Resources

Parliament of Australia

The Australian Parliament site contains Bills 1996 onwards and Bills digests 1976 onwards, Hansard (for both the Senate and the House of Representatives) 1981 onwards, and Committee Hansards (Senate, House and Joint) mid-1990s onwards. Coverage dates of the latter vary according to the Committee. The Parliamentary Library section includes an index of Parliamentary Papers, 1992 onwards (under “Key Internet Links”); within “Research Publications” there are Bills digests, 1976 onwards and Background Notes (formerly E-Briefs: background documents on current issues, including links) 1999 onwards.


For more free online legal resources visit Inner Temple Library’s gateway site

AccessToLaw

https://www.accesstolaw.com/commonwealth/australia/
Other Libraries with Australian Legal Materials

Lincoln’s Inn Library
Lincoln’s Inn is the Inn of Court Library primarily responsible for collecting Australian materials.
http://www.lincolnsinn.org.uk/index.php/library

Institute of Advanced Legal Studies
The Institute of Advanced Legal Studies (IALS) Library has an extensive collection of Australian legal materials.
http://libguides.ials.sas.ac.uk/australia

FLAG Foreign Law Guide
The FLAG database provides a gateway to foreign, international and comparative law collections held within UK university and national libraries, and within major practitioners’ law libraries. The database is searchable in several ways and includes descriptions of each collection and links to the web catalogues of contributing libraries. The development of the FLAG project was financed by the Research Support Libraries Programme and managed by Dr Peter Clinch. It is based at the Institute of Advanced Legal Studies Library, University of London.
http://ials.sas.ac.uk/library/flag/flag.htm