



# NEWSLETTER

*Newsletter of The Inner Temple Library*

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## Project Pegasus Update

In December 2018 the Governing Benchers of the Inn voted for Project Pegasus to go ahead.

The project allows for the creation of a third and fourth floor in the Treasury Building to house an education centre, with training rooms, an auditorium and offices. The scheme preserves seven of the existing rooms (Rooms A-G) on the main floor of the Library but not the Library Gallery (which will become part of the new third floor) or Rooms H (Textbooks) and J (Legislation). A book storage room in the basement will be provided to house a proportion of the material displaced from the Gallery. Some of the remaining books will be rehoused in the basement of the Littleton Building (3 King's Bench Walk North).

At a meeting on 18 December the City of London's Planning and Transportation Committee reviewed and rejected the Inn's planning application for temporary structures to accommodate a temporary Hall, Treasury Building, Library and Catering offices during the implementation of the project.

Alternative premises to house a temporary Library outside the Inn for the duration of the project have been sought and negotiations are now under way to rent space in a building very close to the Inn's estate.

The Commonwealth collection, current textbooks, journals and law reports as well as access to the subscription databases will be available in the temporary library, which will have about 30 reader places. Library staff will retrieve books from the Littleton Basement in response to users' requests, as they do now. The old editions collection, currently housed in the Library Gallery, will be moved to the Littleton Basement. Other services provided by the Library such as enquiries, document supply, legal research training and web services, will be unaffected.

The Treasury Building and Library will close at Easter to allow time for the building to be cleared by mid-May, with work on the project starting soon afterwards. It is expected that the project will take approximately twenty-two months to complete.

More information on the temporary Library will be posted on the Library's [website](#) as it becomes available.

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## Saturday Opening

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[This timetable](#) gives details of the Saturday opening hours of all four Inn Libraries up to the end of May.

# Annual Review 2018

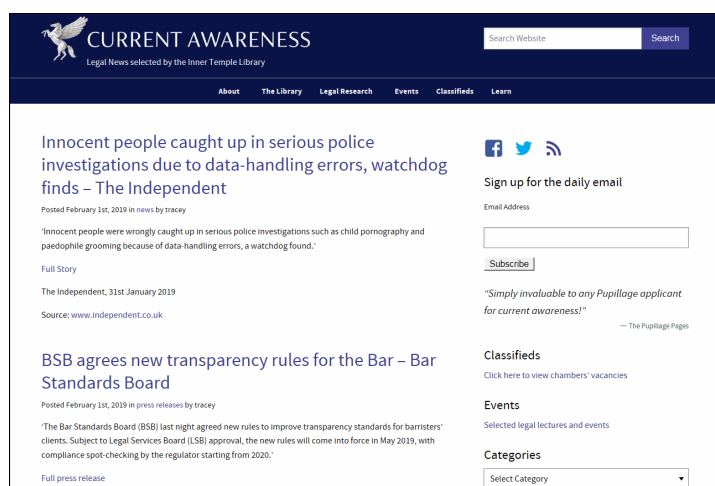
**AccessToLaw** - during the year visitors from 168 countries viewed our [legal gateway site](#), the majority coming from the UK, USA, India, Canada, Australia and Sri Lanka. The sections of the site accessed most frequently were Case Law, Sri Lanka, Legal Journals, Northern Ireland, Regulatory Law, Court Information, Republic of Ireland and Legislation.

**Binding** - a total of 487 volumes of UK and Commonwealth law were bound or rebound during the year. Bookends Bindery, which specialises in dealing with early printed books, carried out conservation and repair work on a number of items.

**Cataloguing** - a total of 125 new titles, and 163 new editions of titles already held, were added to the catalogue during the year. In addition the number of existing records amended (other than to indicate a new edition) was 164. These totals exclude continuation volumes of periodicals - which are of course heavily represented in a library such as ours.

**Committees** - the Librarian acted as Secretary to the Library Committee and to the Inter-Inn Libraries Liaison Committee. She also attended meetings of the Institute of Advanced Legal Studies Library Committee.

**Current Awareness Blog** - during the year we added 4,059 posts to the [blog](#), bringing the archive to a total of 54,971 posts. Email subscriptions now stand at 3,633; in addition 3,909 people subscribe to the RSS feed and we have 9,753 Twitter followers. There are 1,122 subject categories, the top 10 most frequently accessed of these being sentencing, appeals, police, human rights, children, murder, internet, local government, costs and EU law.



**CURRENT AWARENESS**  
Legal News selected by the Inner Temple Library

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**Innocent people caught up in serious police investigations due to data-handling errors, watchdog finds – The Independent**  
Posted February 1st, 2019 in news by tracey

'Innocent people were wrongly caught up in serious police investigations such as child pornography and paedophile grooming because of data-handling errors, a watchdog found.'

Full Story

The Independent, 31st January 2019  
Source: [www.independent.co.uk](#)

**BSB agrees new transparency rules for the Bar – Bar Standards Board**  
Posted February 1st, 2019 in press releases by tracey

'The Bar Standards Board (BSB) last night agreed new rules to improve transparency standards for barristers' clients. Subject to Legal Services Board (LSB) approval, the new rules will come into force in May 2019, with compliance spot-checking by the regulator starting from 2020.'

Full press release

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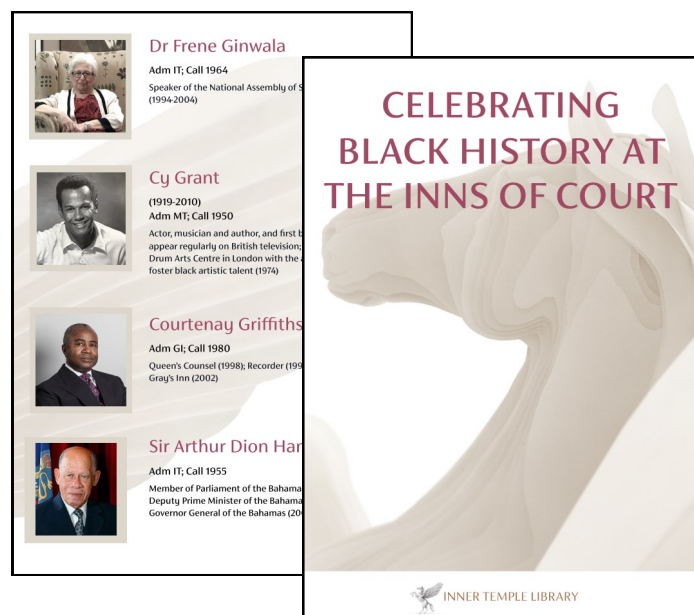
"Simply invaluable to any Pupillage applicant for current awareness!" — The Pupillage Pages

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**Displays and Publications** - in 2018 we created a number of displays and [accompanying booklets](#) to mark important dates, including the 70th anniversary of the National Health Service, Black History Month, Trans Awareness Week and World Human Rights Day.



**CELEBRATING BLACK HISTORY AT THE INNS OF COURT**

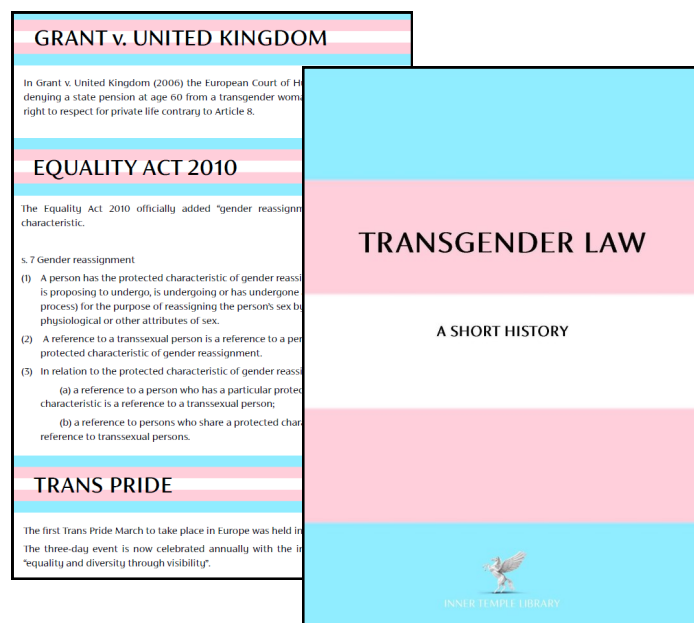
**Dr Frene Ginwala**  
Adm IT; Call 1964  
Speaker of the National Assembly of S (1994-2004)

**Cy Grant**  
(1919-2010)  
Adm MT; Call 1950  
Actor, musician and author, and first to appear regularly on British television; Drum Arts Centre in London with the foster black artistic talent (1974)

**Courtenay Griffiths**  
Adm GI; Call 1980  
Queen's Counsel (1988); Recorder (1999) Gray's Inn (2002)

**Sir Arthur Dion Harcourt**  
Adm IT; Call 1955  
Member of Parliament of the Bahamas Deputy Prime Minister of the Bahamas Governor General of the Bahamas (2001-2007)

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**GRANT v. UNITED KINGDOM**

In *Grant v. United Kingdom* (2006) the European Court of Human Rights found the UK in breach of Article 8 of the European Convention on Human Rights by denying a state pension at age 60 from a transgender woman, a right to respect for private life contrary to Article 8.

**EQUALITY ACT 2010**

The Equality Act 2010 officially added 'gender reassignment' as a protected characteristic.

s. 7 Gender reassignment

(1) A person has the protected characteristic of gender reassignment if the person is proposing to undergo, is undergoing or has undergone (a process) for the purpose of reassigning the person's sex by means of physiological or other attributes of sex.

(2) A reference to a transsexual person is a reference to a person who has the protected characteristic of gender reassignment.

(3) In relation to the protected characteristic of gender reassignment—

(a) a reference to a person who has a particular protected characteristic is a reference to a transsexual person;

(b) a reference to persons who share a protected characteristic is a reference to transsexual persons.

**TRANS PRIDE**

The first Trans Pride March to take place in Europe was held in London in 2000. The three-day event is now celebrated annually with the theme of "equality and diversity through visibility".

**TRANSGENDER LAW**

A SHORT HISTORY

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**Document Supply Service** - [this service](#) is available to barrister and judicial members of all four Inns wherever they are based, and to student members of the Inner Temple. Over the year 177 items have been scanned and emailed to barristers located in the UK, Bermuda, British Virgin Islands, Cyprus, Gibraltar, Guernsey, Ireland, Jersey and the Turks and Caicos Islands.

**Donations** - members of the Inn continue to present copies of their newly published works. We also receive **Wildy, Simmonds and Hill** publications free of charge. Donations resulted in a saving of £2,614 on monographs and £8,376 on loose-leaf releases and journals in 2018.

**Enquiries** - staff at the Enquiry Point dealt with over 3,500 personal and telephone enquiries from barristers, judges, pupils, students, and clerks. Enquiries were, as always, very varied and included: establishing what was the law relating to marriage and divorce in Jamaica in 1879; whether a court would order the civil fraud trial of Defendants 5 and 6 to proceed in circumstances where Defendants 1 to 4 have challenged jurisdiction and the point has gone to the CJEU; whether a judge has discretion to treat a defendant's year on recall as being effectively time served; academic commentary on the most recent decisions relating to an individual's right to light; and whether CPR 25.1(1)(g), regarding disclosure of assets which may be subject to a freezing injunction, had an equivalent in the RSC.

The following materials, requested by Library users, serve to demonstrate the importance of having an extensive and readily accessible old editions collection: *Carriage of Goods by Water Act 1936* (Canada); *Consolidated county court orders and rules 1875*; *The Consolidated general orders of the High Court of Chancery 1860*; *The Indian Contract Act (No. IX of 1872), 11th edition 1915*; *Offences against the Person Ordinance in Revised laws of the Turks & Caicos Islands, 1980 and 1951 editions*. (This is a very small selection.)

**Feedback** - we received complimentary feedback from barristers, students and visitors during the year on various aspects of library services:

"That's twice this week I've been saved by the librarians" (*on the enquiry service*);

"Thanks for lightning service" (*on the document supply service*);

"Many thanks to you and your colleagues for an excellent presentation on Legal Research. I may be a BPTC student, but have to admit that there was so much I learnt from your presentation and in a very timely manner." (*Out of London BPTC student*);

"Thank you very much for the very interesting and informative tour ... You clearly love your job and are passionate about education. You truly inspired each of us who were fortunate enough to be on the tour with you." (*US lawyer, following a Library tour with the Deputy Librarian*);

"I express my gratitude for all your hard work on this excellent daily email, which I do indeed read daily" (*on Current Awareness blog*);

"Thank you for keeping us abreast of legal developments in the UK during the past year." (*Law publishers, South Africa, on the blog*);

"I wanted to let you know how useful we find your AccessToLaw resource, particularly when providing guidance to library visitors who are unable to use our University subscribed sources." (*from librarians at the University of Exeter*)

"Loving @inner-temple having #TransAwarenessWeek cases up in the library" (*on a Library display*);

"Have really enjoyed taking breaks in the library to read about the careers of these lawyers during #Black History Month. I'll be sad to see them go." (*on a BHM library display*);

"Amazing exhibition of manuscripts at Inner Temple Library, the late medieval illustrations of the three superior common law courts and the Chancery are especially remarkable" (*on the manuscript display for members*).

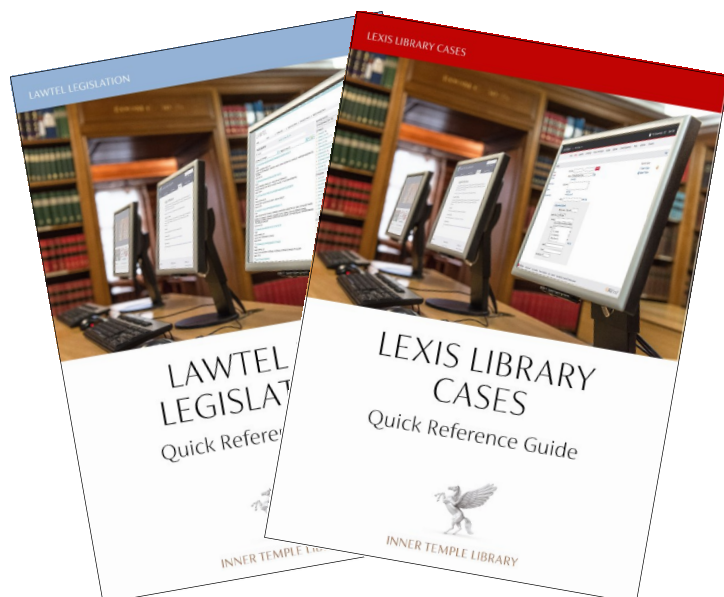
**Grand Day Exhibition** - on 7 November the manuscripts and rare books to be displayed for Grand Night guests were also exhibited in the Library during the afternoon for members and staff of the four Inns to view. Particular interest was shown in the autograph letters exchanged between the children of Henry VIII, the illuminations showing the four courts at Westminster Hall dating from around 1460, and Sir Thomas Egerton's original brief for the trial of Mary Queen of Scots. Visitors were very appreciative of having this opportunity to see a selection of the Inn's treasures.



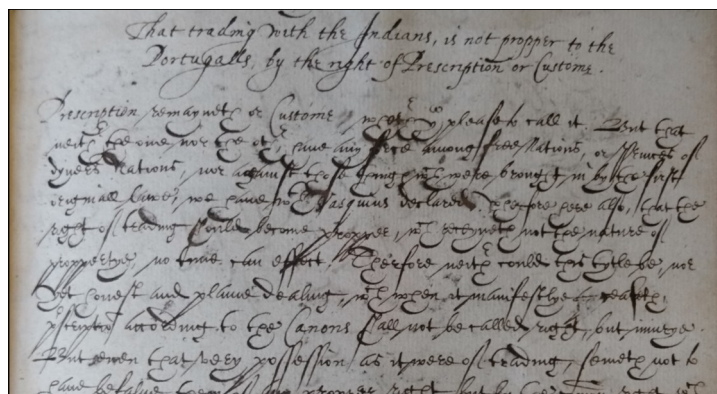
Visitors viewing manuscripts on Grand Day afternoon



**Guides** - the Readers' Guide, Student Guide and legal research and database guides were revised and reprinted during the year. Copies are available in the Library and on our [website](#).



**Historical Enquiries** - enquiries we answered during 2018 related to a wide range of topics, including: Charters of Dunstable Priory; Richard Hakluyt's translation of Grotius's *The free sea*; the power under section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972 to grant honorary titles; and the provenance and physical characteristics of the Inn's copy of Ralph Brooke's *Catalogue of the Kings of England*. As ever we received a great many enquiries concerning persons supposed to have been members of the Inn and these were dealt with in collaboration with the Archivist.



Grotius's *The free sea*, translated by Hakluyt

**IT** - several public access PCs were upgraded to make them faster and more efficient. The Library server hardware was also upgraded. As part of the Inn-wide telephone upgrade, all Library staff received new telephone handsets.

**Legal Research Training** - legal research training sessions for new pupils were run in January and April. The course covers UK case law and legislation and includes topics such as tracking the judicial history of a case, understanding the hierarchy of citations, deciphering neutral citations and finding current and historic versions of legislation. The participants at both sessions were very positive in their feedback, describing the trainers as "very knowledgeable and engaging", "genuinely passionate about their subject" and the content as "very good" and "all useful".

We offered basic legal research training as part of the Inn's Qualifying Sessions in September and October. Two sessions were held on a Saturday and one on a weekday evening. A further session on more advanced legal research was held in May for BPTC students from the 2017 intake. The positive feedback received demonstrates how useful these sessions are to new students.



Deputy Librarian speaking at a Qualifying Session

In November we organised a training session for 18 Bar students at the University of Northumbria. The organiser reported back that "everyone has said that they found it very useful".



Senior Library Assistant and Deputy Librarian at Northumbria University



**Littleton Basement** - Library users requested a total of 230 items from the basement store in the Littleton Building. The most frequently requested items continue to be old editions of practitioners' textbooks and older Commonwealth material.

**Manuscript Enquiries** - the range of subjects being investigated by visiting scholars, and the enquiries we have dealt with by correspondence, continue to attest to the variety and richness of the manuscript collection. Over the past year these have included Andrew Marvell senior's sermon "Israel and England parallel'd" of 1627; the social lives of early modern playhouses; a fragment of Lydgate's Troy Book used in the binding of the Inn's illuminated copy of Hilton's *Scale of perfection*; and propaganda and law enforcement in 16th-century England. Particular attention has been attracted by two literary manuscripts: Thomas Nashe's "The choise of valentines" and Mary Sidney, Countess of Pembroke's translation of Petrarch's "Triumph of Death". Our set of mid-15th century illuminations showing the Courts at Westminster continue to be reproduced in a variety of intriguing contexts, recently for instance in an academic article on authority and masculinity at the Inns of Court in the 14th to 16th centuries, and in an e-book on the history of scrolls and scrolling "from papyrus to hypertext".

**Newsletter** - the Library's electronic **newsletter** was emailed to all members and tenants in February, May, July and October.

The Inner Temple Library Newsletter

## New Acquisitions

First of all we would like to convey our thanks to the following who have presented books to the Library recently: Jonathan Hand for his Practical guide to personal injury claims involving animals; Master Schrems for State liability in tort; a comparative study by Dr. Anja Fairgrieve; Mark Lowndes (general editor) for Service charges and management, 4th edition by Tanfield Chambers; and Master Sedley for his new collection of essays, Law and the whistling of time.

**NHS Law and Practice** by David Cook QC and Hannah Gibbs (LAGs), say the publishers, the first book to describe the large and complex legal structures of the modern NHS. It explains the legal relationships between NHS commissioners and providers of primary, community and acute care, as well as explaining the structure of NHS regulation. The book provides a detailed guide to enforcing patients' legal rights in the context of NHS Continuing Healthcare, patient choice and the rules concerning NHS personal budgets.

**Fundamental features of the criminal justice system**, including the presumption of innocence and areas of proof, the privilege against self-incrimination, and the right to legal advice and representation, are considered by Dame Sian Elias, Chief Justice of New Zealand, in her Henning Lectures for 2016, now published as *Faith in criminal justice* (Oxford and Princeton). The author examines recent challenges to the classic conception of criminal justice, prompted (as she sees it) by anxiety about crime, the costs involved, and delays in proof of guilt.

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### Saturday Opening

One of the four Inns Libraries is open from 10am to 5pm on each Saturday during the legal terms.

October	Lincoln's Inn
27 October	
November	Middle Temple
3 November	
10 November	Gray's Inn
17 November	
24 November	Inner Temple
	Lincoln's Inn

This timetable gives details of the Saturday opening hours of all four Inns Libraries up to the end of the year.

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www.inner temple library.org.uk

BCU  
www.bcuinner temple library.com

LEGAL GATEWAY  
www.legal gateway.com

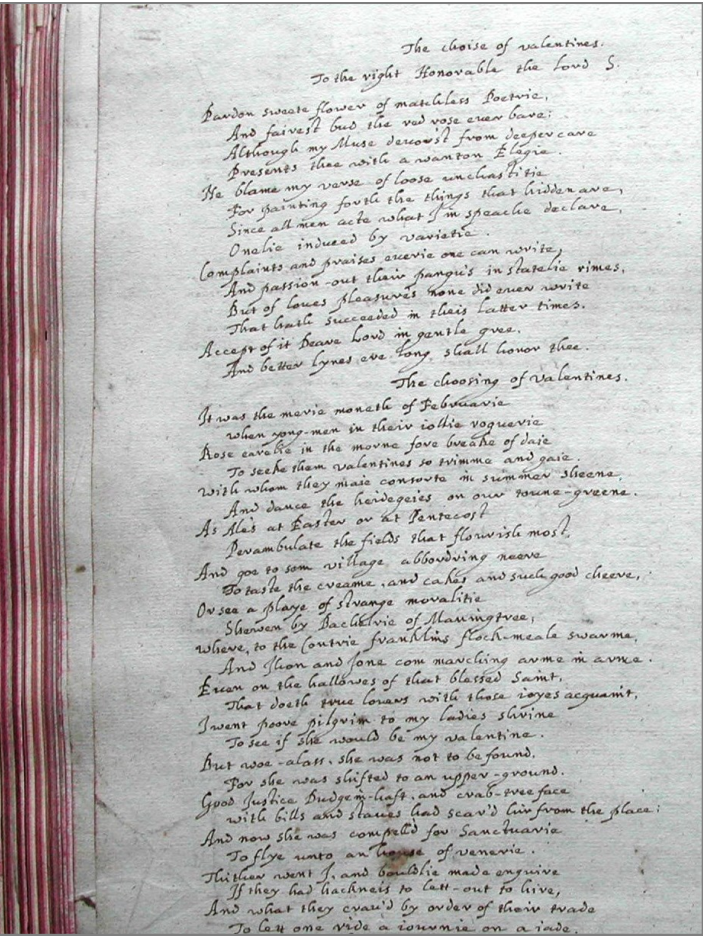
### Manuscript Display

There will be a rare opportunity for members and staff of the four Inns to see items from our manuscript and rare books collections, which will be on display in the Library on Wednesday 7 November from 2.30pm to 5pm, the afternoon of Grand Day.

Please note that the Library will be unavailable for research during that afternoon and evening.



Walter Hilton's *Scale of Perfection*, 15th century



Nashe's "The choise of valentines"


**Online Services** - the Library added Kemp on Lawtel and the Canadian Abridgment (via Westlaw International) to the range of **subscription services** available within the Library. Lexis PSL was trialled for a second time for a twelve month period. A subscription to the Bloomsbury Professional Online Service was taken out in August. This gives full text access to 176 textbooks, loose-leafs and journals in over 20 practice areas. In addition to access within the Library, we have a limited number of logins which allow us to make the service available to Inner Temple barrister members by remote access. A number of members on circuit have taken advantage of this offer.

### SEARCH KEMP ON LAWTEL

Free Text:

☒ Quantum Reports ☐ Kemp Commentary

**Bloomsbury Professional**

Online Services 

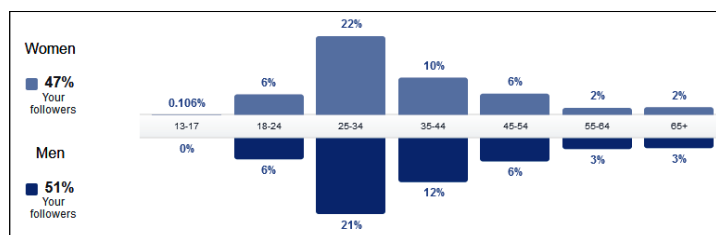
All Content Cases Commentary News

**Pupils** - in addition to the legal research sessions already mentioned, induction sessions were held in October at which the Deputy Librarian outlined the library services that are of most relevance to pupils. Library tours for pupils in individual chambers were given throughout the year.

**Social Media** - we have engaged with our social media audience via **Facebook** and **Twitter** with a wide range of posts which have included in-house displays, additions to the Library collection, changes to opening hours and the Current Awareness news, as well as events and lectures taking place in and around the Inn and law-related TV and radio programmes. Our top five posts on Facebook included three TV documentaries, a short introduction and history of Call Day, and a list of free online law courses and learning resources.

19/09/2018 14:59	 Defending the Guilty, BBC2, today at 10pm The pilot episode of a new show about a pupil barrister. Worth a
23/08/2018 10:33	 Inside the Court of Appeal, ITV, Tonight at 9pm With extraordinary access to the Court of Appeal, this new
09/08/2018 13:00	 The Prosecutors, BBC2, Thursday at 9pm Modern Day Slavery. This week follows a senior prosecutor at the

We currently have 9,765 followers on Twitter and 1,879 on Facebook. Our Facebook followers are mainly based in the UK or the USA and the members are evenly divided between men and women with a substantial proportion in the 25-34 or 35-44 age groups.



**Staff Training** - Library staff attended a number of courses on the General Data Protection Regulation and on making an impact with publications and other forms of communication. Three members of the library team attended the annual conference of the British and Irish Association of Law Librarians, which had *Designing our Future* as its theme.

**Student Events** - the Deputy Librarian attended the Inn's introductory evenings for London and out of London students and was a member of the panel of speakers. She spoke about Library services and the importance of students using the Library throughout their legal careers. At the reception afterwards Library guides and leaflets were on display.

Library staff, together with colleagues from Lincoln's Inn and Middle Temple, attended fresher events at City Law School and the University of Law. These events provide an informal means to meet new students and answer their questions.



Fresher Fair at City Law School

The Deputy Librarian and library staff from the other Inns gave presentations to new BPTC students at BPP Law School, City Law School and the University of Law. The presentations outline the services that the Inn Libraries offer to Bar students.

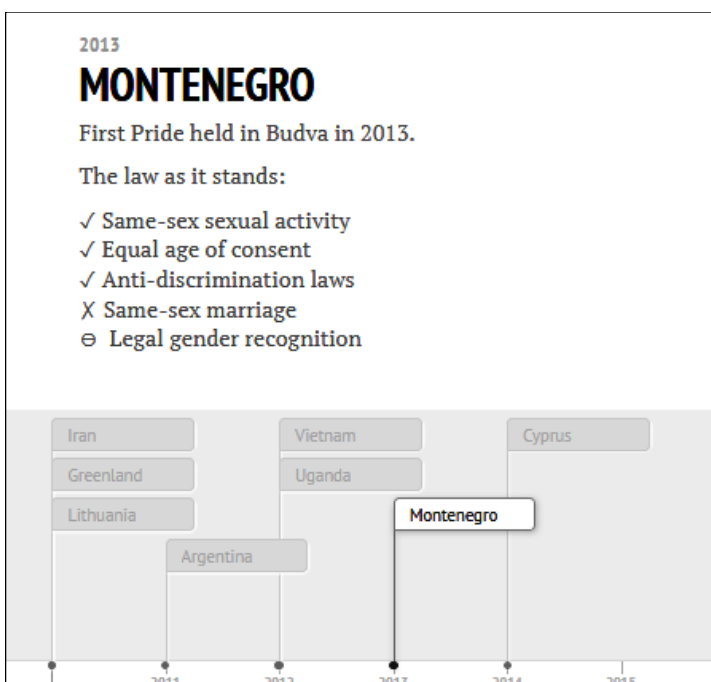
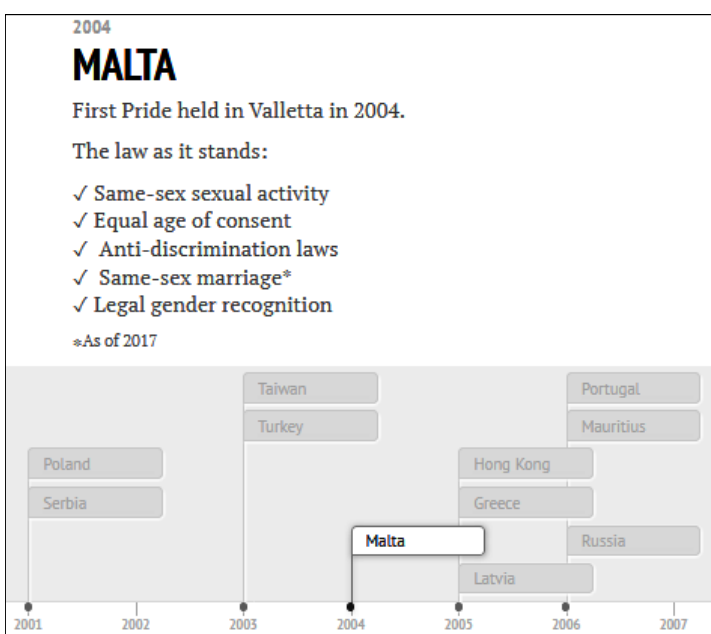
Two open afternoons for London and out of London students were held in September and October, at which students could talk to Library staff, have a tour of the Library and take away a goody bag containing gifts from legal publishers.



Student Open Afternoon

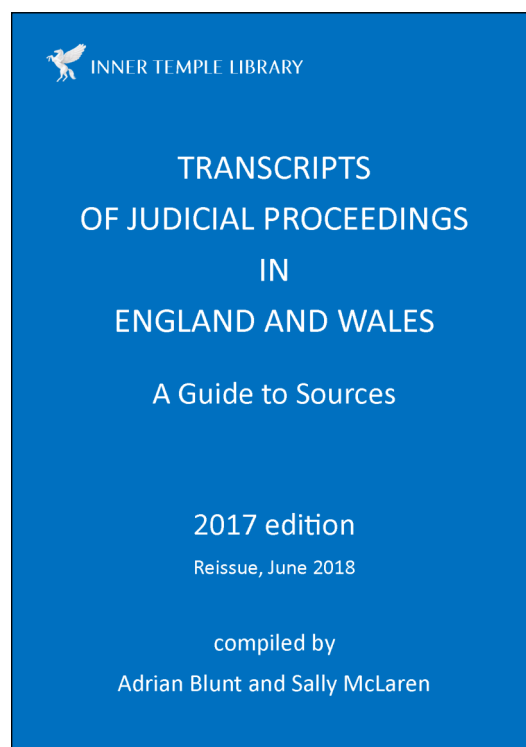


**Timelines** - we updated our Pride Timeline, which highlights countries where Pride marches have become notable fixtures. A snapshot of the current legal situation in each country is included. **All of our timelines** can be viewed via the Library website.

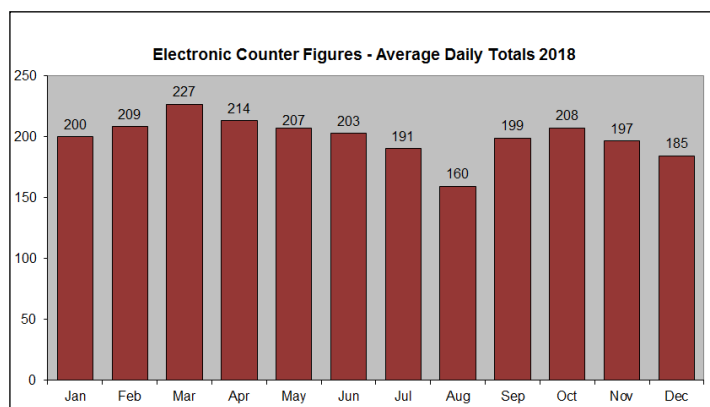


**Tours** - in collaboration with the Inn's Education & Training Department we carried out 55 tours of the Library in the course of the year for prospective members of the Inn.

**Transcripts Guide** - we reissued our **guide to sources of transcripts** in June after carrying out some limited updating of the edition published in 2017. The procedure for obtaining transcripts of hearings in the Royal Courts of Justice and at some other London courts was clarified and some recent name changes affecting the High Court were incorporated.



**Usage Statistics** - an electronic monitor at the Library entrance counts people entering and leaving the Library, including staff: totals for each day are halved to compensate (as far as possible) for the fact that most people would be counted twice. The average daily total in 2018, after this adjustment, was 200, which is the same as last year.



**Users Group** - the Library Users Group continued to discuss Project Pegasus and its effect on the Library. The Group, which consists of barristers, pupils and students, made a submission to the Bar Liaison Committee's survey on the Project.

**Visits** - Visitors to the Library have included new staff members from the other Inn Libraries, the Teaching and Learning Support Team from UCL Library, a group of NHS librarians, the Temple Bar and Pegasus Scholars from the USA (accompanied by the president and senior delegates from the American Inns of Court Foundation), the IALS Inns of Court Fellow, and the Inn's new Academic Fellows.

We also gave a talk on library services to Spanish university students.



Teaching and Learning Support Team from UCL Library



NHS Librarians

**Website** - visitors from 150 different countries viewed the [Library website](#), the majority located in the UK, USA, France, Canada and India. The most frequently accessed sections of the site were the catalogue, opening hours, legal research FAQs and training, document supply service, free legal resources, manuscripts and the history of the Inn and of the Library.

The screenshot shows the homepage of the Inner Temple Library website. At the top is a dark blue header with the library's name and a search bar. Below the header is a navigation menu with links to 'About Us', 'Using the Library', 'Services &amp; Facilities', 'Collections', 'Research &amp; Training', and 'Inner Temple Links'. The main content area features a large image of the library's interior, followed by a section titled 'Document Supply' and 'Current Awareness'. There are also sections for 'Opening Hours', 'Visiting Us', 'AccessToLaw', 'Manuscripts', and 'Contact Us'. The footer contains additional information and links.

The screenshot shows a page titled 'Frequently Asked Legal Research Questions'. The page has a dark blue header with navigation links. The main content area contains text explaining the purpose of the guides and listing some of the sources. There are also links to 'Researching UK Law', 'Researching EU Law', 'Researching Treaties', and 'Researching Parliamentary Publications'. The page is designed with a clean, professional layout and includes a search bar at the top.



## Grand Day Exhibition

By long tradition there is an exhibition of manuscripts and rare books in the evening of Grand Day which members and the Inn's guests may view before dinner. On Grand Day 2018 (7 November) the manuscripts and rare books to be displayed for Grand Night were also exhibited in the Library during the afternoon for members and staff of the four Inns to enjoy. Particular interest was shown in the autograph letters exchanged between the children of Henry VIII; Edward VI's "Devise for the Succession" whereby he sought to prevent his half-sister Mary from succeeding him; the illuminations showing the four courts at Westminster Hall dating from around 1460; and Sir Thomas Egerton's original brief for the trial of Mary Queen of Scots.



Printed works exhibited included the *Nuremberg chronicle*; *Seller's sea atlas*; Playford's *Dancing master*; Buffon's *Histoire naturelle de oiseaux*; and Malory's *Morte Darthur* illustrated by Aubrey Beardsley. The event was very well attended and visitors were very appreciative of having this opportunity to see a selection of the Inn's treasures.



## Consultation on Pupils' Training Needs

We would like to ask pupils about their research training needs.

In the past we have run sessions for pupils that cover the basics of legal research as well as some more advanced topics. This ground is now also covered in the Qualifying Sessions we offer to BPTC students in the autumn and spring.

In order to avoid simply duplicating training sessions for different audiences, we would like to hear from pupils about the research topics they would like to see covered in any training aimed at them.

Comments may be sent to [tdennis@innertemple.org.uk](mailto:tdennis@innertemple.org.uk).

We cannot promise to cover everything, but we want to make sure that what we do offer is helpful to pupils.

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## Book Prize 2018

The Inner Temple Book Prize awards ceremony took place on 12 December in the presence of our Royal Patron HRH The Princess Royal. The Book Prize, which is sponsored by Wildy & Sons, celebrates and rewards outstanding contributions to the understanding of law. The Main Prize winner was Professor Paul S. Davies for *accessory liability* (Hart Publishing). The New Authors Prize winner was Dr Jason Varuhas for *Damages and human rights* (Hart Publishing).



HRH The Princess Royal and the Treasurer meeting John Sinkins, Brian Hill and Jason Crimp of Wildy & Sons

# AccessToLaw: Company Law & Insolvency

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The **Company Law** section in **AccessToLaw** comprises nine entries, all of which are for websites which relate to company law generally, and some of which include content on company insolvency. There is also within AccessToLaw's legal subject areas a specific **Insolvency** section. This comprises eight entries, some of which are concerned with personal insolvency, or bankruptcy, as well as with company insolvency.

The UK Government department which has overall responsibility for business, including company law, is the **Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy** (BEIS). There is an entry for the department itself, but for detailed information relating to companies in the UK the primary source is an executive agency of BEIS, **Companies House**. Companies House is responsible for a range of functions, including registration, relating to limited companies and company records. Although there are some services for which payment is required, basic company information, forms and guidance documents are accessible free of charge. There are some links to legislation, for example in Company House's guidance on liquidation and insolvency.

**Company Law Club** is one of two non-government sites which may provide useful starting points for research. This is a website of Company Law Solutions Limited, a firm based in Newcastle-upon-Tyne which provides company registration and related services. Free information includes a company law database and an annotated list (with links) of the main UK companies legislation. The other site is **Corporate Law and Governance**, which functions both as a blog for news and current developments, and as a portal with links to the main corporate law and governance primary materials, news sources and organisations.

There are two entries for specific courts. **Companies List** is the present name of what was known (before the formation in October 2017 of the Business and Property Courts of the High Court of Justice) as the Companies Court. It deals with cases on insolvency, winding up and other matters. The **Company Names Tribunal** adjudicates on disputes about opportunistic company name and limited liability partnership name registrations. Its decisions are included on the site.

The remaining three entries in the Company Law section are concerned with various aspects of regulation. The **Financial Reporting Council** is an

independent regulator which oversees auditors, accountants and actuaries, and also the UK Corporate Governance Code and UK Stewardship Code, both of which may be downloaded from its web site. The Rules of the London Stock Exchange, with which all member firms are required to comply, and also the AIM Rules, may be downloaded from the **London Stock Exchange** site. The City Code on Takeovers and Mergers may be downloaded from **Takeover Panel**, the web site of the body which administers it, the Panel on Takeovers and Mergers.

The first site to note in AccessToLaw's **Insolvency** section is another executive agency of BEIS: the **Insolvency Service**. Its responsibilities include administering bankruptcies and debt relief orders, and investigating and prosecuting breaches of company and insolvency legislation on behalf of BEIS.

The Insolvency Service's counterpart in Scotland is an executive agency of the Scottish Government - the **Accountant in Bankruptcy**. Comparable information on bankruptcy and liquidation processes in Northern Ireland is available on the **Insolvency Service [Northern Ireland]** site. All of these agency sites provide extensive information, guidance, documents and links.

Just as the Companies Court underwent a change of name in 2017 to become the **Companies List**, the Bankruptcy Court likewise changed its name at the same time, to **Insolvency List**. Its main function is to handle petitions to bankrupt individuals living in London where the amount owed is £50,000 or more.

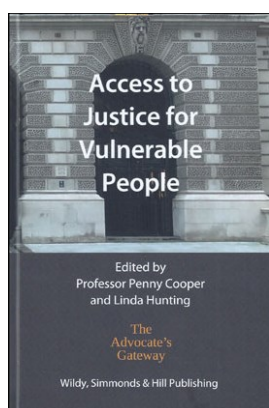
Insolvency practitioners in the UK are authorised and regulated by the **Insolvency Practitioners Association**. Some site content is accessible only by members, but freely available content includes (for example) regulatory notices and some guidance documents.

The last two entries are international in scope. The **Global Insolvency Law Database** is the World Bank's legal portal for insolvency and creditor/debtor rights matters, providing links to bankruptcy, insolvency and commercial laws from around the world. The **International Insolvency Institute** site is notable for its International Resource Library, containing an extensive collection of articles, legislation, decisions and other materials arranged mainly by topic and by country.



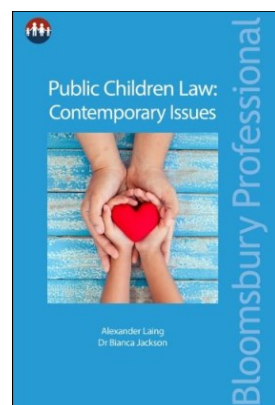
# New Acquisitions

In *Patel v Mirza* [2016] UKSC 42, nine justices of the Supreme Court decided in favour of a restitutionary award in response to an unjust enrichment, despite the illegal transaction on which that enrichment was based. While the result was reached unanimously, the reasoning could be said to have divided the Court. Lady Hale and Lords Toulson, Kerr, Wilson, Hodge and Neuberger favoured a discretionary approach, while Lord Sumption outlined a more rule-based means of dealing with the issue, an approach with which Lord Mance and Lord Clarke broadly agreed. The decision is detailed and complex, and can be expected to have ramifications for the application of the illegality doctrine across a wide range of disciplinary areas. The essay collection *Illegality after Patel v. Mirza* edited by Sarah Green and Alan Bogg (Hart) provides a set of theoretical and practical perspectives on the illegality defence in English private law, by a team of authors well-established in their respective fields.



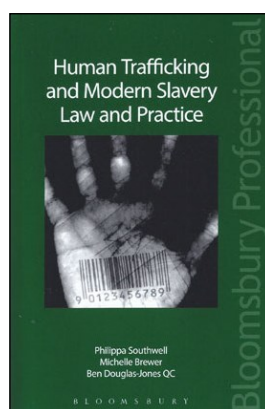
***Access to justice for vulnerable people***, edited by Penny Cooper and Linda Hunting (Wildy, Simmonds & Hill) follows on from the Advocate's Gateway Conference in 2017, and consists of a selection of papers from presentations at the conference. The primary focus is an international comparison of vulnerability in justice systems and issues surrounding access to justice for vulnerable witnesses

and parties. The authors present the latest developments in a constantly developing area of law and provide details of the many challenges which suspects, defendants, vulnerable witnesses and victims encounter in justice systems, and go on to make recommendations for specific changes to policy and practice.



The proliferation of reported judgments and sharp rise in applications for public law orders place considerable pressures on all those involved in public children law. That is made harder still by the recent rise in cases with an international dimension and the proliferation of jurisdictional schemes that now apply. Those involved must constantly strive to stay on top

of case law, procedural rules, and evolving statutes and regulations in order to be able to execute their responsibilities effectively and safeguard the best interests of the child. ***Public children law: contemporary issues*** by Alexander Laing and Bianca Jackson (Bloomsbury Professional) is a guide to important, current and commonly misunderstood issues in public children law focusing on areas that have posed particular difficulties for practitioners in recent years. It brings together in one place the many sources of law in England and Wales, sets out the key cases and procedure in relation to twelve themes central to contemporary public children law; and assists with good practice by pointing out common pitfalls and how to avoid them.



***Human trafficking and modern slavery law and practice*** by Philippa Southwell, Michelle Brewer, and Ben Douglas-Jones (Bloomsbury Professional) is a concise, practical guide to modern slavery and human trafficking law and procedure, in a step by step format. Its cross-discipline approach offers practical guidance for criminal and immigration practitioners unfamiliar with all side of these

practice areas. Topics covered include: definition of a victim of trafficking; victim protection; trafficking and the European Convention on Human Rights; the Modern Slavery Act 2015; and the UN Refugee Convention.

Thanks are due to the following, who have presented new titles or editions to the Library since the last Newsletter: Timothy Lyons QC for *EU customs law*, 3rd edition; James Lee, co-editor and Associate Academic Fellow of the Inner Temple, for Hanbury and Martin's *Modern equity*, 21st edition; Master Woolf for *Adventures in criminology* by Leon Radzinowicz; Jennie Wild for *40 under 40: international arbitration*; Carl Islam for *The advocate and the expert in the Court of Protection*; Master Fetherstonhaugh for *The Electronic Communications Code and property law* by Falcon Chambers; Barry Denyer-Green for *Compulsory purchase and compensation*, 11th edition; Master Goode for both *Fundamental concepts of commercial law* and *Development of transnational commercial law*; and Master Punwar for *Laws of the DIFC*, volumes 1 and 2.

A list of **new law titles and editions** received from October to December is available on our website.