

NEWSLETTER

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Temporary Library Opens

The temporary Library, housed on the 5th floor at 10 Fetter Lane, opened to users on Tuesday 28 May.

We will be providing a full range of services including:

- provision of textbooks (current and old editions), journals and law reports
- provision of the Commonwealth collection
- access to a range of subscription databases, including Lexis Library, Westlaw and other specialist services
- an enquiry service by email, telephone or in person
- a document supply service
- legal research training
- web services such as the [Current Awareness Blog](#) and [AccessToLaw](#)
- retrieval of books from the basement store

Our opening hours will be 9am-8pm from Monday to Thursday and 9am-7pm on Fridays.

We look forward to welcoming members of the Inns to the temporary Library.

Saturday Opening

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

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



Open for business

Moving to Fetter Lane

The fit-out of the temporary Library was completed by contractors on 9 May. A team from **Jamie Briggs Removals** packed, moved, unpacked and shelved books at Fetter Lane over the next week. Furniture and staff followed, leaving behind an empty Library on 17 May.

The National Conservation Service assisted with packing our rare books and manuscripts in individual archive boxes and placing them in crates, which were then transported to the Restore storage facility in Oxfordshire.

Books from the legal collections that cannot be accommodated on the 1,000 linear metres of shelving we have in the temporary Library, have either been moved to the Littleton Basement store or sent to the **Restore** storage facility. The non-law collection has also been sent to storage for the duration of Project Pegasus.

Items housed in the Littleton Basement store can of course be brought over to Fetter Lane within a few minutes; please note, however, that material in the Restore storage facility is not retrievable.

The images which follow show the move in operation.



Tables and books packed for storage



Manuscripts in archive boxes inside crates awaiting dispatch to Restore

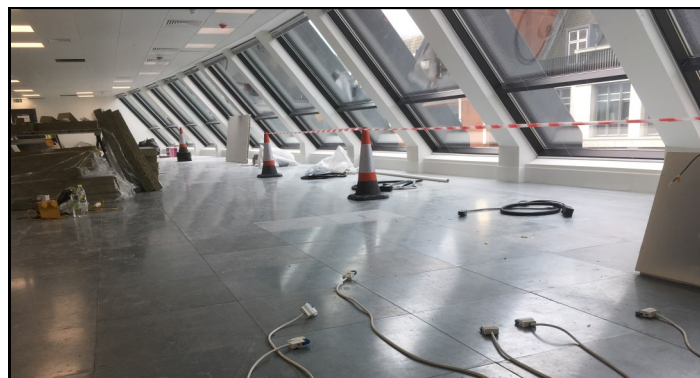


Books being removed by lift via window

Moving to Fetter Lane continued



Gandhi leaving the building



Fit-out begins in the temporary Library



The large oak tables are removed via the stairs



Jamie Briggs (left) helps with the first crates of books to arrive at their temporary home



Goodbye...



Shelving in the temporary Library

“Without Libraries what have we? We have no past and no future” *

Tracey Dennis, Deputy Librarian, writes

As the Library re-opens in its temporary home on the 5th floor of 10 Fetter Lane, I have been considering the relevance of libraries in the digital world. I have previously written articles on the fallacy of the often-quoted expression “It’s all online now”, and although I will expand on that slightly in this article, it seems to me that there are many other reasons why our Library is highly relevant and might claim a place at the heart of the Inner Temple community.

We live in an era of fake news and information overload where everything and anything can be published quickly and cheaply. But in this chaotic environment the quality of the Library’s resources can be trusted. The librarians know how to evaluate information for relevance, accuracy and authority. Our Library is stocked with only the best legal resources which are maintained so that everything is up to date and appropriate for users’ needs.

Moreover, the Library’s holdings are stable and long lasting. Web pages, however, can be ephemeral and may be taken down or just lost without any thought of archiving the content. Our policy is to retain superseded editions enabling users to find material whatever the original publication date.

There is an assumption that everything is online and can be found easily. However, from having observed how users approach the subscription databases I can see that even when database providers strive to make interfaces as user-friendly as possible, users often struggle to find what they need. By contrast, it is easy and convenient for users to find what they need in the Library. We do not use a classification system and most items are shelved alphabetically by author or title. I am confident that anyone trying to find official publications on the gov.uk website will find it much easier to check our catalogue and get the item off the shelf.

As well as offering ease and convenience, the Library provides an environment that is conducive to study and research. The quiet and peaceful surroundings (which we will maintain in the temporary location) make the Library a great place to study and undertake research. Our surveys show how important this is to Library users.

“A good law library is a Public Benefit. It provides a lawyer – any lawyer – with the same access to the very same legal resources as his or her opponents, however well-resourced or expensive those lawyers are.” [Jack of Kent blog.] This statement is highly pertinent in today’s environment when many chambers are economizing and publicly-funded barristers are suffering as a result of cuts to legal aid. We are able to purchase expensive textbooks and provide access to online resources that are beyond the means of many individual barristers. This is a core function and makes it possible for members to access all the materials they might need in the course of their work, and puts everyone on an equal footing.

Our Library provides a highly respected enquiry service where users can have face-to-face contact with the Library staff. Most people will have experienced the frustration of trying to explain a problem to an outsourced call centre or just trying to get beyond an automated call system. Face-to-face service will get results quicker and is a more pleasant and relaxing way to get the support you need. A rapport is built up and it is much easier for both parties to understand exactly what is required. The very positive feedback we receive shows how much our users value good customer service.

I would say that the Library embodies the cultural identity of the Inn and connects its different communities. Our collections represent hundreds of years of learning, information and history. Our services are there for all members and staff. We offer services for members from the day they join the Inn, right through their legal careers and into retirement.

To conclude, the Library is as relevant today as it ever was and we trust it will continue to thrive in its temporary location and then when we return to the main building in 2021.

**Ray Bradbury*

JustisOne, Intelligent Legal Research

David Hand, Justis Marketing & Communications Analyst, writes

JustisOne, the legal research platform from Justis, combines the functionality offered by our legacy platforms, Justis and JustCite. By combining Justis' full-text database with JustCite's unique citator functionality, JustisOne is a powerful legal research tool. Below is a summary of its features.

A starting place for your case law research

As the world's only neutral legal indexer, JustisOne links to over 100 other services. This means that customers can use JustisOne as a single point of access when researching case law, as search results will list all relevant content from Justis, even if it is not something Inner Temple Library subscribes to, and content that we index from other services, including Westlaw, Lexis and BAILII. JustisOne can also link directly to the full text of the case on another service, if the host library subscribes, if a user is logged in, without the need to search again.

Three ways to search

The easiest way to search is by using JustisOne's search bar, located at the top of the screen. This can automatically identify citations, cases, courts and categories, and also supports Boolean search operators.

For more specific searches, the Advanced Search feature can be used to search across all areas of content.

Alternatively, there are specific forms for Cases and for Legislation.

Finally, JustisOne's Browse feature, shown below, enables users to search for Cases, Statutes and Statutory Instruments in an easy step-by-step process. Using Browse, searches can be refined by jurisdiction, court, category of law, year and reported series.

Identify the most cited passage of a judgment

When opening a case on JustisOne, the pink passages in the left-hand panel are the most subsequently cited passages of the judgment. This will aid in determining how a case has been used and quickly identify the key points of law within the judgment. Key passages can change as new cases are added to JustisOne so users can be confident that they will remain current.

Cited and citing cases

On JustisOne it is possible to view lists of all cases cited by, and which subsequently cite, a given judgment, with treatment types determined by our legally trained editors. Clicking the links next to each case will highlight them within the judgment, showing these citations in context, thus enabling users to understand how and why the cases are relevant and whether they are important to their research.

Our All Citing Cases feature will help save time by displaying all the relevant paragraphs from any case that has subsequently cited the case under scrutiny, so users do not have to visit each case individually.

JustisOne, Intelligent Legal Research continued

See where an authority has been considered at a glance

The JustisOne Precedent Map is a unique visualisation tool which enables the user instantly to see the relationships between the case and the treatment received. Cases are ordered chronologically, so that the current status of a case can be seen at a glance.

Content & coverage

Inner Temple Library's JustisOne subscription contains the largest collection of UK superior court judgments available online, including over 10,000 judgments not available anywhere else. This is available alongside the complete legislative history of general, local and private Acts.

The Library also has access to the largest collection of Caribbean case law available, including the exclusive Carilaw collection. This covers 18 jurisdictions across the Caribbean, including Anguilla, Antigua & Barbuda, the Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bermuda, British Virgin Islands, Cayman Islands, Dominica, Grenada, Guyana, Jamaica, Montserrat, St Christopher & Nevis, St Lucia, St Vincent & the Grenadines, Trinidad & Tobago, and Turks and Caicos Islands.

Inner Temple's subscription also includes the *Bermuda law reports* and the *Cayman Islands law reports* (both of which are available exclusively online through Justis) and the *Times law reports*.

Support

JustisOne contains a comprehensive in-service Help section, and our **dedicated helpdesk team** are available to answer any queries. If you require in-depth guidance on using JustisOne, our experienced **training team** can conduct sessions both online and in person, tailored to your needs.

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

Q&A Day

On 23 June the Deputy Librarian will take part in the Inn's Q&A Day for prospective members. Her presentation, entitled "The lesser-known superpower: legal research", will look at the importance of being able to undertake effective legal research and at some of the key points to consider when starting a research task. When this talk was last given, attendees described it as "elucidating and enlightening". The superhero theme reflects the Deputy Librarian's own film preferences and will (we hope) make a potentially dry topic more interesting and memorable.

Legal Research Qualifying Sessions

On 11 May Library staff ran two sessions on advanced legal research as part of the Inn's Advocacy Day. These sessions were a continuation of the qualifying sessions that we ran last autumn and considered topics that new pupils would do well to be familiar with. The content was based on questions staff are regularly asked in the Library and the aim was to make the move from BPTC to pupillage research less stressful for all those who participated.

Learn for Free: Law Courses & Lectures Online

We have updated our list of **free learning resources**. There are now over 300 resources including MOOCs, courseware, lecture collections and podcasts, covering a range of topics and jurisdictions.

We are still adding to this list. If you have any suggestions for inclusion please contact smclaren@innertemple.org.uk



AccessToLaw: Human Rights

This issue goes out as BBC Radio 4 reaches the half way point in its broadcasts of Master Sumption's series of **2019 Reith Lectures, Law and the Decline of Politics**. The third of his five lectures, focusing on human rights law, is entitled **Human Rights and Wrongs**.

The **Human Rights** section of our **AccessToLaw** portal site is one we have not looked at before: now seems an appropriate moment to do so. It comprises more than 40 entries.

As is the case with many topics, a guide on the GlobalLex website may provide a useful starting point for research. **International Human Rights** is a narrative guide, with extensive links, to the world's major human rights systems operating at both international and regional levels. First published online in 2007, it was expanded and completely rewritten in 2017.

A comprehensive collection of more than 60,000 documents on human rights and related material is provided by the **University of Minnesota Human Rights Library**. There are also links to over 4,000 other sites.

The leading United Nations entity on human rights is the **Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights**. For full access to its collection of conventions, declarations and other documents we provide an entry for the whole site, but we also include a convenient direct link to the text on that site of what was the most important document in the establishment of modern human rights in the aftermath of World War II, the **Universal Declaration of Human Rights**. Besides the original English and French texts, translations are available into more than 500 languages and dialects.

Many entries are concerned with human rights in Europe. The **European Court of Human Rights** site provides comprehensive information on all aspects of its work, including the composition and working of the court, the HUDOC case law database, the court rules, and the text of the European Convention on Human Rights and protocols.

Two particularly large and important sections of the ECHR site merit dedicated entries of their own.

HUDOC is the official database of ECHR case law, containing judgments and decisions from 1959 to date. A detailed user manual provides information on database content and guidance on searching.

Information on the **European Convention on Human Rights** is provided by the Council of Europe Treaty Office. Content includes the Travaux Préparatoires to the Convention, in addition to the text of the Convention as amended by the Protocols, and details of signatures, ratifications, reservations and declarations.

There is also an entry for **Council of Europe: Commissioner for Human Rights**, the Commissioner being an independent institution within the Council of Europe responsible since 1999 for promoting human rights within member states.

One of those member states is of course the United Kingdom. European Convention rights were incorporated into domestic law from October 2000 by the **Human Rights Act 1998**. The text of the Act, on the Legislation.gov.uk site, may be viewed both in its original version as enacted and in an updated version.

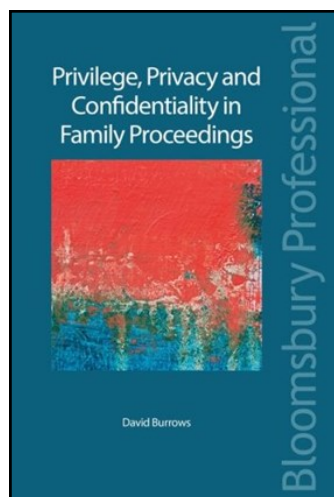
The body responsible to Government for the monitoring and upholding of human rights in the UK is the **Equality and Human Rights Commission**. Its site has advice and guidance, codes of practice, and information on its legal and enforcement powers, inquiries and investigations.

The majority of the sites described so far are of official national or international bodies. Significant content of legal interest may also be found on the websites of several private organisations. The longest established of these in the UK is **Liberty**, which has sought to protect civil liberties and promote human rights since 1934. The site has details of test cases which Liberty has taken to higher English courts and to the European Court of Human Rights.

Other entries include **JUSTICE**, an all-party law reform and human rights organisation which forms the British section of the **International Commission of Jurists**, and **Amnesty International**, which has campaigned for human rights worldwide since 1961.

There is room for just one final selection among the two dozen and more remaining entries, and that is the blog produced by close neighbours of ours in the Temple, members of chambers at 1 Crown Office Row. Their **UK Human Rights Blog** features news, articles, case summaries and comment, written by members of chambers and guest contributors.

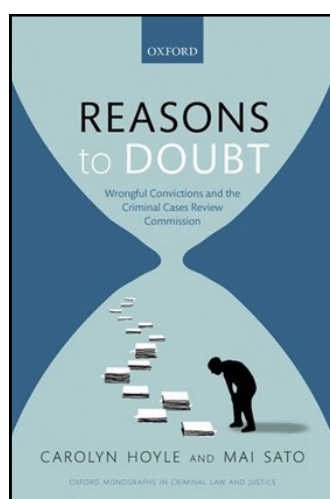
New Acquisitions



David Burrows's *Privilege, privacy and confidentiality in family proceedings* (Bloomsbury Professional) puts privilege, privacy and confidentiality in its common law context. It considers that family proceedings are almost always heard "in private" and examines how this convention sits with common law principles. The author singles out the issues that arise in care proceedings where there are

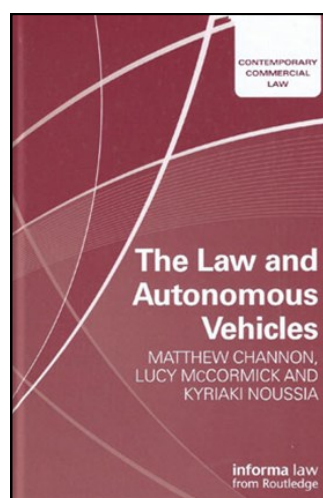
parallel criminal proceedings and explains the differences in law and in statutory guidance between the duties of confidentiality as imposed upon lawyers, doctors and social workers.

The aim of *Sanctions law* by Richard Gordon, Michael Smyth and Tom Cornell (Hart) is not to provide an exhaustive list of sanctions regulations, but rather a comprehensive framework for engaging with the relevant legislation and the main issues arising therefrom. Reinforcing this practical and commercially-focused approach each chapter is written in a format that enables easy reading and rapid assimilation. The sanctions regimes discussed in detail are those of the United Nations, the European Union, The United Kingdom and the United States.



Reasons to doubt: wrongful convictions and the Criminal Cases Review Commission by Carolyn Hoyle and Mai Sato (Oxford) presents the findings of the first thorough study of decision-making and the use of discretion within the Commission. It shows how the Commission exercises its discretionary powers in identifying and investigating possible wrongful convictions for rehearing by the Court of Appeal.

The research it draws on comprises a quantitative and qualitative analysis of case files and aggregate data, as well as interviews with decision makers and observations of committee meetings, by means of which the authors aim fully to grasp the workings of the CCRC from a socio-legal perspective, and to understand how discretion operates at the individual and institutional level.



The UK and a number of other jurisdictions are already implementing legal reforms with a view to smoothing the path to automated vehicle technology. Notably, Parliament has passed the Automated and Electric Vehicles Act 2018, dealing with the insurance of such vehicles, and changes are currently being made to the Road Vehicles (Construction and Use) Regulations 1986 and to

the Highway Code. The government has also issued non-statutory guidance in relation to testing on public roads, and in relation to vehicle cybersecurity. Against this rapidly changing landscape, *The law and autonomous vehicles* by Matthew Channon, Lucy McCormick and Kyriaki Nossia (Informa) analyses the key legal issues facing autonomous vehicles, including testing on public roads, insurance, product liability, cyber security and data protection. It also examines the approach adopted in other jurisdictions, including Austria, Germany, Greece, Italy, the USA and South Africa.

Thanks are due to the following, who have kindly presented to the Library new editions of works for which they bear responsibility: Richard Honey, co-editor, for *The law of compulsory purchase*, general editor Guy Roots, 3rd edition, and Alix Beldam, joint author with Susan Holdham, for *Court of Appeal Criminal Division: a practitioner's guide*, 2nd edition.

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