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Saturday Opening

One of the four Inn Libraries is open from 10.00am to 5.00pm on each Saturday during the legal terms.

May

13 May	Gray's Inn*
20 May	Middle Temple*
27 May	CLOSED

June

3 June	Gray's Inn*
10 June	Lincoln's Inn
17 June	Middle Temple
24 June	Inner Temple*

July

1 July	Inner Temple
8 July	Lincoln's Inn
15 July	Middle Temple
22 July	Gray's Inn
29 July	CLOSED

*Please note the change of order

[This timetable](#) gives the latest details of the Saturday opening of all four Inn Libraries.

The manuscripts have now all been returned to the Inn from storage. Please see our website for more details on our [manuscript collection](#) and details of how to access them. More information on them will be in the next issue of our newsletter.

Celebrating a Year of Being Back in the Temple

In March 2022 the Library reopened in the Temple after three years in Fetter Lane. We would like to highlight a few changes and also remind users of some of our most important services.

Some New Initiatives:

Layout of the Rooms – This has changed slightly, but we think for the better. The English law textbooks are now in Room A, next to the Enquiry Point, so that staff are able to advise on the best texts quickly and easily.

Patron-Driven Acquisitions Scheme - This was introduced as a way for the Library to be responsive to the needs of users who discover that a book they need is not available in the Library collection. All [requests](#) meeting specified criteria will be automatically purchased whilst funds remain available.

Library Charter – [This](#) we hope serves as a means for users and Library staff to work together to enhance the experience of using the Library.

Reading Room – This space in our new basement can be booked as a private space to make calls, participate in conference calls or hold small group discussions. The space can be booked at the Enquiry Point.

Phone Calls – The lobby next to the photocopying room can be used to make calls.

Lidded Drinks and Sofas – Users may now bring lidded drinks into the Library and we have two sofas in Room A which can be used by anyone needing a break from work.

Loans – We have extended the loans service: see article on page 3.

Key Services that Remain the Same

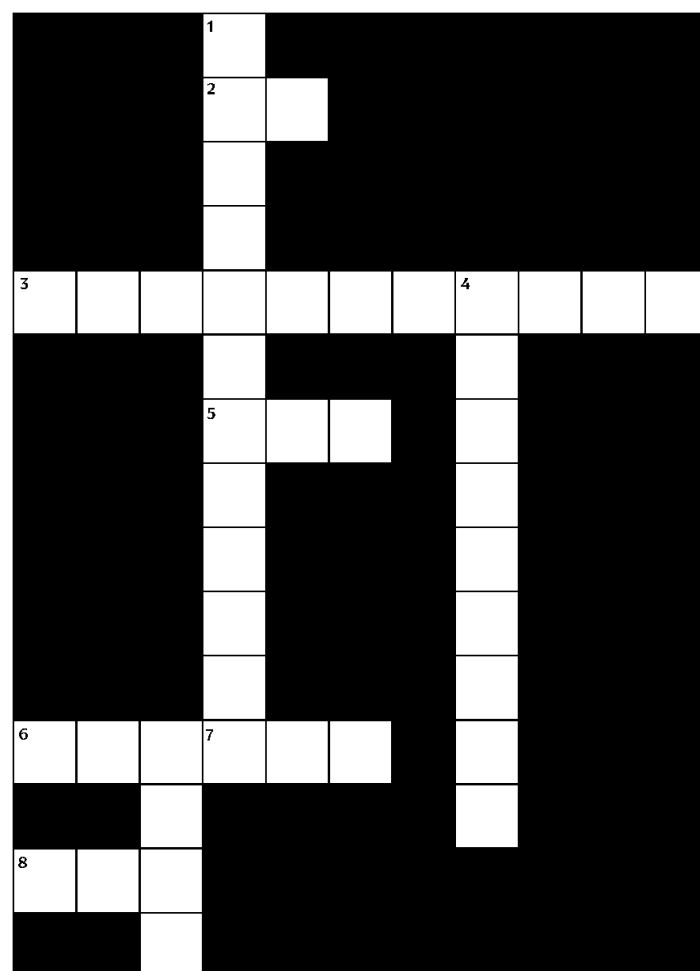
Subscription Databases – All the Library PCs provide access to the main legal subscription databases.

Up-to-Date Editions of Textbooks – We continue to make sure that we have the most current editions of key textbooks.

Document Supply Service – This service is a fast, reliable and cost-effective way to obtain materials when you cannot come into the Library.

Most importantly, Library staff continue to provide support to all users. If you are in need of assistance, always ask the staff for help.

Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

2. Can you bring food into the Library?
3. Where can you make calls?
5. Can you bring lidded drinks into the Library?
6. What is the main book on contract law?
8. What is the scheme whereby you can suggest a book for purchase?

DOWN

1. Where do the librarians sit?
4. How long can you borrow *Chitty* for?
7. What database has *Lloyd's Law Reports*?

Answers on the back page.

Borrowing Books from the Library

When we re-opened in March 2022 we decided to extend the loans service.

There are various categories of loan.

Overnight Loans - This is for textbooks in the following collections:

English Law (Room A)

EU Law, International Law and Human Rights (Room C)

Commonwealth and Scots Law (Room G)

Weekly Loans - This is for books in the following collections:

Jurisprudence (Basement Reading Room)

Constitutional Law (Basement Reading Room)

Legal Miscellany (Room A)

Criminology (Apply to Staff)

We also loan material from the non-law collections. The loan period is three weeks and the topics covered include history, biography, literature and topography.

For all of the above, users must sign the books out at the Enquiry Point and ensure that the books are returned by time and date stipulated.

Finally, we have a Lending Collection shelved in the lobby near the photocopying machines. This includes books on aspects of well-being, allyship, equality, diversity and inclusivity. These books may be taken away without the requirement to sign out. There is no set loan period.

Pupil Tours

We are pleased to offer a tour and an overview of Library resources and services to any pupils who would like to learn more about what the Library can offer them.

The tours will last approximately 30 minutes and cover the online and hard-copy resources available within the Library, as well as the various other services available to you. It will also involve a tour of the usually restricted basement store, where we hold some rather old editions of Archbold - apart from much else.

Tours may be arranged on a one-to-one basis, or if there are any fellow pupils at your chambers or whom you know elsewhere, we can offer small group sessions.

[Please email us](#) if you would like to attend and we can arrange a suitable time.

Clerk Tours

The Inner Temple Library is offering tours to any clerks who might want a quick overview of how to find materials in the Library. The tour should last approximately 20 minutes and will focus on how to interpret citations, use the catalogue and find what you need in the Library.

[Please email us](#) if you would like to attend and we can arrange a suitable time.

Feedback

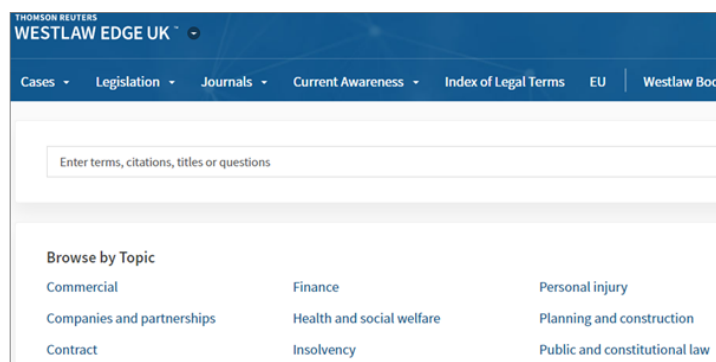
"I can speak on behalf of the junior clerks, the library itself is very easy to navigate and if ever in doubt of where to find something you can guarantee yourself and the other librarians will know exactly where to find it be that in the inner temple itself or they will be able to point you to which library will have the book in question. We can safely say the librarians have saved us on numerous occasions."

(Clerk)

Focus on Kemp on Westlaw

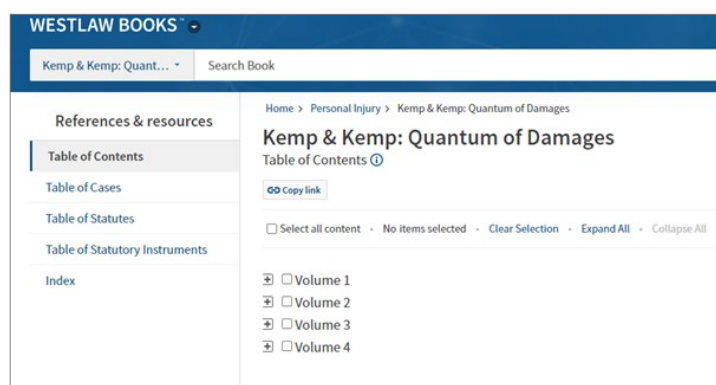
The Library's Westlaw subscription provides access to Kemp on Lawtel. This includes Kemp & Kemp commentary, over 10,000 Quantum Reports, and several practice tools which can simplify the completion of a schedule of damages.

To access this, click on the Westlaw icon on the Library databases homepage and then select Personal Injury from the Browse by Topic options.



From here you can gain access to various resources including Kemp and Kemp Quantum of Damages, Judicial College Guidelines (latest edition) and Facts & Figures (latest edition). There are also quantum reports which include those available on Lawtel and those in Kemp and Kemp.

To use Kemp and Kemp, you can search across the whole work by using the search box at the top of the screen. Alternatively, you can browse the volumes and drill down to the classification you are interested in. Medical illustrations are included with the classifications.



- ☐ Volume 1
 - ☐ Prelims
 - ☐ Commentary
- ☐ Volume 2
 - ☐ Commentary (continued)
- ☐ Volume 3
 - ☐ Guidelines for the Assessment of General Damages in Personal Injury Cases
 - ☐ Section A: Most Severe and Multiple Injuries
 - ☐ Section B: Brain Injuries
 - ☐ Clinical Introduction to Section B
 - ☐ B Table for Updating Awards for Inflation
 - ☐ B1 Cerebral Palsy
 - ☐ B2 Brain Damage: Very Severe
 - ☐ B3 Brain Damage: Moderately Severe

As with the hard copy, there are tables of cases, statutes and SIs and an index that that you can browse.

If you want to find quantum reports you can either use Advanced Search or browse by Kemp classification.

Quantum Reports

Advanced Search

Search all available Quantum Reports by injury classification, PSLA damages, award type, and more.

Browse by Kemp Classification

Browse all available Quantum Reports by Kemp Classification.

On the left of the screen you can also find Kemp Practice Tools. These include calculators (e.g. inflation, interest, special investment account rates) and an elapsed time calculator.

Special damage tools include the latest and previous editions of Actuarial Tables ('Ogden' Tables). The Forms option provides access to Kemp PI forms and precedents, MIB forms and agreements, and RTA Protocol Forms.

All of the above is available for users coming into the Library. If you need any help, please ask staff at the Enquiry Point.

Westlaw Training

The Library has organized a training session on Westlaw, to take place on 17 May. Attendees will earn Westlaw UK certification, which is a useful addition to a CV.

Anyone who is interested should register for the training session using the link below. The event is run by a Westlaw professional trainer via Microsoft Teams, and details of the training session will be sent to you once you have registered.

[Wednesday 17 May 2023 at 5.00pm](#)

BIALL Foreign and International Law Course

James Rowles, Senior Library Assistant, writes

On 10 February Lily Rowe and I attended the BIALL Foreign and International Law Course. This was a multi-session training day with talks by esteemed Librarians from IALS, SOAS, the University of Cardiff and our very own Deputy Librarian, Tracey Dennis.

The course was broad in coverage and rich in detail, as there were sessions on how to find legal materials for a variety of jurisdictions such as the USA and the EU, as well as various Commonwealth countries. In addition, there was a session on finding resources for the study of public international law, and an overview of the multi-jurisdictional materials available at SOAS Library, which are, it was interesting to note, accessible to anyone.

Attending this course was useful as it enabled us to broaden our knowledge base in areas that may not be among our specialisations, and thus provide a more thorough service to our users.

Social Context of the Law Reading Lists

The Inner Temple Social Context of the Law lectures provide an opportunity to take a deep dive into a topical issue with some fantastic speakers. We were able to support these events with additional reading lists in the form of micro-sites.

Is it Better to Review or Monitor Terror Laws? The UK and Australian Positions Compared.

Jonathan Hall KC and Dr James Renwick CSC SC.

Moderated by Rory Phillips KC.

November 2022

[Related reading and a link to the recording](#)



Global Responses to the Forcibly Displaced: Freedom of Movement or Control by Numbers? Whose Rights? Whose Duties?

Professor Gillian Triggs and The Hon. Alexander Downer AC. Moderated by Sir Geoffrey Nice KC.

February 2023

[Related reading and a link to the recording](#)



Behind the Scenes in the Basements

Or What You See is Not What You Get

James Rowles, Senior Library Assistant, writes

Have you ever been to the Inner Temple Library and asked for an obscure law report or an old edition of a textbook, and one of the librarians says, “We can get that for you in five minutes,” possibly mentioning something about a basement? Well, this is your sneak peek into where we go, and what is available.

First there is what is imaginatively named the ‘Basement Store’ which is three floors below the Library proper. This holds various collections but probably the most used are the old editions of textbooks. It is from here we will retrieve prior editions of (for example) *Blackstone’s Criminal Practice* and the *White Book*. These are rarely available online so this is a valuable resource to which Library users have access.



This is also where we keep our collection of Private and Local Acts. So if you are looking for that piece of legislation that brought the Bridgewater Canal into being, this is where it will be found. Always remember: what is visible on the shelves is just a small proportion of what is available from your Inn Library.

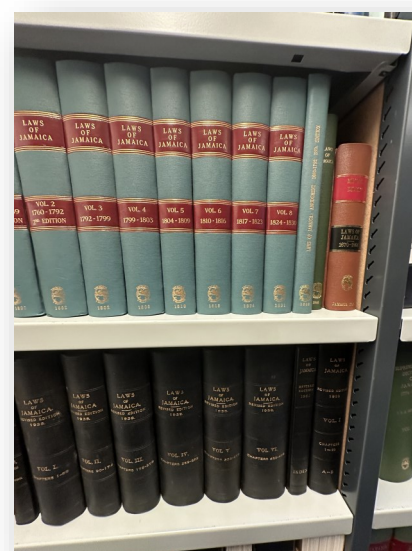
This is by no means the only basement where Library collections are held. Under Littleton Chambers, behind 3KBW, there are extensive collections held in yet more basement rooms. Again, we keep the imaginative room-naming scheme going, and these are named Rooms 1, 2, and 3.

There are multiple collections stored in these rooms, and below I will mention just some of the materials available.

We keep all the old editions of *Halsbury’s Laws of England* in the Littleton basement, so if you see a reference to the 4th edition of *Halsbury*, which will not be on the open shelves in the Library, don’t worry - we will be able to retrieve this for you.

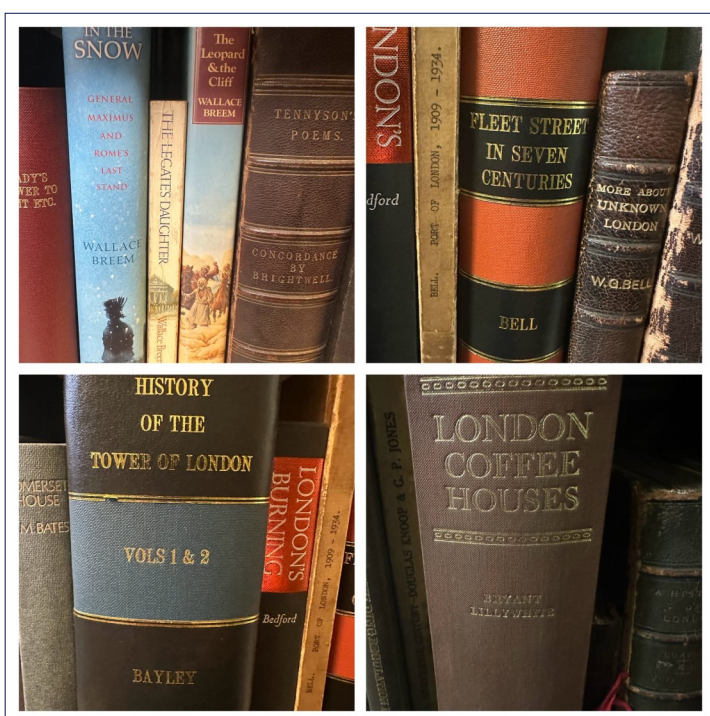


Also stored in the Littleton basement is repealed legislation from the Commonwealth jurisdictions that we specialise in. This is often extremely difficult, if not impossible, to find online. For example, one user recently needed to consult repealed Jamaican legislation from 1804, and with the wealth of historic material we store for this jurisdiction we were able to provide the volume from that year.



Basements (continued)

You may not be aware that the Library also holds a large collection of non-law books, which (as mentioned elsewhere in this Newsletter) may be borrowed. So, if you wish to read about the history of London coffee houses, or of Fleet Street, or of the Tower of London, we have titles in our London Collection that will be of interest. If you happen to prefer some Literature, maybe the poems of Tennyson or the *Eagle in the Snow* - an historical novel set in the waning days of the Roman Empire, written by former Inner Temple Librarian, Wallace Breem - all of these along with many more titles are available in our Literature Collection. Both collections, as well as those devoted to History, Genealogy & Heraldry, and Topography are held in the Littleton basement.



The big takeaway from this is that the Inner Temple Library collections are much more extensive than what is displayed on the open shelves, and much of the material is not available online - so please do ask if you cannot find what you are looking for. In this case, what you see (on the shelves) is truly not what you get.

Trip to University of Law in Birmingham

On 28 March the Deputy Librarian and the Library Manager from Gray's Inn Library visited the Birmingham branch of the University of Law. They were invited following a talk that they gave at the University's Bloomsbury campus last autumn.

The session in Birmingham focused on how the Inns of Court Libraries can help students who are not based in London, and it included a brief section on conducting legal research. Feedback from the session indicated that the students found it "informative and useful".

The session was live-streamed to the Leeds-based students as well, and it seems a great way to connect with members who cannot come into London that often.

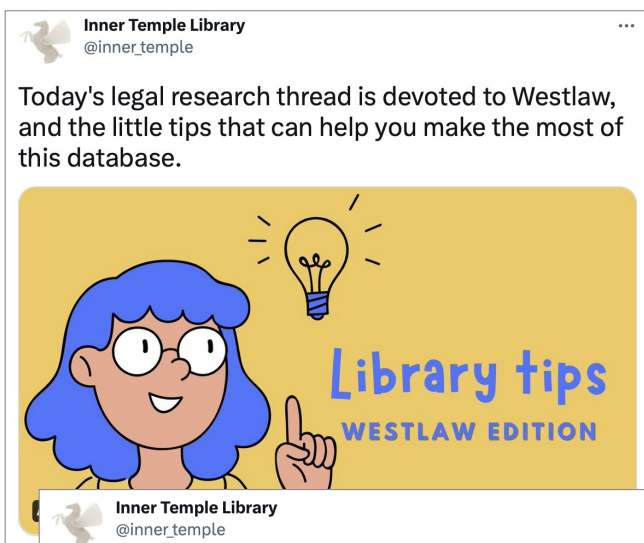
Andy and Tracey enjoyed the trip, and they have been asked to go back in September - which we trust is an indication that it was a worthwhile event for all concerned.



University of Law, Birmingham © Andy Horton

Social Media

In January we kicked off the new year with a number of legal research-related Twitter threads including [Library Tips - Westlaw edition](#), [10 Rules of Legal Research](#) and [Hierarchy of Citations](#).



Good thread, which we thoroughly endorse!

Inner Temple Library @inner_temple · Jan 20

Today's thread to help you brush up on your legal research skills, and wow those pupillage supervisors, is on the Hierarchy of Citations. Just like Game of Thrones but with more abbreviations.

[Show this thread](#)

HIERARCHY OF CITATIONS

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11 January was Heritage Treasures Day and we used this as a perfect excuse to regale you all with the history of the [Rysbrack Pegasus](#).

On 21 March we celebrated [World Poetry Day](#), exploring some of the Inner Temple's famous poets.



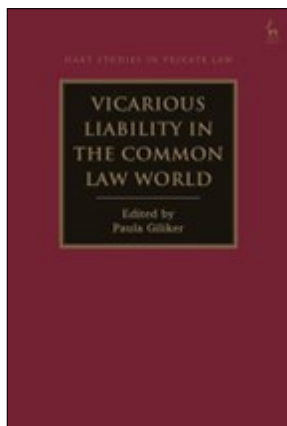
We are also posting a monthly round-up of (predominantly free) [law-related events](#).



And finally, if you are studying in the Library you are welcome to take a snap and post a picture tagging us. Please do not include other people without their permission.

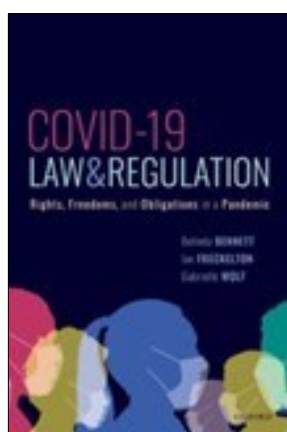


New Acquisitions



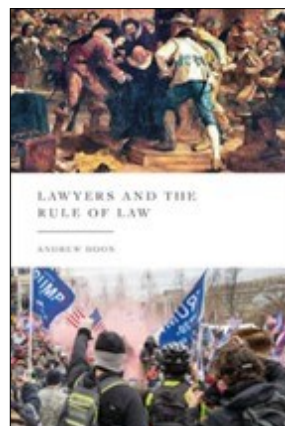
We begin with what will be a valuable addition to the Commonwealth textbooks collection. *Vicarious Liability in the Common Law World*, edited by Paula Giliker (Hart) is a comparative work examining approaches to this key aspect of tort law in seven jurisdictions: Canada, England and Wales, Australia,

Ireland, Singapore, Hong Kong and New Zealand. The contributors are all academics from universities within the respective jurisdictions.



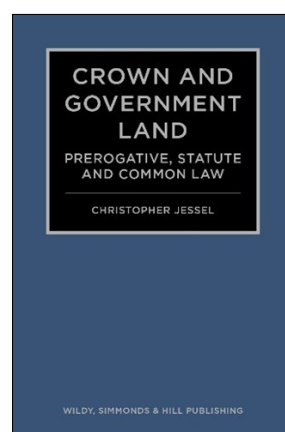
In *COVID-19, Law and Regulation: Rights, Freedoms and Obligations in a Pandemic* by Belinda Bennett, Ian Freckelton and Gabrielle Wolf (Oxford University Press) the authors examine notable legal challenges to public health measures enforced during the pandemic, such as

lockdown orders, curfews, and vaccine mandates. This work contextualizes the legal analysis by examining the broader social and economic dimensions of the risks posed by the pandemic. The authors consider the impact of COVID-19 on the operation of the criminal justice system, civil litigation concerning negligently caused deaths and business losses arising from contractual breaches, consumer protection litigation, disciplinary regulation of health practitioners, coronial inquests and other investigations of unexpected deaths, and occupational health and safety issues.



Andrew Boon's *Lawyers and the Rule of Law* (Hart) is divided into four parts, headed respectively 'Government', 'Practice', 'Profession' and 'Futures'. The first part considers lawyers' contribution to the growth of constitutionalism; the second, the formulation of roles and identities, and the

third the formation of values. The fourth part focuses on the challenges faced by lawyers and the rule of law in the past 50 years. Each part is illustrated by defining events, from the execution of Charles I, through the Nuremberg Trials, to the insurrection of January 2021 by supporters of Donald Trump.



Crown and Government Land: Prerogative, Statute and Common Law by Christopher Jessel (Wildy, Simmonds & Hill) begins by setting out the general principles governing the way the law applies to Crown land. It looks at the structure and constitution of the various authorities which manage

that land, outlines the principal types of ownership, and discusses Crown immunity in relation to Acts of Parliament. Jessel describes the rules governing particular types of property such as minerals, forestry, the foreshore and seabed, defence facilities and land of public interest including the royal parks and palaces. Other chapters examine the application of equitable rights and trusts to Crown land, the right to ownerless property, and the special rules relating to Crown conveyancing and property litigation.

New Acquisitions (continued)

Our thanks are due to the following who have presented items to the Library in recent months: Stephen Mason for *The Signature in Law*, Her Honour Nasreen Pearce for *A Practitioner's Guide to Probate Disputes*, Master Donald Cryan for *Alone in Japan: the reminiscences of an international jurist resident in Japan* by Thomas Baty; Roderick l'Anson Banks for *Lindley and Banks on Partnership*, 21st edition; Master Harry Woolf for his autobiography, *An Uncommon Lawyer*; Master Norman Doe for *Ralph Lever, c.1530-1585*; Master Philip Punwar for *Laws of the DIFC*, reissue; the National Law University Delhi for *The Constitution of India*, 12th edition; and the High Court of Delhi for another, illuminated edition of the Indian Constitution.

A list of [new law titles and editions](#) received from January to March is available.

Training Sessions at IALS

Lily Rowe, Graduate Trainee, writes

Since mid-March, I have been completing a training programme at IALS (Institute of Advanced Legal Studies) which is primarily aimed at new law librarians and introduces areas of law with which we may not yet be familiar. There are four sessions in total - EU Law, US Law, Foreign Law, and Public International Law - which cover the general background of the area of law in question, and the vast number and types of resources that can be used when researching them. The librarians hosting the sessions have been second to none, their familiarity with each area of law and the scope of knowledge regarding printed and digital resources being invaluable.

Feedback

"...To all new Bar students- you have a wonderful - exciting resource waiting for you in the Inner Temple Library. It needs no introduction for anybody else, since they would have discovered its treasures already!"

"Just about every legal resource of any significance is available, and whilst it is modern and up to date with the massive number of on-line collections and research journals that it houses, its hard copy treasured tomes and academic ambience which continue to float many people's boats including mine are very much in evidence.

"On a practical note Inner Temple Library participates in weekend opening in rotation with the other Inn's libraries and is conveniently close to The Royal Courts of Justice not to mention the beautiful Inner Temple Gardens, and the Thames itself. Inner Temple Library is simply first class for study and research..."

"...There is nothing the librarians do not know in order to help and advise, and they are truly the jewel in the library's crown. I have long thought libraries are special places. They are like music- markers of our humanity and of civilisation, and definitely of a profession. The Library is vibrant, practical, functional and stunning..."

(Kathryn, Bar Student)

Visit to Allen&Overy

Lily Rowe, Graduate Trainee, writes

In April, I was lucky enough to have a tour of the Library and Research spaces at Allen&Overy, and to meet members from the team to learn about their roles in the department. The L&R department has two main types of library space: the main library (it holds printed resources predominantly related to the firm's areas of expertise, but which are not too dissimilar to those held at the Inner Temple Library), and what they call 'satellite' libraries (smaller, subject-specific collections tailored, and placed adjacent, to specific departments for ease of access). Alongside these physical collections, there is also a huge number of online resources available through their intranet, again both general in nature and divided according to the firm's various departments. The L&R team at Allen&Overy's London office is at the core of the firm's global provision of information and knowledge, and my visit to them was extremely insightful and a pleasure.

Margaret Clay

Master Sally Smith writes

On 28 March a retirement party was held in the drawing room for Margaret Clay, in celebration of her service to the Inn as Librarian and Keeper of Manuscripts from 1991 until July 2020. The delay in holding this, attributable to the Library's relocation during Project Pegasus, its homecoming to the Inn and the COVID-19 pandemic, in no way detracted from the warmth of the occasion.

During Margaret's leadership, the Library was revolutionised without losing its traditional charms. Its paper collections are still exceptional, as is its manuscript collection, but in addition we were, in 1996, the first Inn Library to provide general online internet access for barristers. Since then the Library has developed web-based subscription services, its own website with its legal gateway AccessToLaw, its quarterly Newsletter and its Current Awareness blog. For these the Library has won a number of prestigious awards, culminating in a very special honour for Margaret herself as BIALL Law Librarian of the Year in 2017 for her "significant contribution to the legal information world".

Characteristically modest, Margaret did not want a speech at her party, and so instead the Treasurer presented her with a book containing thanks and comments from all the many Library users who owe her such a debt of gratitude. In addition many members of the Inn made contributions to a retirement present.

Margaret served the Library with love and dedication and her legacy will continue in every book and service the Library provides.

The party was a wonderful opportunity for us to wish Margaret a very happy retirement.



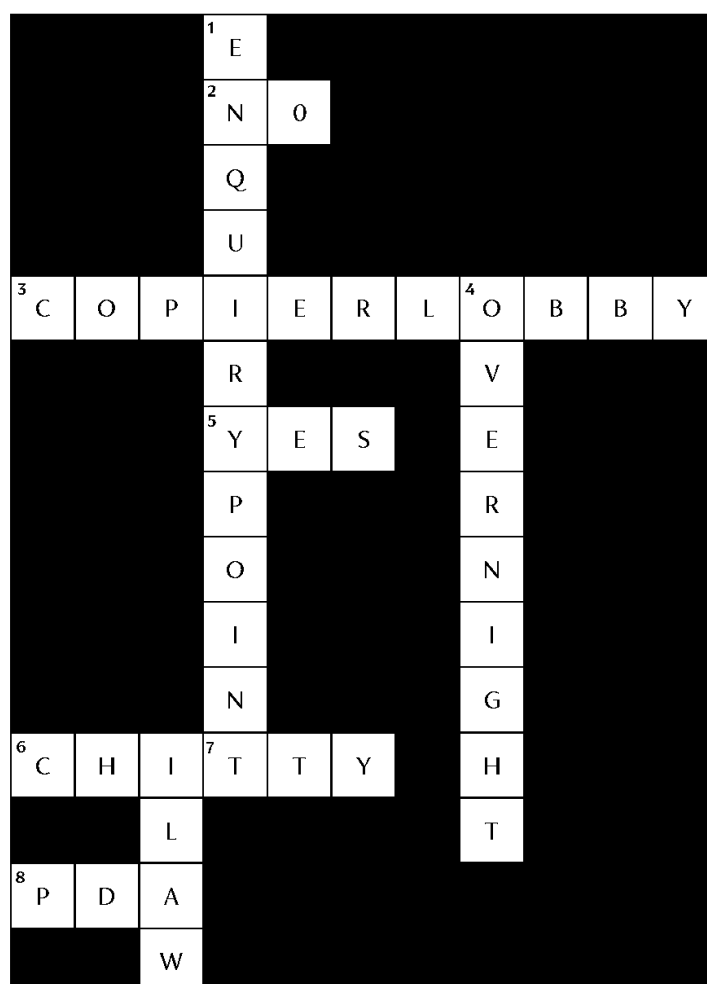
*Margaret Clay,
right, with The
Princess Royal
on Grand Day
2011*

Feedback

“The new Inner Temple library provides a fantastic place to research, study and importantly think. Rob and the librarians offer superb expertise for any research queries. It remains in my view the pre-eminent law library in England.”

(Alan, Library User)

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