



WELCOME!

Renaë Satterley, Librarian

Welcome to the latest Middle Temple Library newsletter.

In July I was approached by a Bencher who asked what resources could be made available to junior tenants working outside of London who would like to move away from “purely publicly-funded work” and into more specialist subject areas such as Court of Protection work, tax tribunal work and commercial work. After some discussion we decided to run a six month trial providing Middle Temple barristers under ten years call free access to our document delivery service for judicial work. They are obliged to respect copyright regulations with their requests, and if the trial proves a success we will revise the service to make it financially viable for all circuiteers.

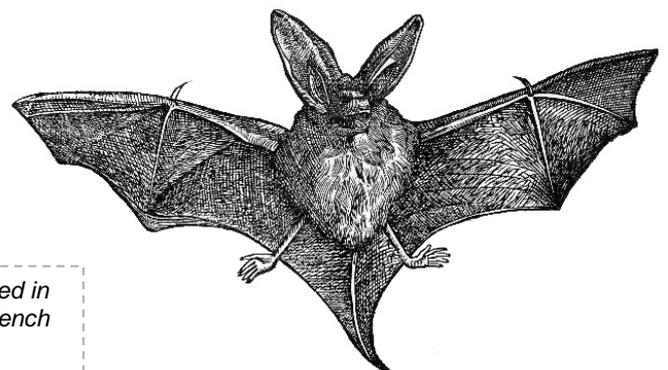
At the beginning of the year we introduced a ‘rare book of the month’ feature on our website. Since the last newsletter we have featured Florián de Ocampo’s *Los çinco libros primeros dela cronica general de España*; Claude Clement’s *Musei, siue bibliothecae tam privatae, quàm publicae exstructio, instructio, cura, usus*, 1635; and Joachim of Fiore and Anselmus, Bishop of Marsico, *Vaticinia, siue prophetiæ Abbatis Joachimi, & Anselmi episcopi Marsicani*, 1589. In May we featured Gabriel Powel’s *De adiaphoris theses theologicæ ac scholasticæ*, 1606. This book was scanned and transformed into an OCR text (i.e. making it searchable) by Rescribe Ltd. They are working on a project to improve the searchability of scanned early modern works printed in Latin, which currently do not translate well into searchable texts.

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In July and August we gave tours to student librarians from the University of Mississippi, and to librarians from City University. These tours allow us to exchange ideas with colleagues from other libraries, and to provide advice on law librarianship to those who are new to, or unfamiliar with the profession.

Starting in late September we will run a short survey asking for feedback on our proposals to introduce a classification system. Classification will enable us to shelve books by subject, rather than by author, which will make retrieval and browsing easier. Please do fill in the survey, which can be found at: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/JR6LCW2>



16th Century woodcut print of a bat. Published in 'Histoire de la nature des oyseaux' by the French naturalist Pierre Belon (1555).

LEGAL RESEARCH TRAINING

Adam Woellhaf, Training & Development Librarian

This Autumn and Winter, we are running a number of legal research training sessions.

We are offering specialist sessions designed for students to help bridge the gap between academic and practical legal research. These **Introduction to Practical Legal Research** sessions are taking place at the following times, and last approximately 1 hour:

Tuesday 11th October, 6pm **Fully booked**

Monday 17th October, 11am

Wednesday 19th October, 3pm

Book now to reserve your place (see below).

Other sessions running include these CPD accredited training courses:

Advanced Electronic Searching 1 CPD point

Monday 17th October, 6pm

Monday 28th November, 6pm

Master the art of searching subscription legal databases, familiarise yourself with Boolean logic and learn how to narrow and broaden your search results using connectors, fields and language.

Navigating the Free Legal Web 1 CPD point

Tuesday 13th December, 6pm

Highlights some of the best and most useful free legal resources on the internet. Different practice areas will be looked at, along with foreign and international resources and different legal materials, from legislation to case reports.

Both sessions last approximately 1 hour, and refreshments will be provided.

Whether you're a student, pupil, new or experienced practitioner, these sessions offer an excellent opportunity to refresh and enhance key skills amongst colleagues.

To reserve your space on any of these sessions, ask at the library enquiry desk or contact us by email (library@middletemple.org.uk) or telephone (020 7427 4830).

If you are unable to attend a training session, we are happy to offer tailored sessions to meet the needs of your chamber's practice areas and at times suitable for you and your colleagues. If you are interested in bespoke legal research training, please contact the Training & Development Librarian - a.woellhaf@middletemple.org.uk



BPTC STUDENTS & LIBRARY TOURS

Adam Woellhaf, Training & Development Librarian

The library has many resources which are appropriate for students studying for their BPTC.

As well as offering tours in September, you can sign up in October too:

Mon 3 rd Oct	11am, 6pm
Tue 4 th Oct	3pm, 6pm
Wed 5 th Oct	11am, 6pm
Thu 6 th Oct	11am, 3pm
Fri 7 th Oct	11am, 3pm

Please get in touch with us to book your place. If you are unable to attend any of the dates and times above, please do contact us and we can arrange something more suitable. All attendees will be entered into a prize draw for your choice of a bottle of champagne or a gift certificate.

The library offers an attractive space for student members to study throughout their BPTC – use us now and it will give you a very useful head-start at the very beginning of your career.

“At his best, man is the noblest of all animals; separated from law and justice he is the worst.”
- Aristotle

A DAY MARSHALLING

Lenka Geidt, Senior Library Assistant

In July I was given the opportunity to marshal at the Central Criminal Court, also known as The Old Bailey, with His Honour Judge Timothy Pontius. He is a Master of the Bench at Middle Temple and has been actively involved with Middle Temple Advocacy for over 15 years.

My day started at 9:30am with finding the right entrance to the court. It is not as straight forward as it might seem because there is more than one entrance to the current building of the court, which was opened in 1907. Unfortunately, similar to Middle Temple, the building was heavily bombed in 1941 and had to be rebuilt later. A modern extension was added in 1972 and the distinction between these two parts becomes very apparent as you make your way through the building.



Shortly after my arrival, I realised that I was not the only person who would marshal with the same Judge on that day. I met a law student who was doing her marshalling experience for the whole week. We were both taken to the Judge's office, where His Honour Timothy Pontius told us very briefly something about the cases we were going to attend while we were listening to classical music and admiring paintings on his walls, on one of which he was the main figure.

The first case, dealing with sexual assault and kidnapping, was very interesting in its nature. It was not one of the big cases but more of a case that makes you think very deeply about the law itself, the boundaries it sets, as well as the importance of the context of events. We were sat in one of the court rooms located in the 1970s extension with air conditioning, very comfortable seats and good acoustics.



An Old Bailey trial, circa 1808

We could witness also how far the Old Bailey has come in terms of modern technology. Almost no paper files were used and a problem with a missing person at court was solved by his presence via a video link.

In the afternoon we moved to the other, older part of the court that looked nicer, but the court room was not as well equipped as the one in the morning. During this case hearing a jury was present, which gave us the opportunity to observe the differences and see how the barristers present the case in a sometimes very explanatory way. A very thought-provoking question arose about possession of old weapons that could possibly be deemed as antique.

We finished at around 16:30 leaving behind the magnificent murals by the artist Gerald Moira depicting, among other things, the figures of Art, Learning, Labour and Truth that might well symbolise what we discovered about the work of barristers. It was a great experience that helped me personally to gain a deeper understanding of barristers' work and their world in court.

You can read historic case proceedings from the Old Bailey from the years 1674-1913 freely online here: <https://www.oldbaileyonline.org/>

The proceedings of 197,745 criminal trials are available to search and read, comprising one of the largest body of texts detailing the lives of non-elite people.

A TRIP TO THE BINDERY

Patrick Ghirardello, Library Assistant

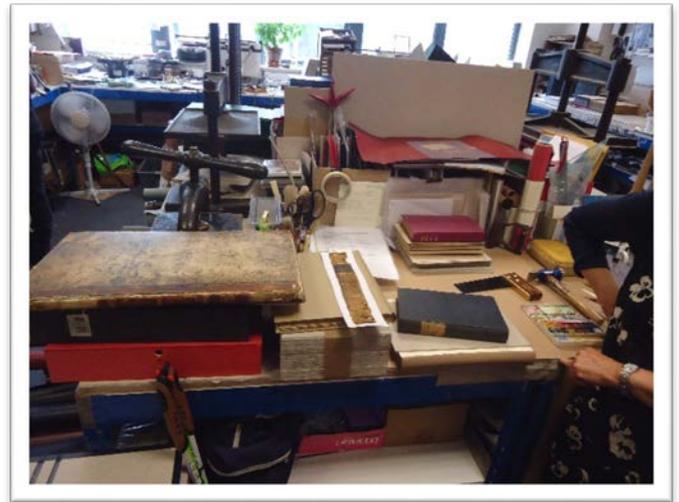
Early in August the Senior Library Assistant, Lenka Geidt and I took a trip to Maltby's the Bookbinders. Maltby's is a small family-owned business which was established in 1834, and became sister company to Green Street Bindery in 2002, with the two operating from the same workshop in Oxford. Maltby's specialises in the production and restoration of single copies or small batches, whereas Green Street is a mechanical bindery which produces runs in the hundreds or thousands.

The tour began with a look at some of the machinery used in both operations; Green Street's industrial binding machines are smaller but more numerous and varied than other similarly-scaled competitors, giving them a great deal of flexibility as the setup time for a printing run is greatly reduced. On the other hand Maltby's machinery is almost all hand-powered, with some being built in the early 19th century. Here we saw the various kinds stitching methods used to accommodate the different sizes and constructions of the loose parts; from kettle-stitched law reports to a stab-stitched Bus and Coach Preservation Monthly omnibus.



Lion or antelope skin?

We then went upstairs to the smaller office where most of Maltby's work is performed, starting with a look at some of the materials that are most frequently used. When primarily working with hard binding methods, there of course needs to be a wide selection of cloth and leather. The appropriate material is then run through glue covered rollers and passed onto the next station where hand cut boards are placed for the spine and front and back covers.



Tools of the binder's trade

The corners of the material are then cut away and the excess folded over - this is all performed freehand, and the fast and precise results are testament to years of experience. The textblock is then attached to endpapers and glued to the boards, often with ornate marbled papers, made in small runs by individuals working from home or hobbyists.

Then comes the collection of finishing tools, which is one of the largest in the country. Foil blocking can be used with printing blocks, sheets of gold or silver foil and electric current, or hundreds of handheld tools which are heated over a flame and then used to emboss or foil stamp shapes, lines or letters into the board. We were told that many of these tools had been around for decades, and a bookbinder from a hundred years ago or more could walk straight in and get to work.

Finally we saw the precise and careful restoration work on volumes that appeared irreparable, and the colour-matching of rebuilt pages and boards so that they are almost indistinguishable from the original.

As libraries are forced to adapt to an increasingly paperless world it is greatly encouraging to see a small book business thriving, through a combination of expertise, flexibility and finding niche sources of work. Maltby's is relied upon to deliver bound theses at a days' notice, preserve personal collections, create elaborate bespoke 'Thank you' gifts in return for donations to educational institutes, and cover books in curtains or antelope skin which someone said was a lion, but very likely wasn't.

OLD CASE, ODD REFERENCE

Elizabeth Alderson, Administrative & Ecclesiastical Librarian

....or, why you need a librarian as well as a computer!

A clerk comes in with a reference as follows:

Simson v Harcourt Mich 18 G 2 CB

The clerk has started by believing "Mich" means *Michigan Reports*, but can't find the case in the printed reports or online, so asks for help. Her email instructions say that the case was cited in "Terms Reports" by Puller.

A bit of educated guesswork from library staff suggests that "18 G 2" stands for "18 Geo II" or the 18th year of the reign of George II, so we are looking for an 18th-century case. A bit of mathematics and we know the year is 1745. A flash of inspiration suggests that "Mich" is short for Michaelmas term.

"18 Geo II" suggests that we are looking for an Act of Parliament or some matter that came before Parliament in 1745, so maybe "CB" actually should be C 8 – ie Chap 8. We look in *Statutes At Large* but this is a dead end.

We chase "Simson v Harcourt" through the printed indexes to the *English Reports*, and several nominate reports covering 1745, but can't find a trace.

We try searching HeinONLINE as a last hope, because this database indexes the *English Reports*. This brings up a publication entitled *The Practice in Courts of Justice ...* by Conway Robinson, and to a footnote on page 518, which states that the case of "Simpson v Hartopp" was cited by a Justice Buller in 1792 as "Simson v Harcourt".

We find "Simpson v Hartopp" in the *English Reports* and in *Willes Common Pleas*, and the subject of the case matches what the clerk was told.

Our work is done!

The Free Access to Law Movement (FALM), <http://www.fatlm.org/>, is an international movement and organization committed to providing free online access to legal information such as case law, legislation, treaties, law reform proposals and legal scholarship. The movement began in 1992 at Cornell Law School, and now has over 50 members, including BAILII.

FREE LEGAL WEB GATEWAYS

Adam Woellhaf, Training & Development Librarian

Below I will highlight some gateways available on the free web that offer links to excellent legal resources suitable for practitioners.

- AccessToLaw <https://www.accesstolaw.com/>

Created by our colleagues at Inner Temple Library, it provides annotated links to over 1300 free legal websites from around the world, with an emphasis on material relevant to practitioners.

- Eagle-I <http://193.62.18.232/dbtw-wpd/textbase/searchEI.htm>

This site is maintained and updated by librarians at the Institute of Advanced Legal Studies, and provides links to thousands of authoritative legal websites.

- OpenDOAR <http://www.opendoar.org/>

This gateway is an authoritative directory of open access repositories. Although it is primarily academic and not exclusively law-related, there is lots of material here which is relevant to the legal practitioner.

- Links for Lawyers <http://www.middletemple.org.uk/library-and-archive/library/electronic-resources/links-for-lawyers>

Created by Middle Temple Library staff, we have selected free legal websites that are a useful for practitioners engaging in electronic legal research.

If you need any guidance on finding high quality legal information on the web then you are welcome to reserve a place on our forthcoming CPD-accredited training session, 'Navigating the Free Legal Web', on the 13th December at 6pm. The session will demonstrate how to effectively search these gateways (and more), as well as highlighting how to find other primary and secondary legal material freely online.

LIBRARY EXHIBITION

Lenka Geidt, Senior Library Assistant

As part of our new exhibition, we would like to uncover Prague during the reign of Rudolf II, Holy Roman Emperor, King of Bohemia and Hungary, and one of the most interesting European rulers of the 16th and 17th centuries. It was Rudolf who chose the ancient capital of Bohemia as his residence. Prague at that time became one of the most fascinating centres of spiritual life and Rudolf's court attracted many famous scholars and humanists from across Europe.



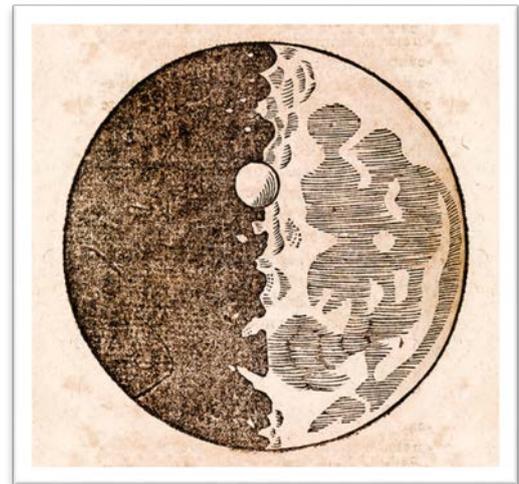
Title page from Rudolphum II, roman imperatorum (1707), by Immanuel Weber

The King, even though not a successful monarch from the political point of view, was a great Maecenas, the protector of arts and sciences, who amassed a collection of artistic treasures unrivalled in that lavish age. He was also a notorious patron of the occult arts. His passion for this field, or more precisely obsession, bordered on madness. Rudolf II has been remembered, above all, for his alchemy, astrology, Cabala and old-fashioned superstition.



Rudolf II, portrait by Joseph Heintz (1594)

At his court were all kinds of interesting people, from famous astronomers, whose work significantly contributed to the development of science, to magicians with a dubious reputation who promised to produce gold but did not succeed. Rudolf II had his own excellent personal physicians. Their main task was, of course, to care for Rudolf's health. However, they were also involved in astronomy, alchemy and the occult arts.

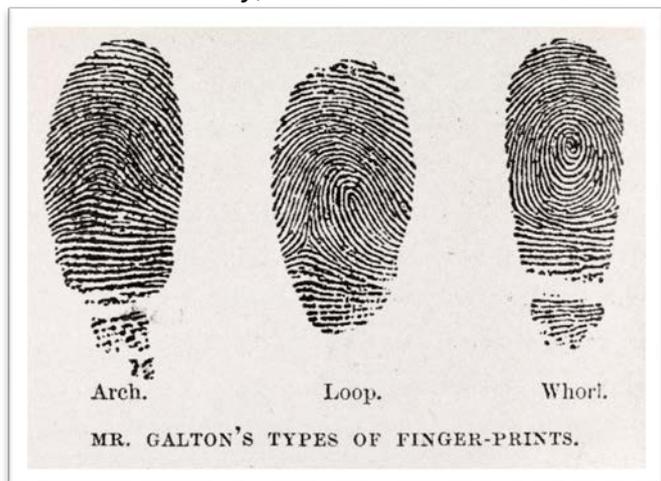


Sketch of the Moon made in 1610 by the Italian physicist, mathematician and astronomer Galileo Galilei (1564-1642).

Some of the books written by these people found their way into our collection mostly thanks to Robert Ashley, the founder of the library. You now have a unique opportunity to see them and find out more about that period as well as discover the fascinating stories of Rudolf's scientists. We hope you enjoy it!

CAPITAL PUNISHMENT COLLECTION

Bernadette Keeley, Librarian UK & US Collections



19th century artwork showing three fingerprint types

The Capital Punishment collection is located at Bay 195 on the third floor of the library. It was established to develop a record of material on the history of capital punishment and the death penalty debate. The material includes generous donations from the private libraries of Master Blom-Cooper, Professor Anthony Amsterdam and Professor Roger Hood. Documents have also been donated by Amicus, Amnesty International, Reprieve and the Illinois-based Center on Wrongful Convictions.

The collection mainly covers the death penalty in the US but also includes reports kindly donated by the Death Penalty Project relating to countries in the Caribbean and South East Asia. The 1866 Parliamentary reports on Capital Punishment and The Royal Commission Minutes of Evidence on Capital Punishment 1949-1951 are included in the collection. Titles recently added to the collection include the following:

CONLEY, Robin- *Confronting the Death Penalty: How language influences jurors in capital cases*

HOOD, Roger and HOYLE, Carolyn- *The Death Penalty: a worldwide perspective*

PERLIN, Michael- *Mental Disability and the Death Penalty*

STEVENSON, Bryan- *Just Mercy: a story of justice and redemption*

The collection is available for use both in the library and for short loan periods to members and researchers.

NEW ACQUISITIONS & DONATIONS

Bernadette Keeley, Librarian UK & US Collections

CONLEY, R- *Confronting the death penalty*

CONWAY, H- *The law and the dead*

EDWARDS, A- *Criminal costs*

VIRGO- *Principles of equity and trusts*

Donations to the library: presented by author unless otherwise stated

CANNON, M- *Professional indemnity insurance*

GARNHAM, N- *The Inquest book*

GLYNN, S- *Asbestos claims: law, practice and procedure*

HART, A. R- *A history of the Bar and Inn of Court of Northern Ireland* (donated by Master Barbara Calvert)

INGPEN, A R (editor)- *Master Worsley's book on the history and constitution of the Honourable Society of the Middle Temple* (donated by Master Barbara Calvert)

KEOWN, J- *Bioethics and the human goods*

LUBA, J- *Housing allocations and homelessness*

MORCOM, C- *The modern law of trade marks*

MYNORS, C- *Changing churches*

RAGIMOV, I- *The philosophy of crime and punishment*

RESTANO, J- *Justice so requiring: The emergence and development of a legal system in Gibraltar* (donated by Anthony Dudley Chief Justice of Gibraltar)

(prepared by Master Bruce WILLIAMSON)

Catalogue of paintings and engravings in the possession of the Honourable Society of the Middle Temple (donated by Master Barbara Calvert)

WIRTH, D- *Environmental law and policy*

"Books constitute capital. A library book lasts as long as a house, for hundreds of years. It is not, then, an article of mere consumption but fairly of capital, and often in the case of professional men, setting out in life, it is their only capital."

-Thomas Jefferson, 1821

EU ASYLUM LAW RESOURCES

Adam Woellhaf, Training & Development Librarian

Below I will highlight two websites which provide useful information regarding EU asylum law.

The European Database of Asylum Law (EDAL) is a free online database containing case law from 19 EU Member States interpreting refugee and asylum law, as well as decisions from the CJEU and ECtHR. Relevant case law is summarised in English and the Member State's national language with links to the full text of the original judgment provided where available:

<http://www.asylumlawdatabase.eu/en>

The Asylum Information Database (AIDA) is compiled by the European Council on Refugees and Exiles (ECRE) and contains information on asylum issues in 20 countries (17 EU countries and 3 non-EU countries). Included are AIDA Legal Briefings which address key issues in EU asylum law and policy:

<http://www.asylumineurope.org/>

NEW EU ACQUISITIONS

Louise James, Cataloguer & EU Librarian

BARENTS, René, Directory of EU case law on state aids – 2nd ed.

BARENTS, René, Remedies and procedures before the EU courts

BARNARD, Catherine, The substantive law of the EU : the four freedoms – 5th ed.

BELLAMY, Christopher, Materials on European Union law of competition

CHORUS, Jeroen, Introduction to Dutch law – 5th ed.

DIETL, Clara-Erika, Dictionary of Legal, Commercial and Political Terms Vol. 1: English German – 7th ed.

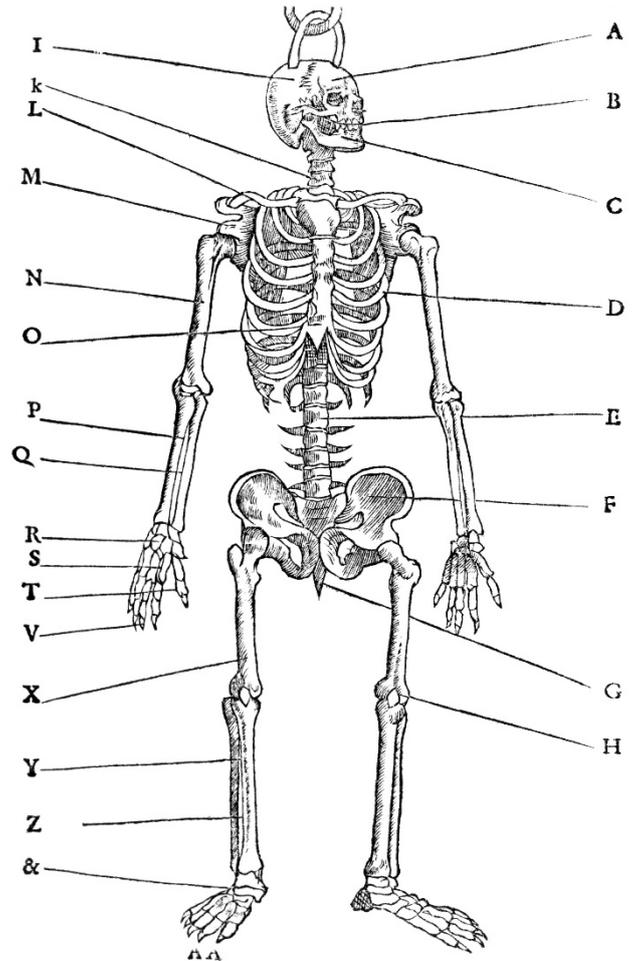
HAILBRONNER, Kay, EU immigration and asylum law: a commentary – 2nd ed.

JESSEN, Henning, EU maritime transport law

KOVAC, Mitja, Economic evidence in EU competition law

O'MALLEY, Thomas, Sentencing Law and Practice - 3rd ed.

WEATHERILL, Stephen, Cases and materials on EU law – 12th ed.



16th Century woodcut print of a human skeleton. Published in 'Histoire de la nature des oyseaux' by the French naturalist Pierre Belon (1555).

