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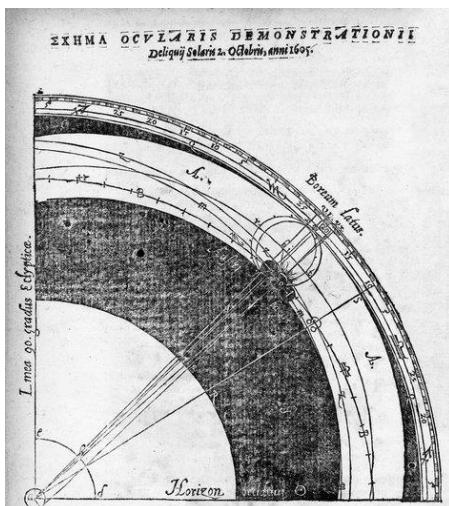
*Renae Satterley, Librarian*

Welcome to the latest Middle Temple Library newsletter.

You will have noticed a big change in the Library: in August we re-arranged all of the books so that they are now shelved by subject, rather than by author/title. This was a big project, which involved moving all of the UK, US, International and EU textbooks and loose-leaves, and will make it much easier to find materials on a given subject. The books' new classmarks are reflected in the Library catalogue, guides are available in the Library to help you find books, and staff are of course always on hand to assist as well. Further information about the project can be found later in the newsletter.

In August we welcomed Dr. Steffan Bauer and Beth Hume of the University of York to the Library. Steffan and Beth were the co-curators of the latest Library exhibition- The Art of Disagreeing Badly: Religious Dispute in Early Modern Europe. They gave a talk on the exhibition which was chaired by Giles Mandelbrote, Librarian at Lambeth Palace Library. The exhibition runs from July to September and has a dedicated website:

<https://social.shorthand.com/DisagreeBadly/ugcGzd11YYj/exhibition-ii-middle-temple-library>. The next Library exhibition will be on bindings and their history.



Woodcut depiction of the solar eclipse of 2 October 1605.

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There are a number of training sessions organized for the remainder of the year, and we held our first ever Open Evening on 3 October. Full details about these events are available below.

In July we welcomed Annabelle Michael to the team. Annabelle is our new Library Assistant (Graduate Trainee) and will be with us until July 2018.

## LIBRARY OPEN EVENING

*Adam Woellhaf, Training & Development Librarian*

On the evening of 3 October, the Library hosted an Open Evening to welcome all new Members and BPTC students.

This was an informal opportunity for new Members to be introduced to the Library and the services we have to offer. It was also an opportunity for new Members to meet one another, as well as to get to know those already established in their careers.

We also offered Library tours, so that Members could learn more about the Library's history.

If you were not able to make this event, don't worry – we hope to offer similar events in the New Year.

## LEGAL RESEARCH TRAINING

*Adam Woellhaf, Training & Development Librarian*

The Library has a number of legal research training sessions coming up that members of all Inns of Court are welcome to attend. All sessions are free and last approximately 60 minutes.

### Essentials of Practical Legal Research

Designed for students, these sessions cover the essentials of practical legal research, highlight Middle Temple Library's resources, and compare print with electronic sources. They are also an excellent opportunity for experienced practitioners to review key skills.

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October, 6pm

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October, 6pm

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> October, 6pm

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October, 6pm

### Advanced Electronic Searching

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.

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November, 6pm

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November, 6pm

### Navigating the Free Legal Web

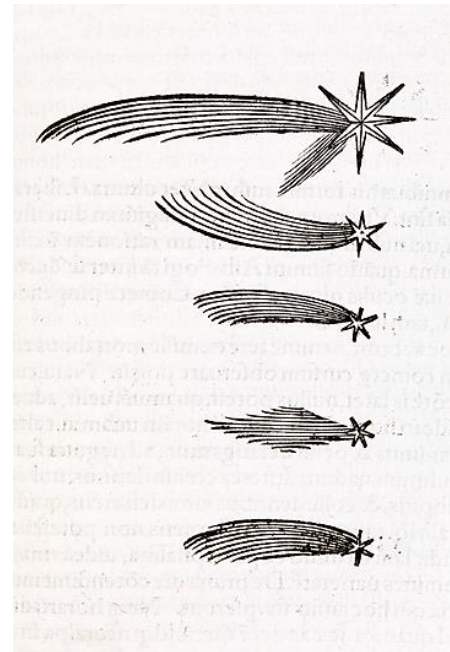
Highlights some of the best and most useful free legal resources on the internet. Different practice areas will be looked at, along with foreign and international resources and different legal materials, from legislation to case reports.

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November, 6pm

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December, 6pm

If you would like to book a place on any of these sessions, please contact the Library at [library@middletemple.org.uk](mailto:library@middletemple.org.uk) or 020 7427 4830 or by speaking to a members of Library staff. We look forward to seeing you there!

*If you are unable to attend these sessions, get in touch with us to arrange a one-to-one. We can also organise sessions to be delivered in Chambers and watch this space for opportunities for remote training*  
[library@middletemple.org.uk](mailto:library@middletemple.org.uk)



*A 16<sup>th</sup> century woodcut from the Library's rare books collection illustrating the appearance of comets, an area of extensive research at the time.*

Below are some comments from attendees of previous legal research training sessions run by Middle Temple Library:

'Absolutely brilliant – very informative and excellent, experienced and engaged speaker. Thank you so much!'

'Very good course. Lots of info / websites not previously heard of.'

'This was just a beginning but I'm really motivated and will practice what I learnt today.'

'Good refresher but also learned a lot.'

'Excellent presentation. No improvement required.'

'Very clear, concise and helpful. Thank you!'

'A hugely useful course.'

**All sessions qualify under the new CPD rules' learning objectives as Legal Knowledge and Skills** <https://tinyurl.com/zjfcbnl>

## SHELF CHECK

*Harpreet Dhillon, Assistant Librarian*

If you are a regular user of Middle Temple Library and always head for that blue book you know to be on the second shelf, placed in order of its author's last name, you will have noticed recently that your book has moved, as have several others. The reason for this move is that over summer the library team finished the task of classifying and moving all the library's textbooks in order to, well, put them in order.

Up until recently Library users would have found titles shelved alphabetically, using the first three letters of the author name (or title in the absence of an author name). The system has worked fine as it is after all a system of organisation. Its only real major drawback was that if there were two titles on the same subject, for example one by the author Allen and another by the author Williams, these books would be found bays apart, which makes for exhausting serendipitous searching.

Finding what you *know* you want would be fairly easy with our old system of organisation, but now in addition our new system aims to help you also find what you did *not* know you wanted. Arguably, you could still do that with the old system, but it would involve trawling through the shelves of every bay, whereas now you can limit your search to within the confines of the subject relevant to your interest, saving a substantial amount of search time.

Users of Middle Temple Library will now find our main textbook collection organised by subject using the Moys Classification Scheme, a system derived and adapted from the Library of Congress's K schedule which deals with law. The collection at Middle Temple is divided first into letters and then letter/number combinations, borrowing from both Library of Congress and Dewey Decimal Classification schemes.

There's an element of alphabetical organisation still present in the way the K categories are ordered, K titles dealing with reference materials, **KA** with jurisprudence, **KB** with comparative law, **KC** with international, **KD** with religious legal systems, **KE** with ancient and medieval law, **KL** with general common law, **KM** with public common law, and **KN** with private common law, with **KV** and **KW** dealing with titles on Europe and the EU. Our US titles are classified using the same K to KN categories, with the addition of the prefix **US**.

Once you've navigated your way through the jurisdictions, you'll find that titles are organised into subjects, beginning with the general area of a subject and moving towards the specific. It means the next time someone comes to the desk and asks for Bennion and Stroud, we don't have to point in opposite directions indicating authors with names beginning with B, and names beginning with S. A search on the online catalogue will show that these authors are now sitting close together due to their classmarks **KL 35.1 BEN** (general common law, **interpretation and legislation, Bennion**) and **KL 41 STR** (general common law, **judicial definitions, Stroud**).

The users of the library have been using the new scheme for almost two months now and though it's noticeable from the vantage point of the reference desk that there's an initial surprise at the rearrangement, it seems that most of our users are embracing the change, having witnessed at least on one occasion the removal of a line of books in a barrister bear-hug (as much as we enjoy and admire this literal embracing of the re-arrangement, for health and safety reasons we also strongly advise against it).

The most welcome and expected result of the re-order we've seen is the amount of increased shelving, which indicates that many more items are being removed from the shelves and being used. This is good news for those sometimes overlooked but valuable resources. Our loose-leafs which used to be shelved together are now integrated into the main collection, and seeing a lot more legal action than they used to. The Library's aim to provide better access to the main collection looks like a definite success.

What this means going forward is not only a collection that should provide better access through logical segmentation, but also provide the Library staff with a sense of where the collection can improve, and what parts of it are not as useful to our users. To those who have been using the old system for a long time and find the change jarring, you will once again commit to memory where your useful blue book sits, but hopefully old and new users will find subject access on the shelves a quicker way to get the information they want.

*The Moys classification scheme for law was designed by Betty Moys (1928-2002) and was first published in 1968*

## KNOLE HOUSE & LGBTQ LEGAL RIGHTS

Adam Woellhaf, Training & Development Librarian

In August, Middle Temple librarians and our colleagues from the Archive visited Knole near Sevenoaks in Kent. Knole consists of Knole House, which dates from the late 15<sup>th</sup> century, and the 1000-acre Knole Park, famed for its wild deer and impressive woodland. The house itself, with 365 rooms, is one the largest in England.

The National Trust now owns and takes care of most of the house, although the vast majority of the park still belongs to the Sackville family, who have resided at Knole since 1566. Sackville descendants include Vita Sackville-West, probably now most famous for her garden at Sissinghurst and for being a lover of Virginia Woolf. This is one of the reasons why Knole House forms part of a programme put together by the National Trust which explores the LGBTQ history of places under their care and management. The history of the Sackville family is said to have inspired Woolf's gender-bending novel *Orlando*, and Vita herself was the inspiration behind the eponymous protagonist.



Knole House and Park

Homosexual acts between men were decriminalised in Northern Ireland with the Homosexual Offences (Northern Ireland) Order 1982. The Order was implemented as a consequence of *Dudgeon v. United Kingdom* (1981) (<http://hudoc.echr.coe.int/eng/?i=001-57472>), a case heard in the European Court of Human Rights, which ruled that Northern Ireland's criminalisation of homosexual acts between consenting adults violated Article 8 of the European Convention on Human Rights.

Below I highlight some key events in LGBTQ legal history, with links to online resources to explain further.

**1957:** Wolfenden Report – recommended that sex between men in private should no longer be a criminal offence:

<http://www.humandignitytrust.org/uploaded/Library/Other Reports and Analysis/Wolfenden Report 1957.pdf>

**1967:** It wasn't until 10 years later with the Sexual Offences Act that the Wolfenden Report's recommendations were acted upon: [http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1967/60/pdfs/ukpga\\_19670060\\_en.pdf](http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1967/60/pdfs/ukpga_19670060_en.pdf)

Along with other restrictions, it was still an offence if a third person was present or if sex between men took place in a hotel.

**1986:** *Rees v. United Kingdom* – a female-to-male transsexual complained to the ECHR that UK law did not confer the legal rights of their actual condition. The court concluded that there was no violation of the Convention:

<http://www.pfc.org.uk/caselaw/Rees%20vs%20The%20United%20Kingdom.pdf>



Deer at Knole Park

Another resident of Knole House was a cousin of Vita, Edward Sackville-West, 5<sup>th</sup> Baron Sackville, known as Eddy. There are permanent displays in the Gatehouse Tower which highlight Eddy's life as a gay man in the early 20<sup>th</sup> Century, when homosexuality was illegal.

The reason behind the National Trust's programme is to mark the fiftieth anniversary of the Sexual Offences Act 1967, which partially decriminalised consensual sex between two men aged at least 21. This measure only applied to England and Wales, and it wasn't until 1981 that homosexuality was decriminalised in Scotland with the passing of the Criminal Justice (Scotland) Act 1980.

**1988:** Local Government Act 1988 – Section 28 of the Act stated that a local authority was forbidden from intentionally promoting homosexuality or of promoting the ‘acceptability of homosexuality as a pretended family relationship’:

[http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1988/9/pdfs/ukpga\\_19880009\\_en.pdf](http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1988/9/pdfs/ukpga_19880009_en.pdf)

It wasn't until 2003 that this section was repealed.

**1994:** Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994 - an amendment was introduced to lower the age of consent for gay sex to 16, the same as for heterosexuals. This was rejected and a compromise amendment lowered the age of consent to 18:

[https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1994/33/pdfs/ukpga\\_19940033\\_en.pdf](https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1994/33/pdfs/ukpga_19940033_en.pdf)

Cases before the ECHR challenging this inequality were registered in 1996 (<http://hudoc.echr.coe.int/eng?i=001-22084> and <http://hudoc.echr.coe.int/eng?i=001-59354>), but were subsequently put on hold after the newly elected Labour government announced its intention to legislate. The age of consent was finally equalised in 2000.

**1996:** P v S & Cornwall County Council - this case in the European Court of Justice extended the scope of sex discrimination to include transgender people:

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/ALL/?uri=CELEX:61994CJ0013>

**2004:** Civil Partnership Act 2004 - gave same-sex couples the right to enter into legal arrangements which gave the same rights and responsibilities as heterosexual marriage:

[http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2004/33/pdfs/ukpga\\_20040033\\_en.pdf](http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2004/33/pdfs/ukpga_20040033_en.pdf)

**2004:** Gender Recognition Act 2004 - allowed transgender people to legally change their gender:

[http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2004/7/pdfs/ukpga\\_20040007\\_en.pdf](http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2004/7/pdfs/ukpga_20040007_en.pdf)

Search the HUDOC database for free access to ECHR case law:  
<https://hudoc.echr.coe.int/>

**2007:** Equality Act (Sexual Orientation) Regulations - outlawed discrimination on the grounds of sexual orientation:

[http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2007/1263/pdfs/uksi\\_20071263\\_en.pdf](http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2007/1263/pdfs/uksi_20071263_en.pdf)

**2014:** Marriage (Same Sex Couples) Act 2013 - this Act came into force, with the first gay marriages taking place on 29 March 2014:

[http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2013/30/pdfs/ukpga\\_20130030\\_en.pdf](http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2013/30/pdfs/ukpga_20130030_en.pdf)

## ECCLESIASTICAL LAW UPDATES

*Elizabeth Alderson, Administrative & Ecclesiastical Librarian*

Middle Temple Library specialises in Ecclesiastical law, and listed below are some upcoming lectures and events in this area:

### **Ecclesiastical Law Society - London lectures 2017**

11th October 2017 – Sir Mark Hedley DL, Deputy Chair and Deputy President of the

Tribunals, speaking on *Practical Aspects of the Clergy Discipline Measure*

Venue: Winckworth Sherwood, Minerva House, 5 Montague Close, London SE1 9BB, beginning at 5.30pm, with refreshments available from 5pm.

Lectures are free of charge and open to members and non-members, but it is essential to book ahead as spaces are limited.

More details at: <https://ecclawsoc.org.uk/cdm-lecture/> and to book online.

### **Advance Notice:**

Education on Canon Law - Day Conference & AGM – Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2018

At St Bride's Institute, Bride Lane (off Fleet Street) London EC4

*The Library's Ecclesiastical law collection, including textbooks and reports, can be found in bays 141-143. As well as the law of the Church of England, the collection includes Catholic, Jewish and Islamic legal texts*

## STAFF UPDATE

*Annabelle Michael, Library Assistant*

I started working at Middle Temple in July as Library Assistant (Graduate Trainee). My role is a new one, which I will be in until next summer when a new trainee will take over from me and I will (hopefully!) go on to do a library qualification.

Having just finished a philosophy degree this has been my first experience of both librarianship and legal research, so I have had a busy two months learning about the Library and the services we provide. In particular the book move project in August provided a good opportunity for learning about different classification systems and their advantages/disadvantages.



*Annabelle enjoys the novels of Philip K. Dick*

My daily duties as library assistant involve stocking the photocopiers, filing the loose leafs, shelving books, working on the Enquiry Desk and keeping the Library tidy. As part of my training my colleagues have also been giving me training sessions on their specialisms and the Library, which so far has included introductions to US legal materials, UK government publications and cataloguing. These sessions have made me appreciate the vast array of resources and areas that law librarianship covers.

I've really enjoyed my time at Middle Temple so far, and am looking forward to continuing my training in the coming months.

*All images from the Library's rare books collection illustrating this newsletter, and many others, are available to view and purchase from the Science Photo Library:*  
<http://www.sciencephoto.com/>

## BIALL CONFERENCE

*Adam Woellhaf, Training & Development Librarian*

In June of this year I had the pleasure of attending the annual conference of the British and Irish Association of Law Librarians (BIALL).

The conference venue was the very plush Principal Hotel in Manchester. It was my first visit to the city, so I was looking forward to exploring as well as getting stuck into the events and training sessions taking place.

BIALL conferences are an excellent opportunity for law librarians from all across the UK and Ireland to get together and share ideas and learn from each other. As well as being my first visit to Manchester, and despite working in law libraries for eight years, it was also my first BIALl conference.

The theme of the 2017 conference was 'Together or apart? Effective ways of working', and there was a lot of useful sessions exploring this theme throughout the days of the conference.

The conference kicked off with a timely speech from David Allen Green, legal journalist at the Financial Times and blogger at Jack of Kent (<http://jackofkent.com/>), about the Brexit debate. Many resources were mentioned, all of which you will find on Middle Temple Library's Brexit links: <http://www.middletemple.org.uk/library-archive/library/electronic-resources/links-lawyers/brexit>

I learned how the solo law librarian at Shell was able to provide a comprehensive legal reference enquiry service to thousands of lawyers all over the world, giving me ideas of how Middle Temple Library can further support our Members who work and practice all over the UK and globally.

There were sessions on the latest educational technology which have given me ideas for the legal research training sessions I prepare and deliver.

There was an interesting discussion about copyright featuring the input of representatives from the Copyright Licensing Agency and the Newspaper Licensing Agency.

All in all, it was a very useful conference and I was inspired to develop further, along with my colleagues, the legal information services we offer to Members.

## LIBRARY TOURS & STUDENTS

*Adam Woellhaf, Training & Development Librarian*

The Library welcomes all Members who are studying for either their GDL or BPTC. As well as the Open Evening and legal research training sessions, we also offer dedicated Library tours to students:

Mon 9 Oct	11am, 3pm
Tue 10 Oct	3pm, 6pm
Wed 11 Oct	11am, 6pm
Thu 12 Oct	11am, 6pm
Fri 13 Oct	11am, 3pm
Mon 16 Oct	11am, 6pm
Tue 17 Oct	11am, 3pm, 6pm
Wed 18 Oct	3pm, 6pm
Thu 19 Oct	11am, 3pm, 6pm

Attendees can enter a prize draw for the opportunity to win a gift certificate or a bottle of champagne. Members can sign up by emailing [library@middletemple.org.uk](mailto:library@middletemple.org.uk) or by speaking to a member of Library staff. You are also welcome to turn up on the day. If you aren't able to attend any of these times, then please let us know and we can arrange something more convenient. We look forward to seeing you soon!



*Public reading room in 1616. 19th-century artwork of a reading room in London, England, during the Jacobean era (the reign of King James I). Books, on chains in bookshelves with attached benches, are available for reading by the public. The 17th century saw the founding of many of England's earliest public libraries.*

## LIBRARY BLOG

*Adam Woellhaf, Training & Development Librarian*

In June of this year the Library launched its blog which you can access at:

<https://middletemplelibrary.wordpress.com/>

One feature of the blog is weekly Brexit highlights, curated by Lenka Geidt, Assistant Librarian at Middle Temple – these posts provide a handy summary of the week's Brexit-related developments, specifically geared towards the legal sector, and with links to official documents, reports, articles and other blog posts.

You'll also find useful tips and tricks to help you with your legal research – recent posts have looked at how to use the old Year Books to find cases, as well as features on African and American online legal resources. The popular rare book of the month, which used to appear on the Library's website (<http://www.middletemple.org.uk/library-archive/library/rare-books-manuscripts/rare-book-month-0>) has moved to the Blog – this allows us to upload more images and creates a greater space for engagement.

We hope you are informed and entertained by our efforts! We also welcome guest posts from Members, so please get in touch with us if there is anything you would like to contribute – [library@middletemple.org.uk](mailto:library@middletemple.org.uk)

## NEW ACQUISITIONS & DONATIONS

Bernadette Keeley, *Librarian UK & US Collections*

Thomas Antkowiak, *The American Convention on Human Rights* (OUP New York 2017)

Daniel Bodansky, *International Climate Change Law* (OUP 2017)

Hazel Carty, *An Analysis of the Economic Torts* (2nd ed, OUP 2010)

Sarah Cooper, *Preparing to Moot* (Routledge 2017)

Michael Dougan, *The UK after Brexit* (Intersentia 2017)

Alex Glassbrook, *The Law of Driverless Cars* (Law Brief Publishing 2017)

Alison Harvey, *A guide to the Immigration Act 2016* (Bloomsbury 2017)

7 Kings Bench Walk, *Carver on Charterparties* (Sweet & Maxwell 2017)

Richard Susskind, *Tomorrow's Lawyers: An Introduction to your Future* (OUP 2017)

Helen Tse, *Doing Business after Brexit* (Bloomsbury 2017)

Thomas Webster, *Handbook of ICC Arbitration* (Sweet & Maxwell 2017)

### Donations to the library: presented by author unless otherwise stated

Dean Armstrong, Dan Hyde and Sam Thomas, *Cyber Security: Law and Practice* (Lexis Nexis 2017) (donated by Sam Thomas)

Matthew Chapman, Sarah Prager and Jack Harding, *Saggerson on Travel Law and Litigation* (6th ed, Wildy 2017) ((donated by Jack Harding)

Adrian Hardiman, *Joyce in Court, James Joyce and the Law* (Head of Zeus 2017) (donated by Master Michael Ashe in memory of the late Master Hardiman, Justice of the Supreme Court of Ireland).

Antony Lentin, *Mr Justice McCardie (1869 – 1933) Rebel, Reformer and Rogue Judge* (Cambridge Scholars Publishing 2016)

## NEW EUROPEAN ACQUISITIONS

Lenka Geidt, *Assistant Librarian*

Roberto Cosio et al. (eds), *Collective Dismissal in the European Union: A Comparative Analysis* (Kluwer Law International 2017)

Valerie Verbist, *Reverse Discrimination in the European Union: A Recurring Balancing Act* (Intersentia 2017)

Nadja Alexander, Sabine Walsh and Martin Svatos (eds), *EU Mediation Law Handbook: Regulatory Robustness Ratings for Mediation Regimes* (Wolters Kluwer 2017)

Merijn Chamon, *EU Agencies: legal and political limits to the transformation of the EU administration* (OUP 2017)

Stephen Weatherill, *Principles and practice in EU sports law* (OUP 2017)

Trevor C. Hartley, *Civil jurisdiction and judgements in Europe: the Brussels I Regulation, the Lugano Convention, and the Hague Choice of Court Convention* (OUP 2017)

John Milligan, *European Union Competition Law in the Airline Industry* (Kluwer Law International 2017)

Arthur Hartkamp, Carla Sieburgh, Wouter Devroe (eds.), *Cases, Materials and Text on European Law and Private Law* (Hart Publishing 2017)



19th-century colour lithograph of a mosaic depicting a Roman noble's stables from Pompeii.