

# LIBRARY NEWSLETTER

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## Welcome!

*Vanessa Hayward, Keeper of the Library*

Welcome to our latest newsletter and Happy New Year. I hope you all had a good rest at Christmas and are now in full library use mode. If the beginning of the month is anything to go by you certainly are. I am sure the whole year will be just as busy especially as we are hoping to offer some updated IT facilities this year and iPads to loan out and we are also planning to run training courses throughout the year. Read on for further information ...

We will also have a new type of Library Committee this year in which I hope we will have some volunteers from our users to come and say how they think the library should develop in the future. For the first time too, we have a Master of the Library, Peter Susman QC who is a regular library user and IT specialist so I am sure we can benefit from his expertise. Although Master Susman has been a Member of the Library and Archive Committee, I would like to take this opportunity to welcome him as Master. I would also like to thank our other stalwart Members of the old Committee for their generous time and support especially Master Edelman who has been our excellent Chairman.

*The iPads trial will finish on the 31<sup>st</sup> of January – borrow one today!*

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## iPads in the Library

*Renae Satterley, Senior Librarian*

In October 2013 LexisNexis lent the library two iPads, each loaded with a subscription to LexisLibrary as well as a variety of ebooks, to lend out to members, free, until February 2014. The iPads were lent out for a period of a week each time. Feedback has shown that most people would be willing to use ebooks on iPads if they were provided free by the library.

Uptake has not been as high as we expected, so it remains to be seen if ebooks are the way forward for legal research purposes. Let us know what you think.



*Pupils hard at work in the library on Monday 13 January 2014*

## Legal Research Update

*Erin Gow, EU & Government Publications*

At the start of the new term, from September until early November, a series of tours and legal research training sessions was offered in the library. These were designed to help both new and current members to brush up on their skills and to find out what the library has to offer. The turn-out this year was encouraging, with a total of forty-five people taking a tour and twenty-eight individuals attending a training session.

In addition to nine general legal research training sessions offered this autumn, there were also two additional sessions targeted specifically at pupils. All the sessions covered topics such as using the library catalogue, understanding citations, finding law reports and legislation, advanced searching in electronic databases, and overviews of American and European law. The specifics in each session varied, however, depending on the interests and abilities of the attendees. The librarians running the sessions are already working to incorporate questions and comments from the attenders into revised plans for next year.

If you would like to refresh your legal research skills, but missed the training sessions in the autumn, don't despair! You can contact the library any time to get on-the-spot advice from librarians, or to request or sign up for upcoming training sessions throughout the year.

*Please contact us if you would like to refresh your legal research skills*

## Library Tours for Clerks

*Lenka Steflova, Evening Assistant*

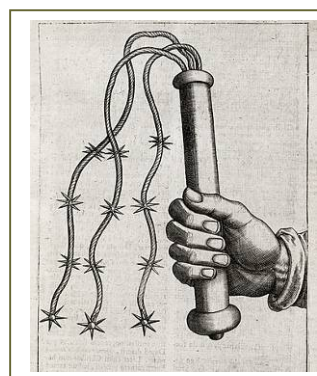
In mid-November we started offering free tours of the Middle Temple Library for junior clerks. Our aim is to show them the layout of the library, where they can find books, law reports, journals, old editions of books etc., how practical things work (printing, photocopying and our document delivery service) and make them familiar with the legal databases to which we provide access.

Before the end of 2013 around 20 people took up this offer, mostly junior clerks, but we noticed interest from chambers' librarians as well as senior clerks.

We are still running the tours. They are available in the evening from 5 to 8 pm Monday to Thursday, and 5 to 7 pm on Friday; the tour lasts approximately 20-30 minutes, however, we are flexible. So do not miss your chance and contact Lenka, the Library Assistant, via e-mail: [l.steflova@middletemple.org.uk](mailto:l.steflova@middletemple.org.uk) to book a tour.

We look forward to your e-mail.

*"I found the tour very enjoyable and useful and will be recommending it to other clerks." - Assistant Practice Manager*



*Flagellation whip from Historia admiranda de Jesu Christi stigmatibus, by the Italian archbishop Alfonso Paleotti, 1607*

## New Acquisitions

*Hilary Woodard, Stock & Ecclesiastical Librarian*

ABBEY, R- A practical approach to conveyancing  
 ALLEN, T- Mediation law and civil practice  
 APIL Guide to damages  
 APIL Guide to accidents abroad  
 AUBURN, J- Judicial review: principles and procedure  
 BIRKETT, Lord- Six great advocates  
 BLACKSTONE'S Guide to the Defamation Act  
 BLAYNEY, P- The stationers' company and printers of London  
 BURNETT-HALL, R- Environment law  
 BURROWS, A- Judge and jurist: essays in memory of Lord Rodger of Earlsferry  
 CLARKE, M- Maritime law evolving  
 CLARKE, S – Insider dealing: law and practice  
 COOK, H- Law of nuclear energy  
 DOE, N- Christian law: contemporary principles  
 FINCH, N- Immigration practice & procedure in family proceedings  
 GEORGE, R- Relocation: a practical guide  
 HUDSON, A- Securities law  
 INMAN, J- Finding official British information  
 LUSH, D- Elderly clients: a precedent manual  
 MERKIN, R- Insurance and the law of obligations  
 MILLARD, C- Cloud computing law  
 MUNDAY, R- Agency law and principles  
 PYKE, J- A-Z OF civil litigation  
 READING HLA Hart's the concept of law  
 ROSENTHAL, A- Commercial and residential service charges  
 SCHABAS, W- Universal declaration of human rights  
 SYKES, C- Leasehold enfranchisement and right to manage  
 TOLANEY, S- Key authorities in banking law  
 WALKER, S- Pleading in arbitration: a practitioner's guide  
 WATERS, M- Retail mortgages: law, regulation and procedure

## Some Statistics from 2013

*Renae Satterley, Senior Librarian*

The Library collects statistics on usage in order to review our services and ensure we are providing the necessary sources for our members.

Over the past year, thousands of people have used the library and its facilities, 494 books from the basement were consulted, 414 i-Law documents (Informa publications) were downloaded and over 500 people 'liked' our Facebook page.

If there are any services that you would like us to provide, books that you would like to see in the library, or journal subscriptions that you feel we should have, please do let us know.

*From October to December 118 books were borrowed, 134 people used Justis/Justcite and 1053 people visited our website*

**Donations** to the library (presented by author unless otherwise stated):

ASHE, M- Anti-money laundering: risks, compliance and governance  
 BLACKSTONE'S Criminal Practice (donated by Master Stockdale)  
 BURLING, J- Lloyd's: law and practice  
 DINGEMANS, J- The protections for religious rights: law and practice (donated by H Massood)  
 HUBBARD, M - Protector of trusts  
 ISLAM, C- Tax efficient wills simplified

## Book Sponsorship Programme

*Renae Satterley, Senior Librarian*

The library created a book sponsorship programme in 2007 to raise funds for the repair of the rare books. Since then we have raised over £20,000, thanks to the generosity of our members. The cost of restoration is very high, ranging from £200 for a simple book repair to over £2000 for a book damaged by mould and rot.

Books that have been saved include a 16<sup>th</sup> century work on ciphers and cryptography; the first Bible to be printed in Spanish; and a 17<sup>th</sup> century book on chemistry and distillation.

Books currently in need of restoration include:

- Leonart Fuch's 1555 work on anatomy and medicine, *Paradoxorum medicinae libri tres*
- Simon Grynäus' 1616 work on the early exploration of the Americas, *Novus orbis id est*
- *La sage folie* by A.M. Spelta, a work printed in 1628 on folly and vices

If you would like to sponsor a book please contact me: [r.satterley@middletemple.org.uk](mailto:r.satterley@middletemple.org.uk); 020 7427 4830.



*Angelo Poliziano's 1512 work on classical philology. This book was severely damaged by mould and has taken over six months to repair at a cost of £1500.*



*A view of the Foundling Hospital in Lambs Conduit Fields, founded in 1739 by Thomas Coram. From a work by Henry Chamberlain printed in 1770.*

## New Library Display

*Elizabeth Alderson, Library Administrator*

Master Lloyd, the 2014 Lent Reader, will be giving his lecture on the subject of foundlings, and the library will have a small display of related material to coincide with the event. Middle Temple, in common with Inner Temple, is classed as a local authority, and as such, has a legal obligation to maintain babies abandoned within its boundary.

While exact figures have not been calculated, it's possible that as many as fifty children were taken in as foundlings by Middle Temple. Any foundling taken care of by the Inn was given the surname Temple.

While the Foundling Hospital continues now as the children's charity Coram, the hospital's collections now reside in The Foundling Museum in Brunswick Square: <http://www.foundlingmuseum.org.uk/>