



WELCOME!

Renae Satterley, Librarian

Welcome to the latest Middle Temple Library newsletter. This issue contains an update on our classification project, which this year involved classifying, labelling and moving (most) of the previous edition textbooks housed in the basement. As this is a very large project, we have only been able to classify, label and move 50% of the collection at the time of writing. In addition to offering members remote access to Bloomsbury Professional Online for free, we continue to offer remote access to LexisPSL for 300 members. The latter offer only applies to members who do not already subscribe to the database. Contact the Library for more information. In September our Administrative and Ecclesiastical Law Librarian, Elizabeth ('Flin') Alderson will be retiring. We would like to wish her the best of luck in her new endeavours, and thank her for all of her hard work.

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LIBRARY OPEN EVENING

Adam Woellhaf, Training & Development Librarian

Following on from the success of last year's event, on Tuesday 2 October, the Library will be hosting our second Open Evening for new students. The event is free to attend and will begin at 17:45, with drinks and snacks, followed by a short introduction to the Library from 18:00 – 18:15. There will then be a chance to ask senior members of the Inn how the Library is useful to them as practitioners.

All student members are welcome to attend, as well as any other members of the Inn.

Free wine, beer and snacks will be on offer throughout the evening!



Have you used LexisPSL at the Library?
LexisNexis would like to hear your feedback:
www.lexisnexis.co.uk/innspsl

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et anni communis.*

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Apr.	4	21	10	4	7	47	0	6	21
Maio.	6	9	38	5	22	48	0	7	59
Iuni.	7	14	56	6	24	45	0	9	35
Iulius.	9	3	24	8	9	46	0	11	12
Aug.	10	21	52	9	24	47	0	12	52
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Sept.	0	10	20	11	9	48	0	14	30
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17th-century tables from 'Sphaera mundi' (1635) by Italian Jesuit astronomer and mathematician Giuseppe Biancani (1566-1624), showing details of the phases of the Moon, with the months of the year down left. The table at top is for ordinary years, with the table at bottom for leap years

QUALIFYING SESSION: LEGAL RESEARCH

Legal Research QS – for Middle Temple students *Thursday 1 November, 6pm*

This Qualifying Session covers the essentials of practical legal research, focusing on effective case law, legislation and commentary searching, online and in print. Designed for students, this session is specifically aimed at helping you navigate specialist practitioner legal resources in preparation for a career at the Bar. Refreshments and snacks will be provided.

Please book your place via the Education department

education@middletemple.org.uk

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 90 minutes.

Essentials of Practical Legal Research

These sessions cover the essentials of practical legal research, highlight Middle Temple Library's resources, and compare print with electronic sources, and offer an excellent opportunity for new and experienced practitioners to review key skills.

Wednesday 17 October, 18:00

Tuesday 23 October, 18:00

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 5 November, 18:00

Tuesday 11th December, 18:00

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.

Tuesday 25 October, 18:00

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

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>

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

THE TITLE OF PRIME MINISTER

Annabelle Michael, Library Assistant

Observant users of the Library will probably have noticed that the walls are decorated with portraits of prime ministers. Although the early leaders of parliament are commonly referred to as 'prime ministers', the position as we know it today actually emerged over hundreds of years. It developed from the role of 'First Lord of the Treasury', which still remains in the full official title of the prime minister now.

The first 'prime minister' Robert Walpole used the post-civil war political situation to establish himself as the leader of parliament. He actually held the position of First Lord of the Treasury, but began acting as the leader of parliament from this role. Originally the term 'prime minister' was an insult meaning that a minister had moved above their rank, and Walpole even publicly denied being the prime minister.

After Walpole, ministers continued to act as 'prime minister' from the role of the First Lord of the Treasury. Over time the role of prime minister became entrenched and eventually lost all negative connotations. By the late 18th century there were calls from the government that the role be officially recognised. Press reports from this time demonstrate that the role was already widely recognised, with the term 'prime minister' often used to refer to the 'first lord of the treasury'.



Robert Walpole is considered the first prime minister



In 1878, Benjamin Disraeli signed the Berlin treaty prime minister

Further developments came in 1878 when Benjamin Disraeli signed the Berlin treaty as the prime minister; this seems to be the first time that a politician had used it to refer to themselves in an official setting. From the 1880s onwards the title 'prime minister' also starts to appear in Hansard.

Official acknowledgement of the role by the civil service only came in the 1904 Imperial Calendar, where 'Prime Minister and First Lord of the Treasury' was used to describe Arthur Balfour. However, the first statutory reference to a Prime Minister was not until 1917 in the Chequers Estate Act. Public recognition of the existence of a 'Prime Minister's Office' finally came in the 1977 Civil Service Yearbook (the successor to the Imperial Calendar).

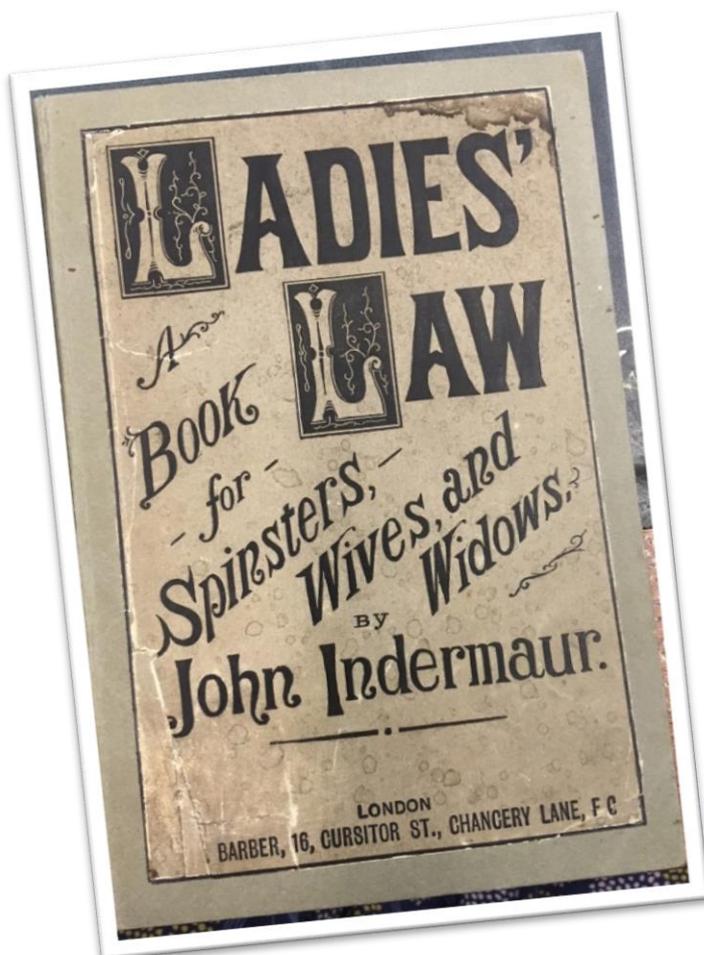
A large number of politicians have also been barristers, including some prime ministers. Lincoln's Inn can name eight former prime minister as members, including William Pitt the Younger, Benjamin Disraeli, William Gladstone, Margaret Thatcher and Tony Blair. Clement Attlee was a member of Inner Temple. Middle Temple can boast the second prime minister, Spencer Compton as a member. Although only prime minister for just over a year, Compton had a political partnership with Walpole for over 40 years, although not without its ups and downs.

REFLECTIONS ON THE BASEMENT BOOK MOVE

This year, during our annual two week closure, Library staff embarked on an ambitious project to rearrange the textbook collection in the basement, where old editions of main collection books are stored. This basement book move involved taking the textbooks out of alphabetical order and putting them into subject order to make their organisation consistent with the main textbook collection (which since last summer has been arranged using the Moys Classification Scheme), and to also allow members to peruse subject areas with ease.

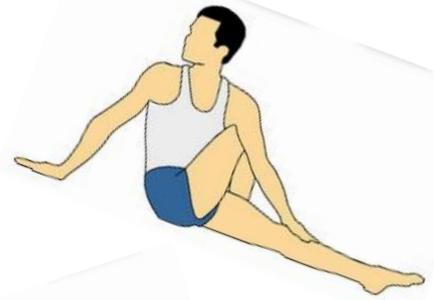
The project had been in preparation for over a year, and below some staff members reflect on the experience....

No fights ensued, and no one was squashed (accidentally or otherwise) in the rolling stacks...



When you spend a week or two moving thousands of books, you inevitably end up looking through one or two, such as John Indermaur's 1886 Ladies' law: a book for spinsters, wives, and widows. This is a truly fascinating snapshot of the legal status of Victorian women and their rights at various stages in their lives.

Beginning the day with a group stretching session was certainly novel, but helped to alleviate the inevitable stresses and strains of so much physical labour!



There are ways which can help you to stay focused while updating thousands of catalogue records. Here are some of our tips...

...practise silent mindfulness so as to achieve a state of zen-like awareness

...listen to 60 episodes of the Archers.

...listen to around 7 operas of your choice.



BYE BYE...FROM FLIN!

Elizabeth Alderson, Administrative & Ecclesiastical Librarian

I am leaving Middle Temple Library at the end of September – retiring from my post here after 13 years, in pursuit of part-time work and more family time. My years of working at the Library have been interesting, and educational. Who would have thought that so many great names in English literature, such as Fielding, Congreve, and Dickens, had a Middle Temple connection? Or that I would be working in an area featured in film and television? I have learnt many things, made many friends, and have many memories that will stay with me forever. My best wishes to you all for the future.

MEMBER & LIBRARY USER SURVEY

Adam Woellhaf, Training & Development Librarian

We are currently running a survey which we invite all members and library users to take part. The survey uses contingent valuation methodology. Contingent valuation surveys evaluate non-market goods, such as public services or environmental protection services, and assesses their economic value.

Please follow this link to find out more and to fill out the survey, or scan the QR code below:

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/mtlibrary>

Paper copies are also available to complete in the Library.



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, which last about 30 minutes:

Mon 24 Sept	11:00, 15:00
Wed 26 Sept	11:00, 15:00
Fri 28 Sept	11:00, 15:00
Mon 1 Oct	11:00, 15:00, 18:00
Tue 2 Oct	11:00, 15:00
Wed 3 Oct	11:00, 18:00
Thu 4 Oct	11:00, 18:00
Fri 5 Oct	11:00, 15:00
Mon 8 Oct	11:00, 18:00
Tue 9 Oct	11:00, 15:00, 18:00
Wed 10 Oct	15:00, 18:00
Thu 11 Oct	11:00, 15:00, 18:00
Fri 12 Oct	11:00, 15:00
Mon 15 Oct	11:00, 15:00, 18:00
Tue 16 Oct	11:00, 15:00, 18:00

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 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!

ACCESSING NEWSPAPER ARTICLES

Adam Woellhaf, Training & Development Librarian

As well as the print edition of *The Times*, Middle Temple can provide access to a considerable amount of historic and current newspaper content via our institutional subscription to the London Library.

There are a number of large databases for newspapers published between the 17th and 19th centuries – as well a considerable amount of UK content, newspapers from other jurisdictions are also covered including the United States (colonial era). These are the 17th-18th Century Burney Collection Newspapers and 19th Century British Library Newspapers.



We also have access to ProQuest Historical Newspapers for coverage of *The Guardian* and *The Observer* 1791-2003.

We have access to the Times Digital Archive, coverage 1785-2012.

For anything after 2012, we can use Infotrac Newspapers from Gale which has full-text coverage of *The Times* from 1985 to the current issue. This database also has full-text coverage of *The Observer* from 1993 to the latest issue, *The Guardian* from 1990 onwards and *The New York Times* from 1985 onwards.

We can also use Gale's Artemis (or Gale's Primary Sources) which searches across seven databases using one interface – including the BL databases, the Times Digital Archive, *Sunday Times*, *TLS*, *The Listener* and *The Illustrated London News* (these databases can also be searched individually).

Special Offer!

Don't forget that members based outside of London get a 50% discount on Document Delivery orders. Our online form makes it easy to order items ready for court, and we aim to email documents within two hours during our current opening times.

<https://tinyurl.com/y7ypy63w>

Other options for remote services include signing up to Bloomsbury Professional and LexisPSL – email the library to find out more:

library@middletemple.org.uk

NEW ACQUISITIONS & DONATIONS

Bernadette Keeley, Librarian UK & US Collections

Andrew Buchan et al., *Personal Injury Schedules: Calculating Damages* (Bloomsbury 2018)

Damien Byrne Hill et al., *Class Actions* (Sweet & Maxwell 2018)

Ruth Cabeza et al., *Surrogacy, Law, Practice and Policy in England and Wales* (LexisNexis 2018)

Iliana Christodolou – Varotski, *Marine Pollution Control* (Informa 2018)

Mark Elliott et al., *The UK Constitution after Miller: Brexit and Beyond* (Hart 2018)

Oonagh Fitzgerald, *Complexity's Embrace: The International Law Implications of Brexit* (CIGI 2018)

Neal Geach & Christopher Monaghan (eds.), *Dissenting Judgments in the Law* (Wildy, Simmonds & Hill 2018)

Andrew Goodman. *How Judges decide Cases: Reading, Writing and Analysing Judgments* (Wildy, Simmonds & Hill 2018)

Damian Grave et al., *Class Actions in England and Wales* (Sweet and Maxwell 2018)

Anthony Ray Hinton, *The Sun does shine: How I found Life on Death Row* (Rider Books 2018)

Stephen Knafler, Children's Social Care Law (Legal Action Group 2018)

Sarah Langford, In your Defence: Stories of Law and Life (Doubleday 2018)

David Lock & Hannah Gibbs, NHS Law and Practice (Legal Action Group 2018)

David Lowe & Charlie Potter, Understanding Legislation: A Practical Guide to understanding Legislation (Hart 2018)

Jonathan Mance, Privy Council Practice (OUP 2017)

John Quigley, Foreigners on Death Row: The Legal Combat over Access to a Consul (CUP 2018)

J T Richardson, Legal Cases, New Religious Movements and Minority Faiths (Blackwells 2014)

Geoffrey Robertson, Rather his own Man: In Court with Tyrants, Tarts and Troublemakers (Biteback Publishing 2018)

The Secret Barrister, Stories of the Law and How it's Broken (Macmillan 2018)

Carol S Steiker, Courting Death: The Supreme Court and Capital Punishment (Belknap Press 2016)

Mark Watson-Gandy, Personal Insolvency Practice: Litigation, Procedure and Precedents (Wildy, Simmonds & Hill 2018)

Charles Wynn – Evans, The Law of TUPE Transfers (OUP 2016)

Donations to the library: presented by author unless otherwise stated

Michael Blair, Financial Services Law

Glen Davis, Butterworths Insolvency Law Handbook

Myles Lynk, The Legal Papers of John Adams Volumes 1 - 3

Paul Stanley QC, Coke's Booke of Entries, 1614

NEW EUROPEAN ACQUISITIONS

Lenka Geidt, Assistant Librarian

Jens M. Scherpe and Andy Hayward (eds.), The Future of Registered Partnerships (Intersentia Publishers 2018)

Benedita Menezes Queiroz, Illegally staying in the EU (Bloomsbury Publishing Plc 2018)

Danny Busch et al., Capital Markets Union in Europe (OUP 2018)

Stefan Grundmann, European Contract Law in the Digital Age (Intersentia 2018)

Florin Coman-Kund, European Union Agencies as Global Actors: A Legal Study of the European Aviation Safety Agency, Frontex and Europol (Routledge 2018)

Anna Sodersten, Euratom at the Crossroads (Edward Elgar Publishing 2018)

Gilles Cuniberti and Sara Migliorini, The European Account Preservation Order Regulation (CUP 2018)

Katia Bianchini, Protecting Stateless Persons: The Implementation of the Convention Relating to the Status of Stateless Persons across EU States (Brill Nijhoff 2018)

Anna Fiodorova, Information exchange and EU law enforcement (Routledge 2018)

Finbarr Murphy, Financial services law in Ireland (Round Hall 2018)

We are always keen to hear about the kinds of legal research training members need – so please do get in touch with us if you have any requests or feedback:

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