

LIBRARY NEWSLETTER

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WELCOME!

Vanessa Hayward, Keeper of the Library

Well, that was the summer gone for another year and the Michaelmas term is upon us so I am hoping you will all choose to spend your working hours in our nice warm, quiet, spacious and comfortable library with so many books, journals and databases ready and free for you to use, not to mention the major daily newspapers (in case you get bored with the law) and our coffee machine for when you are working on the law but struggling to keep awake.

You will find a few changes as two of our longserving staff – Hilary Woodard and Julian Reckert have retired and we have two new members of staff. Louise James is our new cataloguer and Suzanne Traue is looking after our training and development, as well as social media and outreach. So beware, if you don't come into the library often enough, we will come to you.

We also have a new set of library guides, including an updated guide to legal research and new EU & US guides as well as some very smart bookmarks for you to take away. We also have two new databases on trial until the end of the year, Lexis PSL and Practical Law from Sweet & Maxwell. We would really appreciate your views on both of these so use them and then let us know if you like them.

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MARK RYLANCE'S TONY AWARD

The 400th anniversary of the first performance of *Twelfth Night* was performed in Middle Temple Hall on 2 February 2002 with an all-male cast and Mark Rylance (Honorary Bencher, 2003) in the role of Olivia. The production subsequently transferred to the Globe and was revived with Stephen Fry as Malvolio.

The production then transferred to the West End, and in 2014 it went to Broadway. In the same year Master Rylance was nominated for a Tony award for best performance by an actor in a featured role in a play. Master Rylance offered to donate his Tony award to the Inn, as the production had been inspired by Middle Temple.

The award, along with the envelope which was opened to announce the winner, has now been deposited in the Archive. It is certainly one of the most interesting items to have been donated to the Inn and we would like to express our thanks to Master Rylance for donating it.



Hilary Woodard & Julian Reckert picture at their retirement party in the Queen's Room, July 2014

LIBRARY TOURS

Suzanne Traue, Training & Development

Library tours are taking place on the following dates and times. You can show up on the day, or register in advance at the Enquiry Desk, by email (<u>library@middletemple.org.uk</u>) or by phone: 020 7427 4830. If you would prefer to book a different date or time just let us know.

All attendees will be entered into a prize draw to win either a bottle of champagne or a Marks & Spencer gift certificate.

Mon 15th Sept: 11am, 2pm, 4.30pm

Tue 16th Sept: 3pm, 5.30pm

Wed 17th Sept: 11am, 2pm, 4.30pm

Thu 18th Sept: 3pm, 5.30pm

Fri 19th Sept: 11am, 2pm, 4.30pm

Mon 22nd Sept: 11am, 2pm, 4.30pm

Tue 23rd Sept: 3pm, 4.00pm

Wed 24th Sept: 11am, 2pm, 4.30pm

Thu 25th Sept: 2pm, 4.30pm

Fri 26th Sept: 11am, 3pm, 4.30pm

Mon 29th Sept: 11am, 2pm, 4.30pm

Tue 30th Sept: 3pm, 5.30pm

Wed 1st Oct: 11am, 2pm, 4.30pm

Thu 2nd Oct: 3pm, 5.30pm

Fri 3rd Oct: 11am, 2pm, 4.30pm

Master Rylance's 2014 Tony Award (Photo by Dimpy Sanganee)



Join us for a tour of the library. Tours are being offered throughout September and October. You could win a bottle of champagne or a gift certificate!

JOHN WEBSTER'S THE WHITE DEVIL

Renae Satterley, Deputy Librarian

In June, the library purchased a copy of John Webster's play *Vittoria Corombona, or the White Devil,* printed in 1672 "for William Crooke, at the Green Dragon without Temple-Bar".

This Jacobean revenge tragedy play is notorious for its violent scenes. It was based on scandalous events that took place in Italy at the end of the 16th century and was first performed in 1612 by the Queen's Men in Clerkenwell. It is currently being performed in Stratford by the Royal Shakespeare Company until the 29th of November. Webster was a member of the Inn, having joined on 1 August 1598. He doesn't appear to have been called to the Bar however.

The Library does not normally purchase such items due to their high cost. We made an exception due to the fact that Webster was a member and the fact that his plays rarely come to market. Due to the scarcity of his plays being available to purchase, we agreed to buy it now and fundraise to pay for its purchase afterwards. As such we are collaborating with the 'Red Not Dead' organizers at Shakespeare's Globe to mount a reading of the play in Hall for early November. Half of the proceeds raised will go towards the purchase price of the play and half will go to the Shakespeare Globe Trust.

If you would like to make a contribution towards the purchase of the play, please get in touch with the Senior Librarian on: 020 7247 4830 or <u>r.satterley@middletemple.org.uk</u>. There will be posters and announcements for the November reading in Hall at a later date.

NEW ACQUISITIONS & DONATIONS

Bernadette Keeley, Librarian UK & US Collections

BAATZ, Y- Maritime law BEHRENS, P- Practical church management CARD & JAMES- Business law CHADA, R- Bribery: a compliance handbook COMMINS, A- Maintenance matters: guide to periodical payments on divorce and civil partnerships COURTNEY, W- Contractual indemnities DAVIES, M- Law of professional immunities FORLIN, G- Corporate liability: work related deaths and criminal prosecutions GRABENWARTER, C- European convention on human rights: commentary HATHAWAY, J- The law of refugee status KEENE, A- Court of protection handbook MARSHALL, J- Human rights law and personal identity OXFORD Dictionary of finance and banking REED, P- Construction all risks insurance RICHARDSON, M- Sexual offences: a practitioner's guide SALLAVACI, O- Impact of scientific evidence on the criminal trial: case of DNA evidence SCHERDIN, L – Capital punishment: a hazard to a sustainable criminal justice system? SHERIDAN, D- Family law arbitration SONG, M- Causation in insurance contract law SOYER, B- Marine insurance fraud STANNARD, J- Termination for breach of contract STONE, R- Textbook on civil liberties and human rights

NEW U.S. ACQUISITIONS

EGGEN, J- Toxic torts in a nutshell MARTINEZ, L- Cases and materials on insurance law TABB, C- The law of bankruptcy **Donations** to the library: presented by author unless otherwise stated

BLACKSTONE'S CRIMINAL PRACTICE 2014 Supplement 3 (donated by Master Stockdale)

BUTTERWORTHS INSOLVENCY LAW HANDBOOK (donated by Glen Davis and Marcus Haywood)

COHEN, M – Legal Research in a Nutshell (donated by Jason Olson)

DEATH PENALTY PROJECT- The death penalty in Taiwan

DESSAIN, A & WILKINS, M – Jersey Insolvency and Asset Tracking Supplement 2014

HARWOOD, R – Historic Environment Law Supplement 2014

JACKSON, E- Debating euthanasia (donated by John Keown)

KEOWN, J- Abortion, doctors and the law

KEOWN, J- Euthanasia, ethics and public policy

KEOWN, J- Euthanasia examined

KEOWN, J- The law and ethics of medicine

LOWE, J – Oil and Gas law in a Nutshell (donated by Jason Olson)

MCDADE, T – Thieves of Book Row (donated by Master Stockdale)

ORMEROD, D- Smith and Hogan's Text, Cases and Materials on Criminal Law

RESNIK, J & CURTIS, D- Representing Justice (donated by Professor Richard Wydick)

SHAWCROSS, W – Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother (donated by Master Stockdale)

NEW JOURNALS

Family Law Journal Personal Injury Law Journal

MASTER TREASURER'S LECTURE

On 15 July 2014, Master Treasurer for 2014, Lord Igor Judge gave a talk in Hall about the future of the Inn. The full transcript can be downloaded from the Inn's website at:

http://www.middletemple.org.uk/news/mastertreasurers-lecture-the-future-of-the-inn/

DATABASE UPDATES

New database: In June the library subscribed to Lexis.com, which covers American case law, legislation and secondary legal resources. It also provides access to a wide range of international newspapers, business and company information. The database is available to use from any library terminal. If you would like more information on how to search Lexis.com, ask for assistance at the Enquiry Desk.

Trials: The library has been given trial subscriptions to two new practical law resources: Lexis PSL and Practical Law. The former provides access to practical guidance resources arranged by subjects such as arbitration, employment and personal injury amongst others. The latter provides practice notes, legal updates, CPD resources and standard documents.

Both trials run until late 2014 and we'll be assessing their usage to determine if we will subscribe to them on a permanent basis.

Did you know that in most databases symbols such as \$, *, ! or % can be used to truncate a search term? Using a truncation symbol will allow you to quickly search for multiple words beginning with the same stem (such as: sentence, sentences, sentencing, sentencer), saving you time and ensuring you find all the relevant results.



Illustration from Corpus historiae Germanicae (1730) by the scholar and librarian Burkhard Gotthelf Struve

UPDATE ON EU COLLECTION & CURIA

Erin Gow, EU & Government Publications

The European collection now includes a more complete range of national legislation, with new translations of the German Criminal Code, Danish Criminal Acts, and the Polish civil code. The Irish collection has also been updated with new texts on topics ranging from criminal legislation through will and probate.

The European Union's Court of Justice website, Curia, provides electronic access to information relating to every case brought before the Court of Justice, General Court, and the Civil Service Tribunal from 1953 through the present. This includes information about pending and ongoing cases. Information on cases can be found by searching or by browsing, and the site now hosts the newly authenticated electronic version of the Reports of Cases before the Court of Justice and the General Court (also referred to as the European Court Reports). These electronic reports now carry legal value, and the Reports of Cases are not produced in print after this date, so it essential to become familiar with the electronic alternatives available through Curia and EUR-Lex. Speak to a librarian, or see the brief library guides to these databases for further information.