

INNERVIEW

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When I was telling friends and colleagues about my election as chairman of the Bar Liaison Committee (BLC), the reaction was generally the same. They would nod, smile and warmly congratulate me, and then (after what they considered to be a decent interval), they would ask "... and what exactly is the BLC?" Although hundreds of members of the Inn voted in the recent BLC elections, a great many of the Inn's members are blissfully unaware of its existence, and the fact that it is their voice in the running of the Inn.

The BLC is a committee of elected and co-opted members of Hall (i.e. members of the Inn who are not Benchers), and includes representatives from all of the circuits. The Committee exists to represent the views of ordinary members in the Inn's decision making processes at all levels, and has representatives

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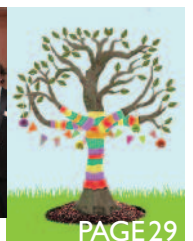
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on all of the Inn's Bench committees (including the Executive Committee). It is a matter of some pride to Inner Temple that we are the only Inn where non-Bencher representatives are included and listened to in this way. The Committee has also helped shape the voice of the Inn to the outside world through drafting the Inn's responses to Government or Regulators' consultations affecting the Bar, and justice more generally.

There is an apocryphal Chinese curse which translates as, "*May you live in interesting times.*" Well, there is no doubt that we are all currently living in interesting times: the publicly funded Bar is facing unprecedented challenges in terms of funding and structural reform; barristers are increasingly employed or in ABSs; and we are all facing substantial changes in the regulatory structures. At the same time, new opportunities are opening up for the Bar, both domestically and internationally. The Inn must adapt to these changing times to ensure that it provides the education, training and facilities for the 21st Century Bar if we are to remain relevant and worthy of the right to determine who gets to call themselves a barrister.

I remain confident that there is still a crucial role for the Inns to play in educating and training the Bar, in maintaining the highest standards of advocacy and ethics, in providing the facilities that our members need to maintain their professional needs, and in fostering the collegiate spirit that makes the Bar so special. The Inn is, and must be, more than a historical anomaly or a livery company. The Inn's strategic review is currently looking at the question of the Inn's longer term strategy, but the BLC helps provide the Inn with the day to day feedback of how its members are being affected in the changing legal world and to ensure that the Inn is able to adapt to that world to best provide for our members.

The BLC benefits from a wide range of call

and practice areas amongst its members, and we hope and believe that between us we do accurately understand the needs and interests of the members that we represent. However, the best way to ensure that we are representing your views is to let us know what they are, and we have just introduced a new email, blc@innertemple.org.uk, for members to let us know their thoughts and concerns.

We are also always looking for people to get involved with the Inn in a range of capacities including assisting with advocacy training, scholarship interviews, student societies and the Open Weekend. If you are interested in getting involved and helping out with the Inn, please do get in touch.

I'd also like to take this opportunity to invite you to join us at the Bar Guest Night dinner on 26 June 2015. For anyone who has never been, it is a fabulous dinner and the one opportunity of the year to bring non-barrister friends and family to dine in the Inn. In addition, guests will have the opportunity to hear the Inn's internationally renowned choir prior to the dinner in what will be a memorable performance.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to pay tribute to Sara Lawson who has stepped down from the BLC after 20 years, the last three as Chairman. I would have wished her well with her newfound spare time, except that she won't have any because she has agreed to join the Inn's strategic review panel. She is an extraordinarily hard act to follow, and the Inn is hugely in her debt for her incredible hard work and enormous contribution on behalf of the Inn's members.



SIMON BAKER
CHAIRMAN
BAR LIAISON
COMMITTEE

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Front cover:

King John Assents to the Magna Carta 1215, oil painting by Charles H. Sims.

This painting is part of the ongoing Magna Carta exhibition in the Temple Church:

Magna Carta 1215 -2015: London's Temple and the Road to the Rule of Law.

www.templechurch.com

NEW BENCHERS

The Treasurer is delighted to announce that the following people have been appointed Masters of the Bench:

HONORARY BENCHER

Professor Roger Scruton, Visiting Professor at the School of Philosophical, Anthropological and Film Studies at the University of St Andrews and in Philosophy at the University of Oxford. He is also a Senior Fellow at the Ethics and Public Policy Center in Washington and a contributing editor to *The New Atlantis*.

ACADEMIC BENCHER

Professor Spyridon Flogaitis, Professor of Administrative Law, Faculty of Law, University of Athens and Director of the European Public Law Organization, Athens, Greece.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Courtney Abel (called 1980) has been appointed Judge of the Supreme Court of Belize.

Master Ian Dove has been appointed to the High Court, Queen's Bench Division.

Master Eleanor King has been appointed to the Court of Appeal.

Garvin Nicholas (called 2001) has been appointed Attorney General of Trinidad and Tobago.

Master David Vaughan has been awarded a Lifetime Achievement Award at the Chambers & Partners Bar Awards in 2014, in recognition of his outstanding practice in EU Law over the past 50 years.

Master Bernard Rix, Master Simon Thorley and Dr Anselmo Reyes (called 1985) have been appointed as International Judges of the Supreme Court of Singapore to sit (part-time) in the newly created Singapore International Commercial Court.

Congratulations to the Inner Temple Team, Gavin Dingley and Sabina Garahan, who were named as winner of the Marcianum International Moot Court Competition in Venice on 11 March.

CONGRATULATIONS TO INNER TEMPLE'S NEW SILKS

James Ageros QC

Miss Christine Agnew QC

Miss Kate Brunner QC

Akhlaq Choudhury QC

David Craig QC

Stephen Eyre QC

Francis Fitzpatrick QC

Miss Alison Grief QC

Christopher Hames QC

Muhammed Haque QC

Neil Hext QC

Miss Henrietta Hill QC

James House QC

Miss Rhiannon Jones QC

Miss Riel Karmy-Jones QC

Professor Sir Ian Kennedy QC FBA

John Kimbell QC

Daniel Kolinsky QC

Miss Jane Lemon QC

Jonathan Mann QC

Benjamin Pilling QC

Steven Thompson QC

John Tughan QC

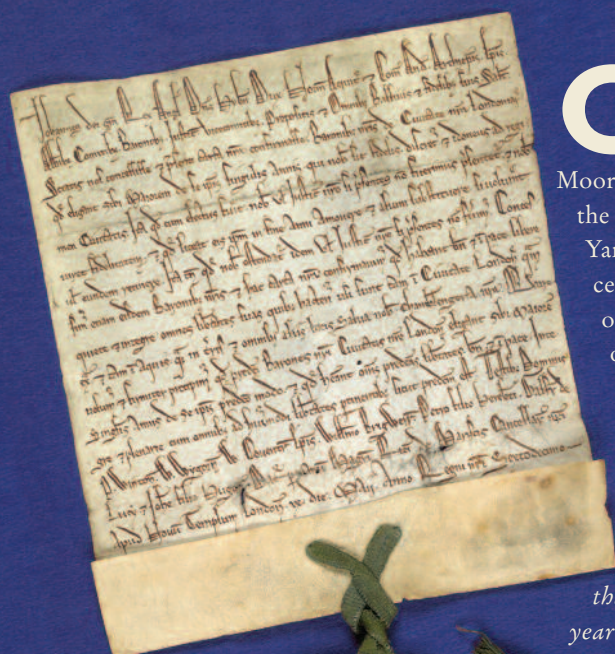
Benjamin Williams QC



IN CELEBRATION OF THE 800TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SEALING OF THE CITY CHARTER

SPECIAL SERVICE OF CHORAL EVENSONG & RECEPTION 14 MAY 2015

5.45pm: Choral Evensong followed by reception in Middle Temple Hall



On Thursday 14 May 2015, the Treasurers of Inner and Middle Temple, The Rt Hon Lord Justice Moore-Bick and Stephen Hockman QC, and the Rt Hon The Lord Mayor, Alderman Alan Yarrow, will jointly host a special celebration to mark the 800th anniversary of the City Charter. Sealed by King John on 9 May 1215, the charter was issued from the Temple guaranteeing to the City of London the right freely to elect its own Lord Mayor.

“Know that we have granted, and by this our present writing confirmed, to our barons of our city of London, that they may choose to themselves every year a mayor, who to us may be faithful, discreet, and fit for government of the city, so as, when he shall be chosen, to be presented unto us, or our justice if we shall not be present.”

The Lord Mayor still processes on the day of his or her installation to the Royal Courts of Justice to appear before the Lord Chief Justice.

Letters patent of King John confirming the City's right to elect a mayor, 9 May 1215

Tickets:

Benchers/Members of Hall: £40.00

Students: £25.00

To Book:

Contact Kate Peters with payment details on 020 7797 8183 or kpeters@innertemple.org.uk or go to <https://www.innerqualifyingessions.org.uk>

Benchers: Evensong Reception & Dinner tickets are available for £95.00 on a first come first serve basis.



MAGNA CARTA

26 JUNE 2015

BAR GUEST NIGHT

6PM CHORAL CELEBRATION IN TEMPLE CHURCH
7PM RECEPTION FOLLOWED BY
7.45PM DINNER IN THE INNER TEMPLE

In this 800th Anniversary Year of Magna Carta,
join us for what promises to be a special occasion
for members and their guests

The champagne reception, dinner with a selection of wines from the Inn's cellar,
will be preceded by a special service and choral celebration of Magna Carta by the world renowned
Temple Church Choir with a talk by the Master of the Temple, Reverend Robin Griffith-Jones.

Tickets:

Members & their guests: £85 each
Or book a table of 10 for the price of 9

To Book:

Contact Kate Peters on 020 7797 8183 or
kpeters@innertemple.org.uk

This event is open to called members and their guests.

OPEN HOUSE LONDON

“REVEALING MAGNA CARTA”

WEEKEND OF 19-20 SEPTEMBER 2015

Over the weekend of 19-20 of September, both Inns will open their doors to welcome up to 20,000 members of the wider public to the Temple. Visitors will be able to visit the Temple Church and the Halls, Treasury buildings, Libraries and Gardens of both Inns as well as the Royal Courts of Justice accompanied by volunteer and professional guides.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

- Playing witnesses in the Royal Courts of Justice mock trials
- As greeters at the entrances to the Temple and in the Royal Courts of Justice
- As interior and exterior marshals
- As tour guides and Temple experts – training available
- We are also looking for Chambers to open their doors over the weekend

Contact: Alice Pearson, Magna Carta Project Manager
T: 020 7797 8176 E: apearson@innertemple.org.uk

Volunteer Form: go to the News & Events section at www.innertemple.org.uk

In Celebration of the 800th Anniversary
of the Sealing of the Magna Carta

Lunchtime Champagne Reception

Following Choral Mattins, a service of rededication
to the principles of Magna Carta

Sunday 14 June 2015

11.15am – Choral Mattins

12.30pm – Champagne Reception in the Inner Temple Garden

Tickets:

Benchers: £50

Members of Hall: £50

Students: £38

(Members may bring a guest at the same price)

Price includes all food and drink

To Book:

Contact Kate Peters with payment details on 020 7797 8183 or kpeters@innertemple.org.uk
or go to <https://www.innerqualifyingsessions.org.uk>

We anticipate this joint Inner and Middle Temple event being very popular,
please book early to avoid disappointment.



TEMPLE WOMEN'S FORUM &
THE ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN BARRISTERS

A SURVIVOR'S GUIDE TO STAYING AT THE BAR

Co-convened by:
HHJ Deborah Taylor
&
Rachel Langdale QC

5.30PM MONDAY
27 APRIL 2015
MIDDLE TEMPLE HALL

Keynote Speaker:
The Lord Chief Justice,
The Rt Hon The Lord
Thomas of Cwmgiedd

Panellists:

Helen Davies QC, Brick Court Chambers
Sarah Forshaw QC, 5KBW
Alison Foster QC, 39 Essex Street
Alison Hewitt, 5 Essex Court
Kate Lumbers, 7BR
Helen Mountfield QC, Matrix Chambers

TO BOOK:

www.templewomensforum15.eventbrite.co.uk

GIFT TO THE INN

A generous legacy from Mr Hall Parke (28 February 1905-19 February 1985), a senior Government solicitor who attended several dinners at the Inn, has enabled the Inn to purchase a new model C Steinway piano. A final distribution from the Hall Parke legacy was sent to the Inn in 2013. Mr Parke's will, refers to the money being used "*at the discretion of the Benchers for the general purposes of the Society*" and to Mr Parke's wish that it be used "*to provide entertainment and the like for the Members of the Inn in memory of my said wife*". A small delegation including Master Salter and, from l-r, Philip Fowke, Fellow of Piano at Trinity Laban, Clement



Caseau of Steinway, Henrietta Amodio, Head of the Treasury Office and Peter Salisbury, Senior Concert Piano Technician at the South Bank Centre London, selected the piano from the Steinway factory in Hamburg on 5 February 2015.

MURDER IN THE CATHEDRAL 31 JANUARY – 1 FEBRUARY

RECENT
EVENTS



ITALIAN CRIMINAL LAWYERS VISIT 27 FEBRUARY

Our thanks to Master Grainger,
Master Anthony Hughes and Master
Griffith-Jones for hosting the group.





RECENT
EVENTS

THE TROUBLESOME
REIGN OF KING JOHN
OF ENGLAND
1 MARCH

We are walking



Monday 18th May

2015

JOIN THE INNER TEMPLE TEAM TO RAISE MONEY
FOR THE LONDON LEGAL SUPPORT TRUST

This will be the fifth consecutive year that the Inner Temple Team has joined the London Legal Walk, to raise money for the London Legal Support Trust. Members of the Inn, members of staff, friends and family are

welcome to join the Inner Temple Team – the more the merrier and the better the chance of surpassing our fundraising record of last year of £3,000, in support of much needed funds for legal support agencies.

Donations made to the Inner Temple Team will go directly to the London Legal Support Trust and can be made by via the Inner Temple's sponsorship page

<http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/team/Inner-Temple>

To sign up to the team, please visit the News & Events section of www.innertemple.org.uk

STRATEGIC REVIEW OPEN SESSION

In 2014, the Executive Committee commissioned an independent review of the Inn’s medium term strategy. The main aim was to articulate how the Inn would remain a thriving institution in five years and beyond while trying to articulate the many uncertainties that lie ahead and their possible impact on us. The Strategy Review Group was established to undertake this chaired by Master Hunt (The Rt Hon The Lord Hunt of Wirral MBE). To date the group has held a number of open contributors’ sessions followed by an Open Forum for all members, students and staff of the Inn on 26 February.

This had been a successful event, with some 80 members attending and whose comments greatly added to the fact-finding exercise that the Group was engaged upon. Master Hunt commented that he had been impressed that the Inn had the confidence to undertake such a review and that everyone had engaged with it so positively.

The Group is now in the process of drafting its report, findings and recommendations which we anticipate will be ready by the end of April for consideration by the Executive Committee and Bench Table.

INNS’ MAGNA CARTA LECTURE SERIES

AS PART OF THE MAGNA CARTA 2015 CELEBRATIONS THE INNS ARE RUNNING A LECTURE SERIES. THE SECOND LECTURE OF THE YEAR WILL BE AT LINCOLN’S INN:

TUESDAY 12 MAY*

THE RT HON THE LORD NEUBERGER OF ABBOTSBURY MAGNA CARTA AND THE HOLY GRAIL

FREE
LINCOLN’S INN

Doors open: 6.15pm

Lecture: 6.45pm

* NB Please note change of date

For more details on how to book:

Go to www.lincolnsinn.org.uk

FUTURE LECTURES

BOOKINGS FROM SEPTEMBER

19 OCTOBER (Gray’s Inn)
The Rt Hon The Baroness Hale of Richmond
Magna Carta – Did She Die in Vain?

23 NOVEMBER (Inner Temple)
Master Baker
(Professor Sir John Baker LL.D FBA QC)
Magna Carta and the Templars, 1215-1628

NEWS FROM THE CIRCUITS:

THE NORTHERN CIRCUIT

As many readers will know, the Northern Circuit at one time encompassed the whole of the North of England. Since 1876 we have been reduced to a more modest area to the west of the Pennines. But despite its diminished size, the circuit still has a great deal to commend it: not just the great Northern powerhouses of Manchester and Liverpool, but the picturesque villages of beautiful Lakeland, the mill towns of Lancashire and atmospheric Lancaster itself, the skyline of which is dominated by the Castle which still houses the Crown Court. As any pupil travelling from court to court can attest, the geographical reach of the circuit is still impressive. Organising and coordinating some 1,250 members across such a vast area is no mean feat. A task performed admirably by the circuit officers, under the leadership of Andrew O’Byrne QC.

The circuit is a very active circuit, in terms of social and educational events, but also in defending the interests of the circuit and the Bar on a national level. The last few months have been a particularly busy time.

Perhaps the most prominent appointment on circuit was that of Tony Cross QC as Chairman of the Criminal Bar Association. Prior to his appointment, Tony led the circuit’s opposition to the Government’s legal aid

agenda. As Chair he has worked tirelessly on behalf of the Criminal Bar at the forefront of opposition to the cuts, but also latterly leading the constructive negotiations with the Ministry of Justice as to the way forward for advocates’ fees.

The circuit has been pleased to see appointments to the Circuit Bench for circuiteers Paul Lawton, Stuart Driver QC and Tina Landale and three members taking silk in this year’s competition: Julia Cheetham, Lisa Roberts and Marc Willem.

The circuit was proud to welcome the Court of Appeal, presided over by the Lord Chief Justice, to Manchester for two days in December. The visit was marked by a black tie Christmas Mess held at the Midland Hotel. This was one of many very well attended messes arranged by the Circuit Junior, held in Manchester, Liverpool, Preston and Carlisle. It is not unknown for mess to be oversubscribed, with extra chairs being dragged out of storerooms, which is heartening to see in these straightened times!

As well as offering conviviality, the circuit has an important role to play in educating its members throughout their careers. The Continuing Education Committee works hard to ensure that training courses are organised which are relevant and of value to the members

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Court Manchester



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of the circuit. One such course, due to be held in March 2015, is a three day residential training course on the handling of expert witnesses, aimed principally at those under 10 years' Call.

A recent highlight in the educational calendar was the visit of the President of the Supreme Court, Lord Neuberger, to Manchester in January 2015 for an event organised by the Manchester Law Society and the circuit Commercial Bar Association.

Amongst all the activities in the North, the circuit's links with the Inns are as important as ever. The circuit has active representatives on the Inn's Circuit Committee and the Bar Liaison Committee. Members are actively involved in promoting the Inn on circuit, particularly to prospective student members.

On 2 March there was a successful and well attended outreach event held at Manchester Town Hall that provided local university students with the opportunity to meet members of the circuit to learn about life at the Bar.

On 10 June there will be a dinner to mark the visit to the circuit of the Reader Elect, Master Pittaway. Judges, members of the Bar, and students are all welcome at what promises to be a most enjoyable evening. Any members of the Inn from other circuits who find themselves practising up North in June, enduring lonely nights away from home would be most warmly welcomed.

Anyone wishing to attend should register their interest by emailing jhodgson@innertemple.org.uk for more details.

SIMON GURNEY
BLC NORTHERN CIRCUIT
REPRESENTATIVE



DINNER ON THE NORTHERN CIRCUIT WITH THE READER ELECT, MASTER PITTAWAY 10 JUNE 2015

Details: 7pm for 7.30pm

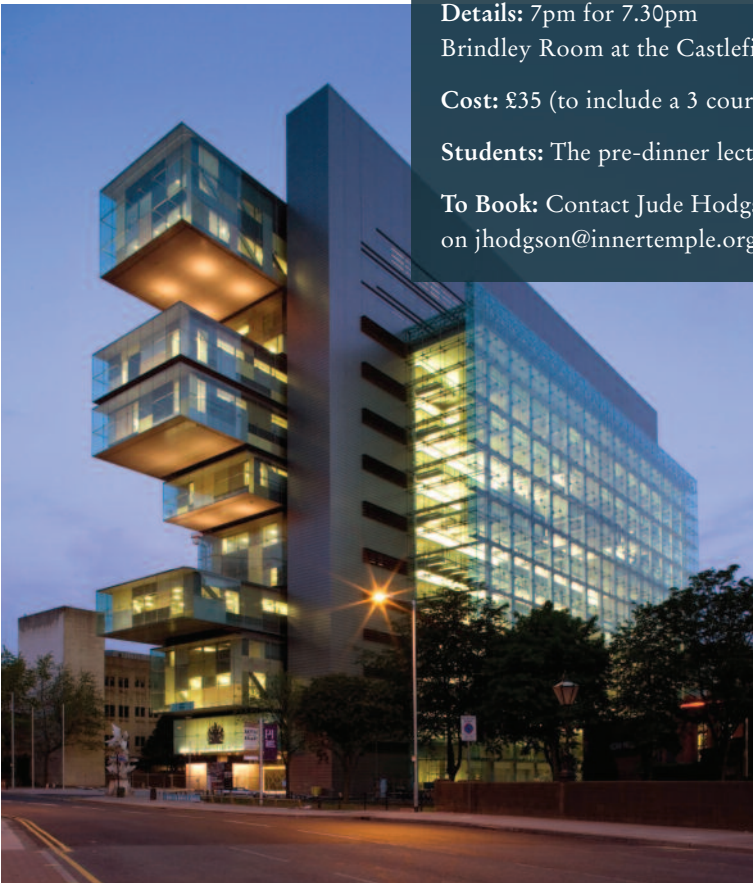
Brindley Room at the Castlefield Rooms, Manchester

Cost: £35 (to include a 3 course meal, wine and coffee/tea)

Students: The pre-dinner lecture is 6.15pm for 6.30pm.

To Book: Contact Jude Hodgson

on jhodgson@innertemple.org.uk or 020 7797 8206



Civil Justice Centre, Manchester

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SCHOOLS PROJECT

The Inner Temple Schools Project, led by Master O'Toole, is now in its seventh year! This programme works with Pathways to Law, the Social Mobility Foundation, National Education Trust and a number of universities' widening participation programmes to encourage further social mobility and diversity in the profession.

The Inner Temple is pleased to report that it is now working with a new external partner: Pure Potential. Pure Potential is an independent organisation which raises the aspirations of thousands of sixth-formers every

year, encouraging them to apply to and achieve offers from excellent universities. By working closely with Pure Potential, the Inn's Schools Project will be able to work with more students from across England and Wales, ensuring that school students can access the advice and guidance they need to make informed decisions about going to the Bar.

Further events for the students on the Pathways to Law programme will be taking place throughout the year. If you would like to volunteer for these activities, please contact **Lacara Barnes-Rowe**.

DINNERS FOR LEGAL ACADEMICS

The Inn holds three dinners for legal academics with around forty academics and members attending each. The first of this year's dinners took place in February, hosted by Master

Treasurer. If you are interested in our work with legal academics, please contact **Struan Campbell**.

UNIVERSITY SOCIETIES & REGIONAL RECEPTIONS

Building strong relationships with university student law and Bar societies is a key part of the Inn's outreach programme. Since the start of the New Year, over a dozen university societies have visited the Inn. In addition, we provide small grants for student societies to run their own events.

The Inn ran a successful reception in Manchester on 2 March for all prospective university students in the area. We were delighted by the support of our barrister and judicial members and Benchers who came to meet all those interested in a career at the Bar.

From left to right:
The Rt Hon Lord Justice Christopher Clarke,
The Rt Hon Mr Justice Andrew Smith,
Dr Jo Braithwaite and The Rt Hon Lord
Justice Aikens

ACADEMIC FELLOWS NETWORK

DEBATE ON BALANCING THE NEEDS OF NATIONAL SECURITY AND PROTECTING INDIVIDUAL RIGHTS IN TERRORISM CASES

Dr David Lowe, an Academic Fellow of the Inner Temple from Liverpool John Moores University, went head-to-head with his colleague, Dr Bleddyn Davies, in a debate on balancing the needs of national security and individual rights in cases of terrorism. The debate, supported by the Inner Temple, was held at the Racquet Club, Liverpool on the 29 January. The audience was a mixture of Inner Temple members and staff and students from the LJMU Law School and the University of Liverpool with over 70 attending the event. The event also attracted the attention of the local media.

LSE EVENT ON CONTRACTUAL ESTOPPEL

On 5 February, Dr Jo Braithwaite, an Academic Fellow of the Inner Temple from the LSE, gave a



paper about contractual estoppel at LSE. Contractual estoppel is a significant new doctrine which has emerged from recent financial markets case law, having been discussed at length in *Springwell Navigation Corp v JP Morgan Chase Bank* [2010] EWCA Civ 1221. The event was chaired by Professor Sarah Worthington, Downing Professor of the Laws of England and Fellow of Trinity College, Cambridge. The audience was a mix of senior academics and members of the judiciary. The event was generously funded by the Inner Temple and LSE's Law and Financial Markets Project.

Q&A DAY – CALLING ALL JUNIOR BARRISTERS!

The Question & Answer Day for prospective members is run in conjunction with the Junior Bar Association. This is an intensive annual event to be held on **21 June** for undergraduate students who wish to learn more about the work of

barristers and different areas of law. We would particularly welcome members of the Junior Bar who wish to be involved in this event. For more information, please contact **Struan Campbell**.

POLICE OFFICERS LEARN ABOUT THE WORKINGS OF A CRIMINAL TRIAL

Under the Inn's Police Liaison Scheme, an annual event was held at the Royal Courts of Justice on 13 February. The event, which aimed to inform police officers about the workings of a criminal trial, included a talk, a mock trial with an open jury and a question and answer session as well as a sentencing exercise. Forty officers attended from participating boroughs: Camden, Islington, Southwark and Lewisham. The E&T Department would like to thank all those members who helped at the event, in particular Master Morley, Osman Osman (25 Bedford Row) and Daniel O'Donoghue (pupil at 23 Essex Street) and all of the student helpers.

The Police Liaison Scheme, chaired by Master Simon Davis, gives student members the opportunity to accompany officers on patrol to learn more about the work of the police. So far this year, over 30 students have shadowed police officers, with many more visits planned. The aim of the scheme is to promote good relations between the police, Bar and judiciary and foster a greater understanding of the entire criminal justice system. This is part of the Inn's larger outreach work, which includes work with schools and educational charities. For more information about the Police Liaison Scheme please contact **Lacara Barnes-Rowe**.

INNER TEMPLE INTER-VARSITY DEBATING 2015

BELIZE HARRISON, PRESIDENT OF THE DEBATING SOCIETY

On Friday 16 and Saturday 17 January, the Inner Temple Debating Society hosted the annual Debating Inter-Varsity, sponsored by Blackstone Chambers. The IV is held in honour of the late Master Harrison, whose tireless dedication to the training of Bar students in advocacy made him a popular and respected member of the Inn.

The IV is one of the most prestigious debating competitions in the country, and this year's competition was particularly exciting. Not only was this year's IV one of the largest IVs in the history of the competition, it was also themed around the Magna Carta in celebration of the 800th anniversary of the sealing of the landmark charter. Over two days, students from across the UK debated a number of topical motions in Inner Temple and nearby chambers. 1 Hare Court and 11 King's Bench Walk very kindly allowed the Debating Society to use their rooms to accommodate the record number of teams.

The Grand Final took place on Saturday

evening and was held, for the very first time, in Temple Church. Participants were welcomed to the Church by the Verger. The Master of the Temple gave an entertaining and informative talk on the history of the Church and the Magna Carta. The Grand Final was judged by a panel of 22 of some of the most distinguished members of the Bar and the judiciary, including: the Treasurer, Master Laws, Master Toulson, Master Nice, Master Michael Spencer, Master Caroline Swift, Master Goss, Master Nugee, Master Moor, Master Taylor, Master Morley, Master Barraclough, Master Agnello, Master Reed, Master Hodge, Joanne Moss, Alan Maclean and Aneurin Brewer. The Grand Final was followed by a black tie reception and Awards Ceremony which took place during a candle lit dinner in Inner Temple Hall.

The quality of debates throughout the

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The Debating Society's commemorative Magna Carta wine



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competition was exceptionally high and the Grand Final showcased the very best of debating talent. The IV was won by Harish Natarajan and Gavin Illsley, who were awarded the Harrison Plate by Roger Harrison, Master Harrison's brother. The event was a great success with one participant commenting that *"debating the constitution in Temple Church in front of the greatest legal minds in the country validated all my years of debating"*.

To mark the occasion the society produced two promotional musical videos entitled *The Boys at the Bar* and *I'll never find another law*, which became YouTube hits. The society also created its very own commemorative Magna Carta wine.

The society would like to extend special thanks to the following:

- The Grand Final judging panel.
- Blackstone Chambers for generously sponsoring the event.
- 1 Hare Court and 11 King's Bench Walk for kindly offering us their rooms.
- The Verger of Temple Church and the Master of the Temple for allowing us to host the Grand Final in Temple Church, and for all of their logistical assistance.
- The Debating Society volunteers for assisting during the event. Their contribution was invaluable and we are very fortunate to have such committed and enthusiastic members.
- The members and staff of Inner Temple. In particular, the Treasurer, the Sub-Treasurer, Master Morley, the E & T Department and the Catering Department. We are very grateful for the Inn's unfailing support, without which the IV simply would not have been possible.

MAGNA CARTA SCHOOLS EVENT

On Friday 6 March, the Outreach Team ran an event entitled *Sovereignty, Liberty and the Legacy of Magna Carta* – this event was delivered in partnership with Cumberland Lodge and Egham Museum.

We invited Year 11 and 12 students from schools with over 30% Free School Meals and the majority of students were studying A Level History or Government Studies.

As part of this day the Inn developed a set of new schools debating resources focusing on the Magna Carta but adaptable to any issue. These will shortly be available on the Egham Museum Magna Carta website for use by any teacher in the UK.

The Inn had very positive feedback from the school students who attended, with a majority indicating that for the first time they had 'learned about the Magna Carta', 'detention without charge', 'how to debate' or 'how to structure an argument'.

One student wrote: *"It has really changed my perspective on the direction I will take with my university choices."*

The day focused on debating detention without charge. Working in small groups with BPTC students and pupils, the students learned how to debate and tested their skills by taking part in a mini British Parliament style debate.

The students also heard from Leslie Thomas QC (Garden Court Chambers) who brought the debate alive by helping to put the Magna Carta into a modern context.



Leslie Thomas QC speaking to students about the relevance of the Magna Carta.

INNER TEMPLE INTER-VARSITY MOOTING 2015

ZACHARY KELL, PRESIDENT OF INTER-VARSITY MOOTING

Congratulations are due to Jonathan Goddard and Michael Brett for winning this year's Inter-Varsity Moot. The team from Oxford Brookes met the runners-up from UCL in a close fifth and final round following a challenging day of mooting. An illustrious five member judicial panel sat for the final. The leading judgment was given by the Inn's Master of Moots, Master Brougham. Master Treasurer awarded the winners the Bhutan Cup, a gift from the King of Bhutan presented to the Inn at the 2014 Inter-Varsity. They also received a mini-pupillage from Tanfield Chambers.

The winners are due to return to the Inn on 26 October for the inaugural Magna Carta Moot. They will go up against the winners of the English Speaking Union's own inter-varsity competition in what has already been dubbed "the moot of all moots". It comes as part of the Inn's series of events celebrating the 800th anniversary of the charter.

The Inner Temple Inter-Varsity has gone from strength to strength over the years in order to provide one of the best mooting competitions in the country. This would not be

possible without the tireless help of the Inn and the Mooting Committee's student volunteers. Thank you to everyone who gave up their time to ensure the success of the event.

A special thanks must also be given to our sponsors, Tanfield Chambers and the ICLR. Charles Joseph from Tanfield, also a member of the Inn, constructed a fascinating and complex problem comprising issues around incorporation of terms, common law lien, conspiracy, and conversion. It gave all of our teams the opportunity to produce intellectually stimulating and creative submissions.

It has been an honour to lead the organisation of this moot with Meredith Major. We look forward to passing on the torch to those who are sure to organise an event just as commendable in 2016.

Master Treasurer and Master Brougham with winners, Jonathan Goddard and Michael Brett





ITSA BURNS NIGHT

JOHN PAUL NAHOUS, ITSA TREASURER

ITSA getting ready for the Burns Night Celebrations

It was a night of Highland festivities on 30 January as the Inner Temple Students' Association (ITSA) hosted their annual Burns Night Supper, a night on which the life and works of Scottish poet Robert Burns are celebrated. Upon being seated for dinner the sound of bagpipes filled the Inner Temple Hall as the Haggis, in all its glory, was paraded around those gathered, after which it was duly addressed, cut open and toasted. In keeping with the night's tradition, the Selkirk Grace preceded a meal of cock-a-leekie soup and, of course, the haggis accompanied by neeps and tatties.

Dinner was followed by a captivating talk on the life and works of Robert Burns. The guest speaker, Burns scholar Andrew Brown's account of the poet gave a fuller appreciation

of the celebration and added further character to what was already a delightful evening. A toast to Burns followed to end the speech and dinner; however, such an event would have been incomplete without traditional music and dancing. Following dinner, the Hall was quickly transformed into a bustling ceilidh. A traditional ceilidh band played as people flocked to the dancefloor throwing themselves into each of the reels with energy and delight, ending the festivities on a high note.

The Inner Temple Students' Association would like to express their gratitude to all those who attended, and to those who had a hand in the preparation and execution. It was truly an amazing and memorable evening.

A CARDIFF CHRISTMAS QUALIFYING SESSION

ROSALEE DORFMAN AND WILLIAM REES

It was a typical Cardiff winter's night. Rain squallied in from the Bristol Channel. As we say in Welsh, "*Mae hi wedi'n bwrw hen wragedd a ffyn*" (raining old women and sticks)!

11 BPTC students cwtched together, walked from Cardiff Law School to 30 Park Place Chambers for the first leg of their qualifying session. Cold, wet and bedraggled, they were warmly welcomed into Chambers.

Three papers were delivered on topics of current legal importance. The papers had been kindly organized through the efforts of Master Parsley. The first was delivered by Luke Garrett and concerned tactics and approaches to use with regard to sentencing guidelines. Rhys Taylor delivered the second on direct access. This is particularly pertinent

because of the opportunities for junior barristers in this line of work, a fact which has been recognized by senior members of the judiciary. The third paper was presented by Joe Al-Khayat, and concerned cost management since the Jackson reforms.

We trudged through the rain once more towards the Hilton Restaurant. Cracking the Christmas crackers and sharing a delicious meal, the Inner Templars and guests celebrated the end of term and welcomed the festive season.

A special thanks to 30 Park Place Chambers and Inner Temple.



Panel session at the Highgate House Social Media weekend

STUDENT RESIDENTIAL WEEKENDS

Each year the Inn hosts three residential weekend qualifying sessions for its BPTC students. The weekends serve to provide the students with the opportunity to meet senior members of the Inn, develop their advocacy skills in a relaxed and informal atmosphere and hear from high profile experts in the area of law under discussion.

The December weekend, entitled *Who Cares? Care Proceedings and the Family Courts* considered the approach of the courts to public law care proceedings. A highly informative panel of speakers included Master Peter Jackson, Uma Mehta, (Chief Lawyer, Corporate Law and Community Services Team, London Borough of Islington), P J Lewis (Social worker, Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea), William Tyler QC (36 Bedford Row) and Dorothy Pottinger (Children Guardian, Cafcass). The weekend was a great success and our thanks go to all students, barristers, judges and speakers involved – in particular to Master Moor, Master Judith Hughes and Paul Infield who organised the weekend.

The weekend at Highgate House in Northamptonshire in February, entitled *Challenges and Opportunities - Can our Legal System Cope with Social Media?*, examined the positive and negative impact of social media on our legal system. Students heard from an excellent panel of speakers including Master Maddison, Master Cheryl Thomas (University College London), Carl Gardner (barrister and legal blogger), Charles Parry (Pump Court Chambers) and Simon Phillips QC (New Park Court Chambers). Again, the weekend was a great success and we would like to thank all the students who attended as well as our barrister and judicial members, many from the Northern and North Eastern circuits, who taught at the weekend. In particular, we would like to thank Master Mark George and Andrew Long for organising the weekend, David Temkin for helping to produce the materials, and Master Birkett for his acting skills.

EDUCATION DAY & LECTURE NIGHT

The topic of the 2015 Reader's Lecture Series is *Inner Templars who have Helped Change the World*. The first lecture in the series was given on 19 January by Dr George Garnett of Oxford University on the topic of *Why Good Lawyers are such Bad Historians: Sir Edward Coke*.

The topic of this year's Education Day on 16 February was Ethics and Pupillage. Sessions included ethical discussion groups and talks from various pupils and barristers on their experiences of applying for, and practising at, the Bar. The Education Day was immediately followed by the second lecture in this year's Lecture Series. The lecture was given by The Rt Hon The Lord Boateng on the

topic of *Gandhi: Constitutionalism and the Legacy of Non Violent Direct Action in Sub-Saharan Africa*.

We would like to thank all the member volunteers who participated in the Education Day. If you are a barrister and would like to volunteer your services for a future Education Day, please contact **Kerry Upham**.

The Education Day and Lecture Series are accredited as qualifying sessions for students. The Lecture Series is also accredited for CPD. Details of the remaining lectures in this series as well as transcripts of former lectures can be found on the Inn's website: www.innertemple.org.uk/education/lecture-series-2015

EDUCATION & TRAINING DEPARTMENT

CALL TO THE BAR APPLICATIONS DEADLINE

The closing date for submitting applications for Call to the Bar is Friday 24 April. The Inn must have received a fully completed application by this date if you wish to be called at any of the ceremonies held this year.

All current BPTC students were sent a Call to the Bar application pack in February. If you have not received your copy, all relevant documents are available to download from the Inn's website.

PRACTICE MANAGEMENT COURSE

On the 10 January, the Inn hosted its annual *Practice Management Course* for pupils. This course offers advice to pupils on how to run their practice as a business in the modern world and provides information on the various obligations of new practitioners including financial management, ethics, marketing, and the organisational aspects of the business of

being a barrister. We could not have provided the course without the participation of volunteers. We would like to thank all who helped, particularly the clerks and solicitors as well as the Sub-Treasurer and Master Malecka, who gave the introductory talk, and Alastair Hodge for his tireless work as Course Director and speaker.

MOCK INTERVIEW SCHEME

The Mock Interview Scheme aims to help students develop their interview technique and build up confidence prior to pupillage interviews. This scheme is at its busiest in April-June and we

are therefore seeking barristers to assist with the scheme. If you are interested in participating as an interviewing barrister, please contact **Lacara Barnes-Rowe**.

PUPILS ADVOCACY COURSE

So far this year, Inner Temple members have secured 116 first-six pupillages. In order to gain a practising certificate, first-six pupils must attend and pass an assessed advocacy course run by their Inn or circuit. The second of the Inn's annual compulsory advocacy courses for pupils took place between January and March, attended by 46 pupils. The course

comprises several sessions at the Inn (trial preparation, case analysis, interlocutory applications and mock trials) as well as a weekend of intensive advocacy training and video-review at Wotton House. We would like to thank the Inn's dedicated advocacy trainers for giving up numerous evenings and weekends to teach the Inn's pupils.



One-to-one video review at the pupils' advocacy training weekend

NEW PRACTITIONERS ADVOCACY & ETHICS COURSE: JUNE 2015

There are a few places remaining for the June New Practitioners course. From 2015, there are two parts to the course: a residential weekend which includes the 9 hours advocacy requirement, and an Ethics Evening at the Inn, providing the full 3 hours ethics requirement.

The weekend event takes place from the evening of Friday 5 June to lunchtime on Sunday 7 June at Wotton House in Dorking, Surrey and costs £250 including

accommodation, meals, course materials and a place on the coach to and from the venue. Participants will have the opportunity to cross-examine real expert accountant witnesses. The Ethics evening is also included in this fee and will take place at the Inn on Monday 15 June from 5.30pm to 8.30pm. Participants will discuss ethical problems in a mock conference setting with solicitors. Places are available for civil and criminal groups. To book, please contact **David Miller**.

THE PARIS BAR EXCHANGE

An exchange programme for barristers of all four Inns of Court who have been in practice for up to five years, the Paris Bar Exchange offers the opportunity to spend the month of September doing a stage in Paris. Avocat members of the Paris Bar of similar seniority spend the month of July doing a stage in London. The Bar of Paris with the Paris Bar School (EFB) offers the following stage to up to four barristers:

- An introductory seminar and other activities at the EFB
- A stage in an avocat's office, preferably specialising in the barrister's field of practice
- Attendance at hearings of both interlocutory injunction applications and criminal proceedings
- Visits to the Palais de Justice, an administrative tribunal or the Conseil d'Etat with some marshalling
- Meetings between young avocats and barristers and a reception
- Conducting a mock trial in the Palais de Justice in French before French judges

Candidates for the exchange programme (who must speak fluent French) should apply no later than Friday 15 May 2015 by Lettre de motivation in French with CV (in French & English) and financial budget to:

Piers Gardner Esq
c/o Eamonn O'Reilly
Treasury Building
London EC4Y 7HL

Tel: 0207 797 8210 Fax: 0207 797 8212
Email: pegasus@innertemple.org.uk

Interviews will take place in late May in the Inner Temple. While candidates will be responsible for their own travel, keep and accommodation, a lump sum of £750 towards costs will be payable by the Pegasus Trust. Successful completion of the exchange programme will entitle participants to 10 CPD points.

The exchanges have been a great success, both in Paris and London, since 1999.

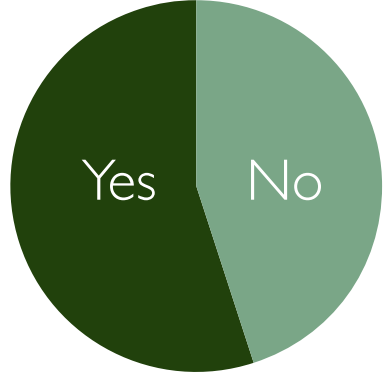
EDUCATION & TRAINING DEPARTMENT

STUDENT SURVEY 2014-2015

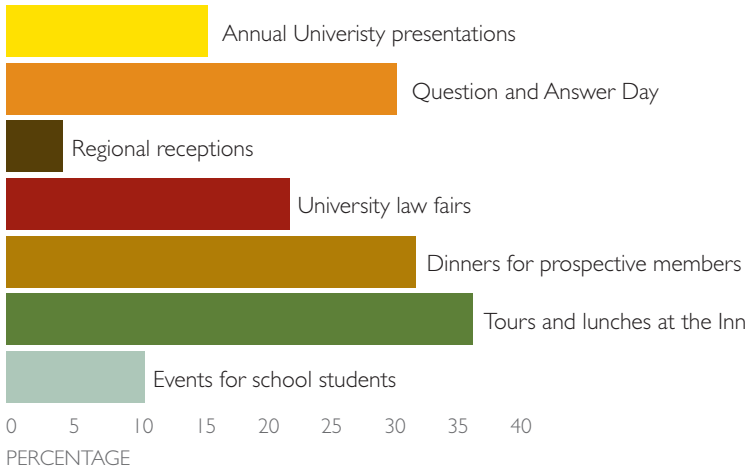
This year's 309 BPTC students were surveyed, of whom 211 responded as follows:

DID YOU APPLY FOR A SCHOLARSHIP AT THE INNER TEMPLE?

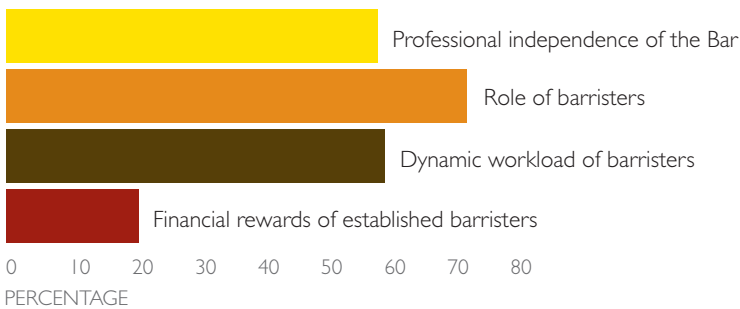
■ 55% Yes
■ 45% No



INNER TEMPLE EVENTS THAT YOU ATTENDED BEFORE JOINING THE INN

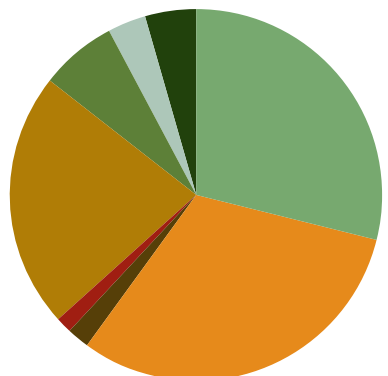


WHAT WERE THE MAIN FACTORS FOR YOU WHEN DECIDING BETWEEN A CAREER AT THE BAR AND OTHER LEGAL PROFESSIONS



WHAT WAS THE MOST IMPORTANT FACTOR AFFECTING YOUR DECISION OF WHICH INN TO JOIN?

- 28.9% Scholarships
- 31.3% Education & training opportunities
- 1.9% Student groups/societies
- 1.4% Library
- 22.3% Atmosphere
- 6.6% Academic or family connections
- 3.3% Website
- 4.3% Other





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LIBRARY NEWS

SATURDAY OPENING

OPENING HOURS 10AM TO 5PM
APRIL - JUNE 2015

APRIL

4 April	CLOSED
11 April	Middle Temple
18 April	Gray's Inn
25 April	Inner Temple

MAY

2 May	Lincoln's Inn
9 May	Middle Temple
16 May	Gray's Inn
23 May	CLOSED
30 May	Inner Temple

JUNE

6 June	Lincoln's Inn
13 June	Middle Temple
20 June	Gray's Inn
27 June	Inner Temple

ANNUAL REVIEW

The Library's annual review of activities for 2014 is now on the website www.innertemplelibrary.org.uk.

LEGAL RESEARCH TRAINING

Our next series of training sessions for new pupils on various aspects of legal research will be in April and May. The first session, which provides an overview of legal research, takes place on Tuesday 14 April between 5.30pm and 7.30pm. The second and third sessions take place on the evenings of Tuesday 21 April and Tuesday 5 May between 5.30pm and 6.45pm and will cover updating cases and legislation. Pupils wishing to attend the sessions may register for a place by emailing trainingsessions@innertemple.org.uk.

www.innertemplelibrary.com

CURRENT AWARENESS UPDATE

The Current Awareness blog continues to grow in both size and popularity. In 2014 we added a total of 4,609 posts, bringing the archive up to a grand total of 38,085. The archive is searchable or browsable by subject category, and there are now 1,103 categories. On average we have 20,000 unique visitors to the site each month and there are 2,686 subscribers via email or RSS feed and 5,914 Twitter followers. Our statistics show that 85% of users access the blog via a desktop computer and 15% via a tablet or mobile device. A more detailed annual report on the Current Awareness service can be viewed via the Library website.

Current Awareness
from the Inner Temple Library

About The Library Legal Links Transcripts Classifieds

Gender equality and diversity in the judiciary – two years later and little has changed – Halsbury's Law Exchange

Posted March 10th, 2015 in *news* by *tracey*

'In 2009, when asked by the then Lord Chancellor to look at judicial diversity, Baroness Neuberger said: "Judges drawn from a wide range of backgrounds and life experiences will bring varying perspectives to bear on critical legal issues. A judiciary which is more visibly reflective of society will enhance public confidence." Although it would appear that even 6 years later, not a lot has changed.'

Full story

Halsbury's Law Exchange, 9th March 2015

Source: www.halsburyslawexchange.co.uk

Number of judicial review applications falls from 15,600 to 4,000 – Litigation Futures

Posted March 10th, 2015 in *news* by *tracey*

'The number of judicial review applications lodged at the High Court fell from 15,600 to just 4,062 last year – caused mainly, but not entirely by the transfer of immigration and asylum cases to the Upper Tribunal.'

Current Awareness is a blog from the Inner Temple Library providing up-to-date information on new case law, changes in legislation and legal news from England and Wales.

WALLACE HOBBS
WOMEN'S AWARDS

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TOP FIVE REASONS FOR USING THE LIBRARY

We asked members of the newly formed Library Users' Group for their top five reasons for using the Library. Their responses, which are listed below, echo the views of respondents to the 2013 Library surveys, who also commented on the importance of having extensive hard copy collections and online resources provided in a quiet and spacious working environment, with knowledgeable staff on hand to assist with research queries.

BPTC STUDENT

1. A beautiful, tranquil, spacious place to work
2. Convenient central location
3. Access to a far better and wider range of textbooks and practitioner works than any University library
4. Feeling closer to the world of practice, and being able to see that the goal of bar studies is the first development of one's career
5. Access to the rest of Inner Temple's facilities in non-study time - in particular, being able to take lunch and breaks in the gardens

PUPIL

1. A beautiful environment in which to work
2. A spacious place in which to work
3. To use the PCs
4. To read legal journals
5. To read textbooks

PUPIL

1. Having knowledgeable staff I can ask research questions of and who can direct me to appropriate resources
2. The range of materials accessible (practitioner texts, specialist law reports)
3. Fantastic quiet place to work out of chambers
4. Somewhere I can pop into quickly, research a point, make relevant photocopies, and head off
5. It is conveniently close to chambers

YOUNG BARRISTER

1. Niche or specialised textbooks beyond the mainstream which tend to be stocked by chambers
2. Quiet study to avoid phone calls etc.
3. Commonwealth resources for comparative and Privy Council work
4. Online journals and periodicals which are

beyond the mainstream which tend to be subscribed to by chambers

5. Researching old editions

BARRISTER

1. Breadth of the collection – practitioner texts both common and slightly obscure
2. Quiet, conducive to work environment
3. Out of (noisy) chambers but in the Inn
4. Accessibility of online resources
5. Help from knowledgeable librarians

BARRISTER

1. Most research tools I require are available in one place a stone's throw from my chambers.
2. Maintains the highest standard of staffing and professionalism. Invariably I find that any time I need some advice or assistance it is always highly informed and readily forthcoming.
3. There is a positive sense of well-being there as in all superbly conducted institutions – the 5 star feeling!
4. Added to which a physical environment created by the happy coalition of atmosphere control, lighting and design is second to none. I hope this combination is not interfered with because it would be hard if not impossible to replicate both technically, I guess, and aesthetically.
5. I also value the word-processing dedicated areas on the Gallery floor.

BARRISTER

1. Room H, and Law Reports
2. Online services such as Lexis, especially Halsbury's Laws, Encyclopaedia of Forms and Precedents, Atkin's Court Forms
3. Archive, previous editions, e.g. of the White Book for appeals in Gibraltar
4. Librarians' knowledge
5. Quiet place to work (and think!)

CONTINUED OVERLEAF

CONTINUED FROM OVERLEAF

BARRISTER

1. Quiet space for study, with minimal distractions (and thus providing a useful refuge from chambers when required)
2. Document supply service. Working from home fairly often as I do, I have found this to be very helpful indeed.
3. Comprehensive hard-copy access to a wide range of law reports. (Online searching is all well and good, but one frequently needs ready access to the hard copy).
4. Emotional attachment (a poor reason, I concede, but IT gave me a scholarship, I carried out all my studies for the BVC in the Library, and the place does exert a strong emotional pull).

5. Textbooks. We do not have an up-to-date chambers library, the decision having been taken about 5 years ago that commercial practitioners should be able to afford their own. That is not, sadly, the case. Access to an au courant textbook collection is invaluable (all the more so given the helpful handlist).

QC

1. Tranquil and still place to work in (this is very rare in our line of work)
2. Resources and facilities all in one place
3. Knowledgeable and helpful staff
4. Proximity to chambers
5. Ideal as place to gather your thoughts - particularly before a case is due to start

Gallery PCs with access to catalogues, subscription databases and office software



ARCHIVES MUSA ALAMI (1897-1984)

ENGLISH BARRISTER AND ARAB NATIONALIST

Musa Alami was called to the Bar by Inner Temple in 1924, the same year that he graduated in Law from Trinity Hall, Cambridge. Born in Jerusalem into a prosperous Syrian family his extraordinary life spanned service in the Ottoman Empire, the British Mandate, and the Jordanian West Bank until its incorporation into the state of Israel in 1967.

He was called to the Bar “In Absentia” because he had returned to Jerusalem to be with his ailing father but had nonetheless brought back his wig and gown so that his family could see him properly dressed as an English barrister.

Both his father and grandfather had been Mayors of Jerusalem so he knew the local political scene well. He was soon recruited into the government legal service of the British mandate rising to become Assistant Attorney General and, for a while, Private Secretary to the High Commissioner, Sir Arthur Wauchope.

However his commitment to peaceful co-existence seems to have earned him the distrust of Jewish and Arab leaders alike at a time when tensions were rising, to say nothing of British officials who thought he had risen above his station. Nevertheless he attended the various conferences which were considering the vexed question of partition for what was now being called Palestine and where he met David Ben-Gurion. In particular the London conference in 1938 with Prime Minister Chamberlain presiding and following earlier “round tables” on Indian independence attended by another of our distinguished alumni, Mohandass Gandhi.

Clement Attlee, Bencher of Inner Temple and British Prime Minister from 1945 to 1951, must have reflected on the irony of a united India being partitioned while the UN partition plans for Palestine were disregarded, and with terrible consequences for all those displaced.

With the creation of the state of Israel in 1948, Musa’s services were no longer required and he retired to Jericho, then incorporated into Jordan, where he established an orphanage for destitute Arab boys displaced by the 1948 war. The Ford Foundation were generous benefactors. There is a happy picture of the boys splashing about in a swimming pool brimming with water from the wells that Musa and his friends dug by hand. Hundreds of these boys are today his heirs. His friends from all over the world attended his funeral at the Al Aqsa mosque in Jerusalem. It had also been, for a time, the headquarters of the Knights Templar in a more distant turbulent age.



The story of Musa Alami is told in his biography *Palestine is my Country* by Sir Geoffrey Furlonge

HISTORY SOCIETY LECTURES 2015

THE PRIME MINISTER AND HIS MISTRESS

BY MASTER OLIVER POPPLEWELL
WEDNESDAY 1 JULY 2015
5.30PM FOR 6PM



The infamous relationship between HH Asquith and Venetia Stanley will be explored by Master Popplewell in the Summer History Society lecture on the 1 July.

The Prime Minister and his Mistress is the astonishing story of the love affair between 60 year old Asquith and 22 year old Venetia Stanley. Between 1912 and 1915 he wrote over five hundred and fifty of the most passionate love letters to her. His to her were published some years ago - hers to him no longer exist. He would write to her every day, sometimes twice a day, sometimes three times a day and occasionally four times. In cabinet a messenger would come in with a letter from Venetia. Asquith would read the letter, write an answer, and send it off while the rest of the cabinet continued their discussions. They regularly went out for long drives and stayed away together. In peace time he sought her advice on political matters and during the war confided all sorts of top secret information to her. Thus, *"We have just finished Cabinet. Winston and I have decided we will invade the Dardenelles next week. It is secret so don't tell anyone."*

Asquith was married twice. First to Helen, by whom he had five children, and then to Margot who gave birth also to five children,

two of whom survived. After a distinguished academic career, he struggled at the Bar until finally appearing in a number of famous cases like the Carbolic Smoke Ball Company. At 40 he became Home Secretary and in 1908 Prime Minister.

In 1915 Venetia married Edwin Montagu (Asquith's private secretary) and converted to Judaism. It was an unhappy marriage. She found him physically unattractive. She had a daughter of whom Edwin was not the father, and later she became the mistress of Lord Beaverbrook and Lord Dudley.

When the letters were published Roy Jenkins described the affair as an epistolary relationship. The book suggests a more intimate relationship to be found in the final clue. 1912 Margot was told she must have no more children. Is it therefore in anyway surprising if Asquith, now banished from the matrimonial bed, having already sired 10 children, should find comfort and pleasure in the 22 year old Venetia Stanley.

The lecture will be followed by a Q&A session. An informal bowl food dinner will also be available for those who wish to continue the discussion afterwards.

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www.historysocietylecture3.eventbrite.co.uk

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GARDEN NEWS

ANDREA BRUNSENDORF
HEAD GARDENER

STAKING IN SPEEDING SPRINGTIME

Structures made from hazel supporting peonies

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This is the time when every area of the garden starts to require our attention: the perennials and ornamental grasses, which provided us with valuable winter interest, need to be cut down and divided, the roses and hydrangeas pruned and fed, the self-sowers in the borders thinned out, the wisteria treated with a solution to protect the swelling buds from hungry pigeons, seeds need to be sown in the nursery, the lawn requires its necessary spring repairs, and the glasshouse needs a lick of shade paint. The list goes on, and even with the best scheduling and managing, the onset of spring can feel a little bit rushed. In all the urgency, the important task of staking the perennials can be easily overlooked, as the summer-flowering plants have barely broken into growth. But believe me, it is one of the most important jobs that you can do in the spring as it creates the backbone of an ongoing summer display.

I know that many of us think of staking as a tedious chore, but it is better to get backache early in the season than heartache after a summer storm. Only a few people have a completely sheltered garden, and most of us have to contend with wind from all or any direction that will affect our plants and displays. The 'Chelsea chop' can be an effective and preventive solution against wind damage, although care is needed not to overdo it as you might end up with a very late flowering. Relying solely on self-supporting or dwarf cultivars isn't satisfying at all: it is far better to allow plants to reach their natural potential.

Pea-sticks are the most versatile and natural method for supporting multi-stemmed

perennials up to 1.7m, and the most pleasing to the eye. Pea-sticks are young twiggy branches of birch, hornbeam and hazel (I prefer the latter as they are flexible for longer), which are woven into intricate structures to contain tall asters, campanulas, monkshoods, sprawling geraniums, herbaceous clematis and peonies. To do this yourself, cut the thick end of the branches to a point and push them into the soil around the plant or plant group every 30cm. Bend the tops to form a frame roughly three-quarters of the height of the plant. Randomly weave the twigs together, making a rock-steady and airy structure. This is done in February and March and it's necessary to know the various heights of the perennials, either by keeping a note from the previous year or by researching the dimensions for newly acquired ones. It is my favourite technique; it's creative, effective and has the advantage of looking good whilst the borders are bare. The only drawback is that they become hopelessly brittle by the end of the year. It can be difficult to find pea-sticks, but a few specialist plant centres might stock them in February, or a local coppicer will probably be grateful to find an outlet for his 'waste'.

It is mesmerising how a day spent on working with hazel twigs and weaving supportive and beautiful frames can provide a calming respite from the seemingly endless to-do-list of spring. Despite the inevitable busyness of the season, we are reassured that we make it through with the help of talented and efficient gardeners and our committed volunteers. Our efforts of 'going that extra spring mile' are always rewarded by a blooming summer display for the enjoyment of everyone.

STAFF NEWS



LILIAN SHERWOOD retires at Easter after eighteen years' dedicated service to the Inn and the Temple Church. Having joined the Collector's Department in 1997 as

Accounts Clerk, Lilian took over the role of Assistant Collector in 2000. As the person entrusted with the Inn's accounts and payroll, Lilian has always been a model of discretion, integrity and accuracy. The Inn's loss will be her family's gain.



JIM STEPHENSON retires in April after more than 10 years' service. Jim joined the Inn in 2004, and as one of the Inner Temple Porters he has been as an integral part of the Inn's

security and a familiar face to many who live and work in the Inn. His previous career in the Navy gave him the experience to deal with any situation that arose here. However, the lure of the sea, his family and new a dog have led him back to civilian life. Jim, and his extensive knowledge of sea shanties, will be greatly missed by everyone at the Inn.



EMMA PRAYER We are delighted that Emma Prayer returned to work in February after her maternity leave and has agreed to take on the challenge of juggling

motherhood with promotion to the role of Assistant Collector.



LUCY ROWLEY has joined the Inner Temple as a seasonal gardener to assist with the care and maintenance of the garden during the busy spring and autumn periods. She comes

to the Inn after successfully completing traineeships with the historic Chelsea Physic Garden and the acclaimed Cambridge Botanic Garden. We are very pleased to welcome Lucy to our small garden team.



LACARA BARNES-ROWE joined the Education & Training team in January as the Outreach Coordinator, working alongside the Outreach Manager. She has

significant experience of working directly with young people in a number of contexts, including the charity and higher education sectors. In Lacara's first few months she has already made a significant impact on the work of the Outreach team.

LONG SERVICE

Congratulations to the following members of staff who have recently completed significant periods of service to the Inn:

20 YEARS

Steve Hanks (Carpenter)

10 YEARS

Henrietta Amodio (Head of Treasury Office)

THE TEMPLE CHURCH EASTER TERM



Friday 10 April until Sunday 19 April,
7.30 pm and 6.30 pm on Sundays

SHAKESPEARE: KING JOHN

A Globe Theatre production at the Temple Church. Box office 020 7401 9919.

Tuesday 21 April, 7.00 pm

A COMMEMORATION OF THE LIBERATION OF THE CONCENTRATION CAMPS IN 1945

Bergen Belsen was liberated by the British Army on 15 April 1945. We remember the horrors of the camps and of the Holocaust in music linked with the camps, in original film footage and in prayers led by Rabbis Helen Freeman and Jackie Tabick. We gratefully welcome Eve Oppenheimer, survivor of Bergen Belsen, who will speak of her time there. The Temple Singers will be joined by the West London Synagogue Choir. Tickets £20, £15, £10.

To book: www.templemusic.org
or 020 7427 5641.

Sunday 26 April, 11.15 am

EASTER CAROL SERVICE

Music: Vaughan Williams, *Five Mystical Songs*; Handel, *As by man came death*. Followed by a quiet lunch in Middle Temple.

To book for lunch: Contact **Catherine de Satgé**.

Please note: access to the Temple by car on 26 April (London Marathon) is via Fleet Street only not the Embankment.

Thursday 30 April, 6.00 pm

BOOK LAUNCH: MAGNA CARTA, RELIGION AND THE RULE OF LAW

(Cambridge University Press, 2015). Edited by The Reverend Robin Griffith-Jones and Professor the Worshipful Mark Hill.

Wednesday 13 May, 6.30 pm

LECTURE FOLLOWING THE RESULTS OF THE GENERAL ELECTION

With Professor Vernon Bogdanor CBE, Research Professor at the Institute for Contemporary British History at King's College London, Professor of Politics at the New College of Humanities and an Honorary Bencher of Middle Temple.

Thursday 21 May, 7.00 pm

CONCERT: THE TEMPLE CHURCH CHOIR

Mozart, *Requiem Mass in D minor* and *Ave Verum Corpus*. Schubert, *Mass No. 2 in G major*. Roger Sayer, conductor. Tickets £35, £25, £15, £10. For further information and to book: www.templemusic.org. The concert will be recorded for broadcast on Classic FM.

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GEORGE INSCOE WALFORD DAVIES ORGAN SCHOLARSHIP

The Temple Church is pleased to announce that George Inscoe has been awarded the new Walford Davies Organ Scholarship. Currently a 2nd year scholar at the Royal Academy of Music, George was previously a chorister at Canterbury Cathedral. The scholarship will begin in September 2015 for one year.

Temple Music Foundation



Tuesday 21 April 7pm
The Temple Church
£20 £15 £10

A Commemoration of the Liberation of the Concentration Camps in 1945

Including:

Eli Eli Lamah Sabachtani
Verdi Requiem (Sanctus)
Ani Ma'amin 'The Hymn of the Camps'
Pärt De Profundis
Bernstein Chichester Psalms (Final Movement)

On 15 April 1945 the concentration camp at Bergen Belsen was liberated by the British Army; the live reports from Richard Dimbleby alerted the United Kingdom to the horrors of the camp and of the Holocaust. On 21 April we remember the events of those years, from 1938 through the Nazi's Wannsee Conference of 1942 to the Nuremberg Trials, in music linked with the camps, in the words of survivors, in original film footage and in prayers led by Rabbis Helen Freeman and Jackie Tabick. The Temple Singers and Choristers of the Temple Church Choir will be joined by the West London Synagogue Choir.

In collaboration with The Temple Church.

This concert is generously sponsored by a group of individuals.

Wednesday 29 April 7pm
Middle Temple Hall
£45 £35 £25 £20 £15 £5

Temple Song 2015

Julius Drake & Friends

Roderick Williams *baritone*
Mark Padmore *tenor*
Rory Kinnear *reader*
Julius Drake *piano*

Songs of the Sea. Including works by: Brahms, Eliot, Fauré, Hardy, Haydn, Lear, Schubert, Kipling and Tennyson.

Acclaimed singers Mark Padmore and Roderick Williams are joined by celebrated actor Rory Kinnear for a programme of music and readings inspired by the sea- an uncompromising and volatile force of nature that has inspired countless artists over the centuries.

A glass of wine during the interval is included in the ticket price.

This concert is generously sponsored by Fountain Court Chambers.



Tuesday 5 May 7pm
Middle Temple Hall
£45 £35 £25 £20 £15 £5

Temple Song 2015

Odyssey of Love: Liszt and His Women

Lucy Parham *piano*
Juliet Stevenson *narrator*
Henry Goodman *narrator*

Acclaimed British pianist Lucy Parham performs alongside two distinguished thespians, continuing her series of trailblazing concerts that vividly unite music and text. Skilfully scripted by Parham, *Odyssey of Love* draws on the repertoire and letters of Franz Liszt to illuminate the colourful life story of this prolific musician, child prodigy, keyboard virtuoso and hopeless romantic.

A glass of wine during the interval is included in the ticket price.

This concert is generously sponsored by the R&I Pilkington Trust.

Booking Information

On line: www.templemusic.org
 By phone: **020 7427 5641**
 (messages can be left on the answering machine)
 By email: tmf@templechurch.com

By post:
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DIARY

EASTER TERM 2015

APRIL

- 1 Hilary Term Law Sittings End
Schools Project: Pathways to Law
- 2 Hall Closes
Holy Communion: Maundy Thursday
- 3 Choral Mattins: Good Friday
- 4 Easter Vigil: Holy Saturday
- 5 Choral Communion: Easter Sunday
- 13 Hall Opens
Education & Training Committee
- 14 Easter Term Law Sittings Begin
- 15 Books Sub-Committee
- 17-19 New Practitioners' Residential Weekend
- 19 Easter Carol Service
- 20 Bar Liaison Committee
- 21 Executive Committee
- 22 Library Committee
- 27** Student Societies Sub-Committee
Temple Women's Forum
- 28 Investment Sub-Committee
Dinner for Legal Academics

Key

- **Qualifying Sessions**
- **Bencher only Events**
- **Special Events**

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MAY

- 5 Estates Committee
- 6 Pension Scheme Trustees
Dinner for New Silks
- 7 Bench Table
Pupil Supervisors' Training Session
- 11** Advocacy Training Committee
Mixed Dining Night
- 12** **Inns' Magna Carta Lecture Series (LI)**
(The Rt Hon The Lord Neuberger of Abbotsbury)
Dinner for Academic Fellows
- 14** Circuits Committee
Choral Evensong: Celebration of the City Charter followed by Reception and Dinner
- 18 Bar Liaison Committee
London Legal Walk
- 19 Executive Committee
Cumberland Lodge & Highgate Dinner
- 20 Scholarships Committee
COIC Board Meeting (LI)
- 22 Hall Closes
Easter Term Law Sittings End

PROCEDURES FOR BOOKING MASTERS OF THE BENCH:

- Private Guest Nights: sign in and give the name of your guest in the Private Guest Night book in the Drawing Room, or contact **Kate Peters**
- Call Nights: contact **Kerry Upham**
- All other Dining Nights and Term Sunday Lunches: sign in the Book in the Drawing Room, or contact **Kate Peters**

MEMBERS OF HALL:

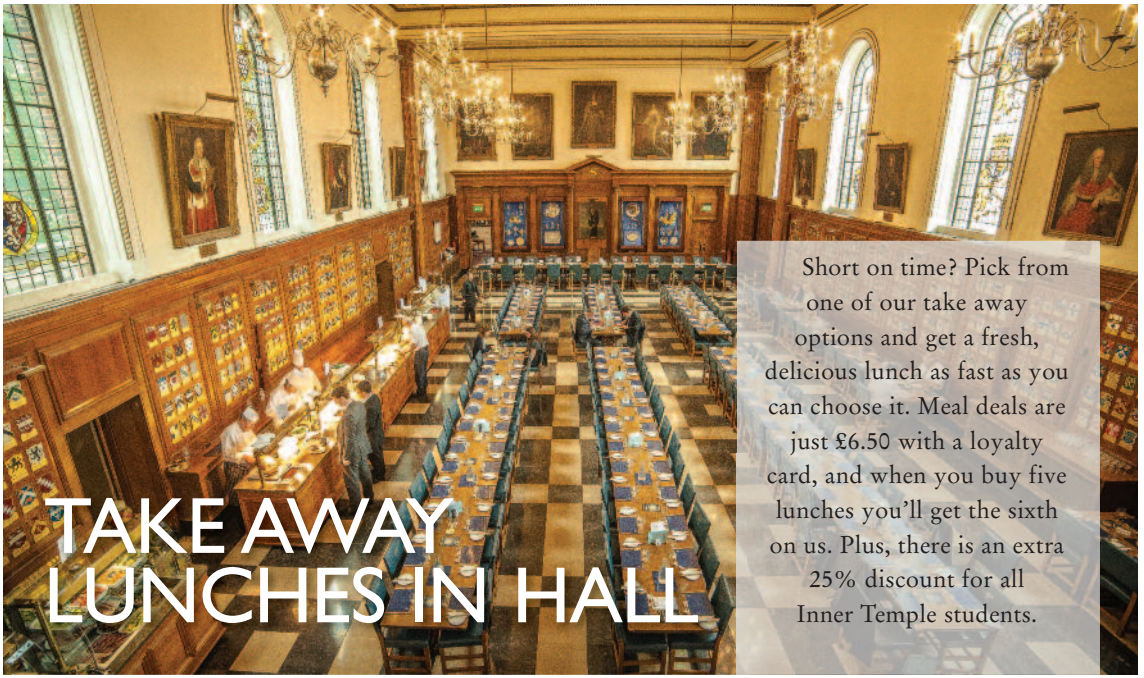
- Private Guest Nights: **Kate Peters**
- Call Nights: **Kerry Upham**
- All other Dining Nights and Term Sunday Lunches: **Jacqueline Fenton** or <https://www.innerqualifyingsessions.org.uk/>
- All special dinners: **Kate Peters**

JUNE

- 1 Hall Opens
- 2 Trinity Term Law Sittings Begin

STUDENTS:

- Book via <https://www.innerqualifyingsessions.org.uk/>



TAKEAWAY LUNCHES IN HALL

Short on time? Pick from one of our take away options and get a fresh, delicious lunch as fast as you can choose it. Meal deals are just £6.50 with a loyalty card, and when you buy five lunches you'll get the sixth on us. Plus, there is an extra 25% discount for all Inner Temple students.



No matter the cause for celebration, an event in the Inner Temple Gardens is always a treat, couple that with our beautiful marquee and you can guarantee success! With a delicious new barbeque bowl food menu, intricate canapés and lashings of Pimms, why not enjoy a memorable summer event in an iconic London venue?

Contact our Catering Team now to discuss availability on: catering@innertemple.org.uk 020 7797 8230

SUMMER MARQUEE CELEBRATIONS AT THE INN

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THE INNER TEMPLE SUMMER PARTY
An Enchanted Garden

THURSDAY 9 JULY 6PM - 9.30PM

Members and their Guests: £45.00 each

Students: £38.00*

Food and drink included in the ticket price

To book:

Tickets are available from the Inner Temple Treasury Office:

kpeters@innertemple.org.uk, or 020 7797 8183

<https://www.innerqualifyingsessions.org.uk>

* Two tickets only at this price

