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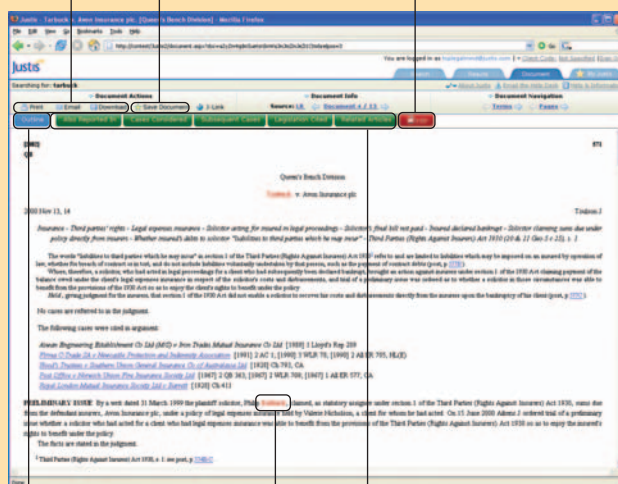
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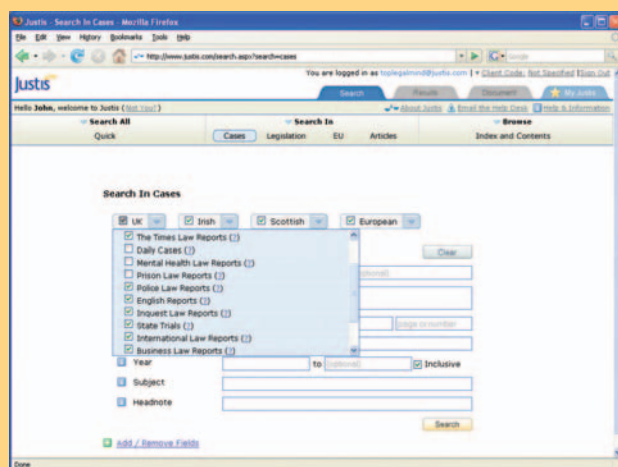
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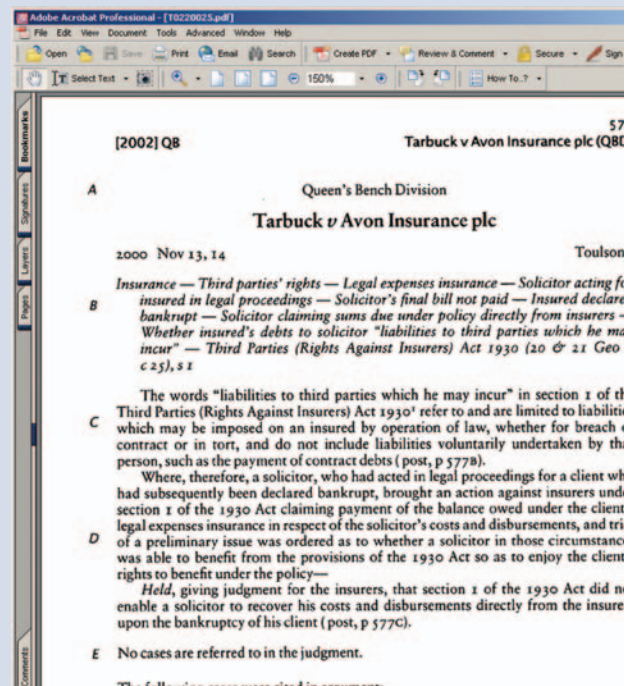
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Practice Direction [1995] 1 WLR 1096



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**Format:** Web or CD-ROM

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**Coverage:** 1163 to 1858  
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# Specialist Case Law

## Business Law Reports

**Coverage:** 2007 to present  
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**Format:** Web

With cases selected for their usefulness in advising business clients, and covering company law, commercial law and intellectual property law, this is designed to cater for business professionals and the practitioners who advise them. It contains a mix of cases of interest to both chancery and common law practitioners, and to solicitors whose clients want to know about decisions affecting their business, including arbitration, building, companies, competition law, business tenancies, IP, contracts, banking and taxation. Only 10% of cases are also reported in The Law Reports.

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**Coverage:** Complete from 1972 to present  
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The definitive series of case reports on employment and industrial relations law, covering cases from a wide variety of courts and tribunals. The CD-ROM version also includes relevant statutes.

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**Coverage:** Complete from 1875 to present  
**Data provider:** CCH  
**Format:** Web

CCH British Tax Cases including the Tax Cases and the British Tax Cases is the reproduction of the full text of judgments reported during the tax year in cases heard in the various courts, each with a headnote outlining the facts, the decision and the reasons for the decision. This also includes:

- CCH British Value Added Tax Cases (1973 – present)
- CCH Special Commissioners' Decisions (1995 – present)

## Criminal Appeal Reports & Sentencing

**Coverage:** Complete from 1967 to present and includes Criminal Appeal Reports (Sentencing) from 1979  
**Data provider:** Sweet & Maxwell Limited  
**Format:** CD-ROM

Provides coverage of all major criminal appeal cases decided in the House of Lords, Privy Council, Court of Appeal (Criminal Division) and Divisional Court.

Widely regarded by practitioners and academics as the first source of reference for criminal cases, many of which are not reported elsewhere.

## Mental Health Law Reports

**Coverage:** Complete from 1999 to present  
**Data provider:** Southside Legal Publishing Limited  
**Format:** Web

Mental health law involves a statutory regime which is convoluted and often unclear. There are many cases each year where points of law are argued in the High Court and above but only a minority are reported elsewhere.

## Prison Law Reports

**Coverage:** Complete from 1999 to present  
**Data provider:** Southside Legal Publishing Limited  
**Format:** Web

Prison law is still growing. This is partly because the statutory framework is skeletal and is copiously supplemented by policy and guidance documents, which are often subject to challenge by judicial review. There are many cases each year where points of law are argued in the High Court and above, but few are reported elsewhere. This series brings all cases on prison law together and will be of interest to criminal lawyers.

## Police Law Reports

**Coverage:** Complete from 2000 to present  
**Data provider:** Southside Legal Publishing Limited  
**Format:** Web

Includes the full text of cases from the High Court, Court of Appeal and House of Lords relating to all aspects of police law, together with a comprehensive headnote. Cases from the European Court of Human Rights are also covered, many of which are not reported elsewhere.

## Inquest Law Reports

**Coverage:** Complete from 2000 to present  
**Data provider:** Southside Legal Publishing Limited  
**Format:** Web

The number of cases argued in the High Court involving inquest law has grown considerably since the Human Rights Act 1998. But cases relevant to the work of Coroners' Courts are reported in a number of disparate sources, if at all. Inquest Law Reports collects all cases relevant to inquest law readily in one place. The reports provide the full text of judgments from the High Court, Court of Appeal, House of Lords and relevant judgments from the European Court of Human Rights on Article 2.

## BLISS

**Coverage:** Complete from 1807 to present  
**Data provider:** James R. Knowles & Driver Consult  
**Format:** Web

The BLISS construction industry database contains abstracts of judgments, articles, journals, contracts and books, and is one of the most comprehensive sources of construction-related legal and technical information from all over the world.

Available exclusively on Justis, BLISS covers developments in the construction industry as they happen.

# International Law

## International Law Reports

**Coverage:** Complete from 1919 to present  
**Data provider:** Cambridge University Press, on behalf of the Lauterpacht Centre for International Law, University of Cambridge  
**Format:** Web

International Law Reports is the only publication in the world wholly devoted to the regular and systematic reporting in English of decisions of international courts and arbitrators as well as judgments of national courts. Justis provides the first searchable, electronic platform.

Covering all significant cases of public international law. The collection features an enormously diverse range of topics, including international boundaries, state and diplomatic immunity, treaties between states, war, terrorism, and refugee law.

Once regarded as esoteric, international law has fast become one of the most important areas of law, impacting on the legal systems of every country in the world.

## Aspinall's Maritime Cases

**Coverage:** 1870 to 1940  
**Format:** Web

A valuable series of case reports of British, Irish and international maritime law, these reports include full-text cases from numerous courts outside the UK and Ireland, alongside many domestic cases, and will be a boon to researchers of international, maritime, and general trade and commercial law.

Subject coverage includes abandonment, arbitration, bankruptcy, carriage of goods and passengers, conflict of laws, enemy ships, loss, insurance, negligence, perils of the sea, personal injury, sale of goods, salvage, and war.

## Bermuda Law Reports

**Coverage:** Complete from 1986 to present  
**Data provider:** Bermuda Law Reports, Ltd  
**Format:** Web

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The data is sourced from Ruffhead's edition of Statutes at Large up to 1866 and henceforth from HMSO. We note the effect of legislative amendments since publication as well as add the explanatory notes from their introduction in 1999. All Acts appear as enacted, with links to amended and amending legislation allowing the development of the law to be traced. A notable feature of the Justis services is the JustCite tabs, which provide users with a visual display of the path of legislation, making developments easy to follow. Amendments shown in the JustCite tabs are taken from the Chronological Table of Statutes 1994 and the Annual Table of Effects for 1995 to 1997. From 1998 onwards the amendments are added by our own editorial team.

UK Statutes can be searched in conjunction with Justis UK Statutory Instruments to find the SIs that are related to the Act of Parliament you are searching for. We include the added feature of exact replica PDF files of the Act in its original form available for printing or downloading.

## Justis UK Statutory Instruments

**Coverage:** Complete from 1671 to present  
**Data provider:** OPSI  
**Format:** Web or CD-ROM

Over 2,500 Statutory Instruments (SIs) are issued each year, adding to the tens of thousands that already exist. Compliance with the measures they establish is a key requirement for any organisation in the UK. SIs set out detailed provisions under the authority of the enabling Acts of Parliament for 'fine tuning' of legislation. With the UK Statutory Instruments database you can keep up with these important changes.

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- Scottish Statutory Instruments
- Draft Statutory Instruments
- The legislation published in Statutory Rules & Orders and Statutory Instruments Revised to December 31, 1948, which was published by HMSO in 1950 and includes regulations dating back as far as 1671
- Statutory Rules and Orders issued prior to 1987

Statutory Instruments covering England, Wales and Scotland are included, incorporating tables, diagrams and maps where appropriate.

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**Format:** Web

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**Format:** Web

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**Data provider:** The Office for Official Publications of the European Communities  
**Format:** Web

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**Format:** Web

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Coverage of Caselex includes cases relating to company law, competition law, intellectual property law, labour law and consumer protection law.

## Human Rights

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**Format:** Web

Contains the reports of all cases from the European Court of Human Rights going back to the Court's earliest judgment in 1960. The text of the reports is in the same form as that published by the European Court of Human Rights. The database also incorporates European Human Rights Conventions, including relevant Protocols and the Human Rights Act 1998 c.42.