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Doing Justis for First Law

A bigger, better new home for First Law's electronic content

All case law information and legislation available through Ireland's respected First Law¹ website will transfer exclusively to Justis Publishing's² intuitively searchable, full-text online legal library, [Justis](#), in February next year.

From the Justis interface, new and existing First Law users alike will enjoy the full range of coverage back to 1999 currently offered, including:

- All Judgments of the Superior Courts
- All Acts of the Oireachtas
- All Statutory Instruments
- Circuit Court Judgments
- Employment Appeal Tribunals
- Unreported Judgments

But on its new platform the material will additionally benefit from:

- A more intuitive search platform and world-class results handling
- Sitting alongside other elements of Justis's full catalogue, such as the [Irish Reports & Digest](#) and the [Law Reports](#) from England & Wales, all of which can, if required, be searched simultaneously by subscribers of those series
- Links from Justis Publishing's provider-neutral citator, [JustCite](#), where each report will be indexed and cross-referenced against other cases and legislation, showing how it sits within the common law at large

JUSTIS PUBLISHING

As part of this agreement the ownership of the First Law data has now transferred to Justis Publishing. But the two organisations will work closely to maintain the high levels of editorial standards that are associated with First Law products, with the latter's editorial team continuing to provide content for the new platform.

Bart D. Daly, BL, founder and managing director of First Law, said: "We have been delivering to the Irish practitioner Irish law since 1999 and our archive of judgments – all with head notes – Statutory Instruments and Statutes have grown to some 17,000 documents. On the Justis platform the First Law online service will be improved and can offer a wider range of facilities including IP authorisation. We are confident the loyal First Law subscribers will continue to receive a premier service with greater options."

Masoud Gerami, managing director of Justis Publishing, said: "I am very pleased and excited by the agreement between Justis Publishing and First Law, which reinforces our commitment to provide the Irish legal market with an outstanding resource for electronic legal research. First Law is a highly regarded publisher of legal information in Ireland, and the combination of their content and Justis's current collection of Irish material will offer a unique and valuable service for that market."

For further information, please call **+44 (0)20 7267 8989** or email press@justis.com.

¹ [First Law](#) was founded in January 1998 by Bart D. Daly, BL its Managing Director. Previously he was involved in publishing in the traditional format. Prior to the establishment of First Law he was managing director of Round Hall Sweet & Maxwell. First Law was established to bring Irish law to practitioners in an immediate, searchable electronic format. First Law has also produced a host of legal books, including the award-winning Going to Court.

² [Justis Publishing Ltd](#) has been publishing titles online and on CD-ROM since 1986 and in recent years has developed a citator to complement its own and third-party services. The company has secured a leading position in the sector, concentrating on United Kingdom, Irish, Commonwealth and European Union legal, official and business information. Justis Publishing's customers come from legal and financial professions, government and the academic community in 84 countries worldwide.