# INNERVIEW

Newsletter of The Inner Temple Trinity 2020

# Reaching New Heights



## From the Treasurer



glance back to the Trinity 2019 Innerview affords a golden glimpse of The Inner Temple, even if temporarily dislocated as a result of the first stages of Project Pegasus. The photograph on the cover was of a party in full swing in the Garden, with the caption Make the most of the Garden this Summer. In its packed pages, there was a cheerful photograph of the assembled new Silks at their dinner; another showed the beaming winners of the Rawlinson Cup, grouped together with glasses in hand; others portrayed speakers on panels at various events. Further sections looked ahead to our Joint Amity Dinner with Middle Temple in the presence of our Royal Bencher, Master HRH The Princess Royal; to the London Legal Walk; to our Summer Partu; to the packed programme of services in the Temple Church. The Inner Temple at its best: part home, part university, part centre of barristerial endeavour, part party central. The prospect of losing this diverse, rich and enjoyable programme of activities would have been unthinkable.

Only six weeks ago, I had the pleasure of reviewing the poster for our Garden Party this year. The storm clouds were gathering, but there were few actual cancellations of events. Now, though, that we are in the thick of a full pandemic, with most of us, including many of our staff, working off-site, and cancellations of events even in July (including those that would have been hosted in our marquee), it is a very different Inn that we find. Curiously, though, the event that has led to all of us distancing ourselves physically has drawn many of us closer together. I instance three things in particular.

The first is the widespread adoption of video conferencing. The Inn meetings that I have attended recently have involved very high attendances, with 26 at the Bar Liaison Committee on 6 April, 25 at Estates Committee on 5 May; the same number at Advocacy Training Committee on the same date; and 96 at Bench Table on 30 April. No longer do those outside London have to make special travel arrangements to attend or put up with telephone attendance. Now we are all able to show up, with no inconvenience, and little loss in quality. When normal times return, we will seek to make the technology work to allow both physical and remote attendance, achieving the best of both worlds, although the benefits of physical attendance should not be underestimated.

The second concerns the two steps the Inn has taken to alleviate the financial hardship being suffered by those members and tenants of the Inn whose practices have been affected by the pandemic. The first step involved close collaboration between the Inn's Marshall Hall Trustees and the Executive Committee, resulting in the setting up of a £500,000 fund for pupils and first year tenants who find themselves unable to benefit either from Government assistance or from the Barristers' Benevolent Association.

The 42 Inn members who applied within the first week of this new scheme were all interviewed by just two of the Trustees, Master Tim Charlton and Jonathan Waite QC, with the assistance of the Inn's Technology and Communications Officer, and Secretary to the Trust, Paul Clark. The hard work that went into the planning

for and execution of this assistance was quite exceptional, and could not have been done without very close, if remote, contact between all those involved. The other step was the setting up of an emergency rent committee to consider applications for assistance with rents of the tenants of the Inn. The committee's membership, terms of reference and sittings were all put in place in days, under the able chairmanship of the Reader, and involved very close cooperation between numbers of members of the Inn. And the third goes beyond the borders of the Inn and consists of the close collaboration that has evolved between all four Inns, the Bar Council and the Barristers' Benevolent Association. We all used to talk together, of course, but during the course of this crisis a rather closer and more useful liaison has developed, which will serve us well in the future.

Although, therefore, much has temporarily been lost, a lot has been gained, and when we finally regroup, we will be the stronger for it. Quite apart from that, the vigour with which we will return to our partying is something we can think about and plan for now. Besides all this, we can all take pleasure from the knowledge that, even in our absence, Project Pegasus continues apace, with the new roof structure making especially good progress and the fire escape stair with its matching brick and stone cladding rising ever higher. And although we can no longer assemble in the Garden and the Church, our Head Gardener, the Master and Reader of the Temple, the Director of Music and the Temple Music Foundation keep us nourished with online contributions. So – there remains much to celebrate about our Inn.

#### Guy Fetherstonhaugh QC Treasurer

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## Announcements

#### Principal Officers of the Inner Temple

In light of the standstill imposed by the international COVID-19 crisis on all the Inn's activities; the exceptional pressures on members which have demanded urgent measures to meet them; and the special need for continuity this creates, Bench Table on 30 April unanimously approved a proposal by the Treasurer Nomination Committee that the existing three Principal Officers (Treasurer, Reader and Reader-Elect) should be invited to continue to serve in the same roles in 2021. They have graciously agreed to do so.



TREASURER GUY FETHERSTONHAUGH QC



READER HER HONOUR JUDGE DEBORAH TAYLOR



READER-ELECT SIR ROBERT FRANCIS QC

To see our full list of judicial appointments, go to innertemple.org.uk/judicial



## Wellbeing at the Bar

There are several useful resources for the profession on the Bar Council's website under the Coronavirus advice and updates section.

Further resources can be found on www.wellbeingatthebar.org.uk

- **Key links include:**
- >> Frequently Asked Questions
- >> Government and HMCTS guidance
- >> Key worker status
- >> Bounce-Back Loan Scheme (BBLS)-

## The COVID-19 Emergency Fund Appeal



#### FOR MEMBERS OF THE BAR ADVERSELY AFFECTED BY COVID-19 AND THE CLOSURE OF THE COURTS

This appeal is made jointly by the four Inns of Court and the Barristers' Benevolent Association.

The aim of this appeal is to help those members who have contracted the corona virus and are unable to support themselves and their families as well as those many members of the Bar, particularly, but not exclusively, those who do publicly funded work, who now find themselves in an extraordinarily difficult position through no fault of their own. For example, the closure of the criminal courts has resulted in the stopping of work for many criminal barristers. We regret that the effects are already being felt by many at the Bar, and the need is urgent.

Details of how to make a donation can be found at www.the-bba.com/covid19-appeal-donations



The Lord Chief Justice, The Rt Hon The Lord Burnett of Maldon, has said that he "enthusiastically supports the Appeal and urges barristers and judges who were members of the Bar to give generously to support it".

"This is an important and valuable initiative to help ensure that the Bar remains a strong and integral part of the justice system... Please do help to add to the fund for our colleagues in most financial distress." – Amanda Pinto QC, Chair of the Bar Council

Like everyone else we do not know how long the current situation will continue but even if the courts resume their ordinary work in June it is likely that the adverse consequences will be felt by members of the Bar for some time thereafter. Your donation could make a very real difference.

## www.the-bba.com/covid19-appeal-donations

## COVID-19 Impact and Information

n line with government advice, the Inn's physical events (educational and social) have been cancelled until 1 September 2020. Training events and committee meetings are being organised online. The estate remains accessible to members and the Garden has re-opened to fob holders but is closed to the general public. Whilst the Library remains closed to visitors, staff are providing a remote enquiry and delivery service. More details about the Inn's operations can be found at innertemple. org.uk/coronavirus. Most office-based staff, including the Treasury Office and the Education & Training Department, are working remotely from home and can be contacted via our contact page innertemple.org.uk/contact.

We continue to review our events and activities in line with government advice and will keep you updated via email and through **innertemple.org.uk/events**. Please do not hesitate to contact us with any concerns or questions about the Inn's activities and functions.

We recognise that this is a very uncertain and stressful time for members and, as seen below, a number of hardship relief funds have been set up. Please see the Education & Training section (page 11) for an update on the impact of COVID-19 on training for the Bar and details of online Qualifying Sessions and Call to the Bar.

## Access to the Inn

The Inner Temple estate is currently closed to the general public. Gates to the estate and garden will remain accessible for tenants and residents via fob access. Tudor Gate remains open to cars. Visits to the estate should be kept to those defined as essential under government advice and visitors are urged to follow social distancing guidance.

#### Parking

Chambers may request up to two free parking permits for essential staff and members by contacting members@innertemple.org.uk

#### Duty porter

For emergencies at The Inner Temple 24/7, please contact the Duty Porter: 020 7797 8255 or **porters@innertemple.org.uk** 

## Hardship Relief Funds

#### Marshall Hall Trust innertemple.org.uk/mht

Administered through the Marshall Hall Trust, The Inner Temple has provided a hardship relief fund specifically to assist members:

- Who are currently in pupillage; or
- Whose pupillage has been terminated (or is imminently threatened) on account of the COVID-19 crisis; or
- Who are first year tenants in their chambers, but who are unable to participate in the Government's scheme to assist the self-employed.

So far, grants or loans have been awarded to nearly 60 pupils and first year tenants whose income has been wiped out by the impact of COVID-19. From the relief and gratitude expressed by the applicants it is clear how much the awards are appreciated.

"This is fantastic news, a huge weight off my mind. It will make a huge difference – not least to the quality of my sleep at night!"

"I am beyond grateful to the panel and the Inn/MH Trust more generally for this grant. It has been a very stressful period, and this will help considerably moving forward."

"I am overwhelmed by the support of Inner Temple and the Marshall Hall Trust, so many thanks to the panel."

"Thank you and Inner Temple so much for this. It really will take the stress away for a few months. Thank you also for arranging this so quickly."

Contact Paul Clark: pclark@innertemple.org.uk

## Barristers' Benevolent Association the-bba.com/covid19-appeal-applications

The Barristers' Benevolent Association exists to support, help and comfort members of the Bar in England and Wales and their families and dependants who are in need, in distress or in difficulties.

#### COVID-19 Rent Committee

Chaired by Master Reader (Her Honour Judge Deborah Taylor), the COVID-19 Rent Committee has been set up to consider applications for rent waivers and interest free rent deferrals from Chambers and residents. Applications will be considered on a case by case basis and should be sent to the Collector.

Contact David Bartlett dbartlett@innertemple.org.uk



## YOUR Bar Liaison Committee

he Bar Liaison Committee (BLC), the representative body of called members of the Inn who are practising barristers but not Benchers, provides an ideal opportunity for greater involvement in the work of the Inn. Elections are held every three years with regular co-options to the committee as and when vacancies arise. Reporting monthly and in line with the Executive Committee, each member of the BLC is appointed to one of the Inn's governing committees and activities. The views of the BLC have been instrumental in guiding the Inn's policies and small working parties of the committee convene regularly to respond to regulatory consultations issued by the Bar Standards Board and Legal Services Board or to consider other areas of the Inn's policies.

With representation from all the Circuits, the BLC is proactive in promoting the interests of members and of the Inn and in ascertaining the views of members across the Circuits and passing them on to the relevant Bench Committees. From Education and Training, Advocacy Training, Estates, Finance, to the Mentoring Scheme, Scholarships, the Garden, Paintings, Silver and the Car Park, members of the BLC are involved in ALL areas of the Inn's work.

With the triennial elections taking place in November, why not put yourself forward for election to the committee and get involved in the work of YOUR Inn? To reflect the profession and the Inn's commitment to fairness and equality of opportunity, we encourage as diverse a membership as possible. In October, the Chair of the BLC, Zachary Bredemear will write to members eligible for election with details of the application process.

For more information about the Bar Liaison Committee, please contact Henrietta Amodio, Director of the Treasury Office and Secretary to the BLC, hamodio@innertemple.org.uk, or innertemple.org.uk/blc.

### Election Timetable

- 2 November Online nominations start
- **16 November** By 5pm deadline for nomination forms
- **19 November** Online voting commences
- **26 November** By 5pm online voting ceases
  - 7 December BLC meeting with new members

THE INNER TEMPLE QUIZ

## LET'S GET QUIZZICAL

#### THURSDAY 18 JUNE 5PM – 6.30PM

JOIN QUIZMASTER ALASTAIR HODGE FOR THE DEFINITIVE LOCKDOWN QUIZ

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innertemple.org.uk/quiz

COST Free but booking essential ENQUIRIES members@innertemple.org.uk 020 7797 8250

WHEN Thursday 18 June 5pm - 6.30pm Online Panel Discussion

> DOES THE BAR NEED TO COMMUNICATE AND MARKET ITSELF MORE IN THE MODERN WORLD?

## Social Context of the Law /ONLINE

THURSDAY 25 JUNE

John Shaw Chief Strategy and Innovation Officer for Superunion – WPP's branding consultancy Helen Davies QC Joint Head of Brick Court Chambers, Inner Temple Bencher Moderated by Miles Young Warden of New College, Oxford, Inner Temple Honorary Bencher

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innertemple.org.uk/socialcontext

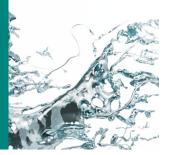
**COST** Free but booking essential

ENQUIRIES members@innertemple.org.uk 020 7797 8250 WHERE ONLINE

WHEN Thursday 25 June 5.30pm

## 1 Qualifying Session or Equivalent to 1hr CPD

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## COVID-19 Impact on Training for the Bar

The Inns and the Council of the Inns of Court (COIC) continue to liaise closely with the Bar Standards Board (BSB) on training requirements for students, pupils, pupillage providers and new practitioners.

The BSB recently announced that the centralised assessments and Bar Transfer Test (BTT), delayed from April to August, will now take place as 'computer-based examinations'. Instructions will be provided to students and those sitting the BTT by their provider. The BSB has indicated to the Inns that overall Bar Course results will not be available until November and therefore the Inns have scheduled the next Call ceremony to take place on 30 November in the Michaelmas Term. See below for further details.

The BSB has stated that most of those due to start a pupillage in autumn 2020 have already passed their BPTC but that, typically, a third sit the BPTC in the year that they start pupillage. Given the exceptional circumstances and the fact that these individuals will not know their BPTC or BTT result when their pupillage is due to start, the BSB has announced that, for these individuals, it will waive the usual requirement that only those who have been confirmed as having successfully passed a BPTC or BTT may start the non-practising period of pupillage. The BSB is encouraging chambers and other pupillage providers to allow these individuals to begin pupillage as planned and has recently published **guidance** to assist pupillage providers.

The BSB has also indicated it is prepared to be flexible over the timeframe for completion of the New Practitioners (NP) Programme. New practitioners who were due to complete the programme this year do not need to seek a waiver or any approval from the BSB but should complete the NP Programme as soon as they are able. Please see below for an update on The Inner Temple NP Programme.

For further information on the above and other training updates, please refer to www.barstandardsboard.org.uk

- >> COVID-19 statement from the BSB
- >> COVID-19 and the Vocational Component FAQs
- >> COVID-19 and Pupillage FAQS
- >> COVID-19 and CPD FAQs
- >> COVID-19 and Transferring Lawyers FAQs

## Remote Qualifying Sessions

In response to the lockdown and cancellation of physical events, the Education & Training Department has been working hard to ensure that Inner Temple students are still able to gain Qualifying Sessions for Call to the Bar. Several new online Qualifying Sessions have already taken place with more scheduled for the near future.

On Tuesday 12 May, Master Alastair Hodge opened our new online QS programme with a lecture on Cross-Examination and Case Prep, delivered to a total of 80 students. Attendees were treated to a masterclass in cross-examination and given the opportunity to ask their own questions during a lively Q&A. On Tuesday 26 May, a total of 40 students were split into Civil and Criminal advocacy groups and led through advocacy exercises by a number of experienced practitioners (this event will be repeated on 2 June). On Thursday 28 May, Master Rachel Spearing gave a timely talk on Wellbeing at the Bar to a group of 40 students (this event will be repeated on 4 June).

We are hugely grateful to Master Hodge, Master Kathryn Arnot Drummond and Master Spearing for all their work in putting together these first online Qualifying Sessions for the Inn.

Student Members will be contacted in the first week of June when the second tranche of online QSs becomes available to book via **innertemple.org.uk/events**. This second tranche will include a Pupillage Q&A, a Library Legal Research Session and several lectures on advocacy topics including Master Tom Kark and Master Graham Aldous sharing their tips on Closing Speeches and Submissions.

## Call to the Bar

In light of the Bar Standards Board's decision to postpone centralised BPTC and BTT assessments until August, with results only available at the beginning of November the next Call ceremony will take place in Michaelmas Term (30 November). Hilary Term Call Night will take place on 29 March 2021 with an additional Call ceremony to be potentially held in Easter Term of the same year. A finalised set of Call dates will be confirmed in due course.

For those intending to apply to be called to the Bar, the application window will be opening for submissions in June. All information regarding Call to the Bar will be reviewed and updated as necessary.

## Inner Temple Pupil Supervisor Training

Owing to the current situation, the Inn held its annual Pupil Supervisor Training Session online for the first time on 30 April. Approximately 50 prospective pupil supervisors, from both the employed and self-employed Bar, took part in a 3 hour programme of remote talks and discussions designed to prepare them for the challenges pupil supervisors typically face. A panel of speakers, including Master Michael Simon, Master Peter Clark, Master Diya Sen Gupta, Rose Malleson (Bar Council), Sebastian Cox, Julia Witting (BSB), Master Alastair Hodge and Master Rachel Spearing gave talks on a wide variety of issues relating to pupillage and supervision. The trainees were split into discussion groups ably led by experienced pupil supervisors, to whom we are exceptionally grateful. Thanks must go to all the speakers and group leaders who gave up their time to attend, with particular gratitude owed to Master Simon, for chairing the session. We are hugely grateful both to the trainers and trainees for their patience with and enthusiasm for the online format!

## Calling all New Pupils!

If you have secured pupillage, please remember to register your pupillage with the Bar Standards Board and also with the Inn. Please visit **innertemple. org.uk/pupils** or contact **David Miller** for further information and a Pupillage Registration Form.

## New Practitioners' Advocacy & Ethics Course

Due to the ongoing Coronavirus situation, both of this year's New Practitioners courses have had to be cancelled. Plans are currently in progress to provide the Ethics part of the course online over the next few months, and we are also exploring options for delivering the Advocacy element remotely. Further details will be sent out as soon as this is confirmed. New Practitioners in their third year should be aware that the Bar Standards Board will be relaxing the requirement for them to complete their 45 hours of CPD by 31 December and so will be able to do the courses next year if necessary. Further details can be found here: www.barstandardsboard.org.uk/ for-barristers/cpd/covid-19-and-cpdfaqs.html

### Advocacy Training Faculty

The Inn's dedicated Advocacy Trainers provide compulsory advocacy training courses for pupils and new practitioners and are increasingly being called upon to provide specialist advocacy training for established practitioners. If you are over 7 years' Call and would be interested in undertaking the October advocacy teachertraining course to support this core function of the Inn, please contact **David Miller**.

## Outreach Online

The Outreach Team has facilitated a virtual Schools Day for 16-18 year olds interested in learning more about a career at the Bar. We continue to offer Next Steps Sessions to individuals deciding which of the Inns to join, and we have arranged virtual mock pupillage interviews for our PASS students. To find out more about Outreach at The Inner Temple, please contact **Daisy Mortimer**.

### Question & Answer Day

Subject to COVID-19 developments, we plan to run our annual Q&A Day on Sunday 20 September 2020. Question and Answer Day gives university students the opportunity to participate in a number of workshops on scholarships, applying for pupillage and life as a pupil/junior tenant.

The Inn is seeking practitioner members to take part in panel sessions. Please contact **Daisy Mortimer** if you're available to take part.

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## Insight Evenings

The Education and Training department are hosting a series of Insight evenings on becoming a barrister and life at the Bar. The evenings are specifically to inform Year 12 and 13 students, university students and graduates. We have expanded our Insight events programme and are visiting more cities around the country. The evenings include a panel session followed by a reception and will be from 6.00pm to 8.30pm. Typically panelists talk for five to ten minutes on their professional life and route to the Bar and then questions are fielded from students. This part of the evening lasts for about one hour followed by a reception. The venues for each location are to be confirmed.

Upcoming events (subject to COVID-19 developments) as follows:

Oxford	13	October
Cambridge	15	October
London	22	October
Sussex	27	October
Bristol	3	November
Coventry		To be confirmed
Sheffield		To be confirmed

If you would like to volunteer your time as either as panellist, or at the reception to speak to students' kindly contact Edwina Koroma.

### In Focus Events

The In Focus series aims to have open and frank discussions with members and prospective barristers about issues that underrepresented groups in the profession may face and to discuss the progress being made and the remaining challenges. Previous subjects in this series have included Disability at the Bar and Being LGBTQ+ at the Bar. The upcoming event has been rescheduled from earlier in the year.

#### In Focus: Being BAME at the Bar

24 November to be confirmed

A roundtable and reception featuring practising and prospective barristers discussing being BAME (Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic) at the Bar. The event is open to all (including allies) and we encourage barristers who are from a BAME background or who have worked on race-based discrimination cases to share their experiences. Speakers are also free to comment on any work that chambers may be doing to tackle issues facing practitioners in the workplace. Guests are encouraged to bring questions for discussion.

## Mock Interview Scheme Continues Remotely

The Mock Interview Scheme gives students a chance to refine their interview technique before they undertake a 'real' pupillage interview. The mock interview takes place with an established barrister practising in the area in which the candidate is seeking pupillage. The scheme is valued highly by our student members and consistently receives positive feedback. We are looking to increase the number of volunteers

for the scheme, particularly in the areas of Family, Immigration and Public Law. The time commitment is flexible but typically amounts to around 1–3 hours per year. Currently, in accordance with PHE guidelines, the interviews are held remotely via the medium of the barrister's choosing. If you would like to volunteer for the scheme, please contact **Edwina Koroma**.

## Volunteering

If you are a member who would like to volunteer to help with Education & Training or Outreach activities, please see our **Guide to Volunteering Opportunities** or request a copy from the **Education & Training Team**.

### Quizmasters!

The E&T team were delighted to win the Inner Temple Staff Quiz, hosted online on 13 May by the irrepressible Master Alastair Hodge!



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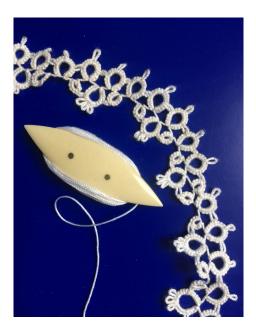
## Summer Escapism

#### Sean Harkin Head Gardener

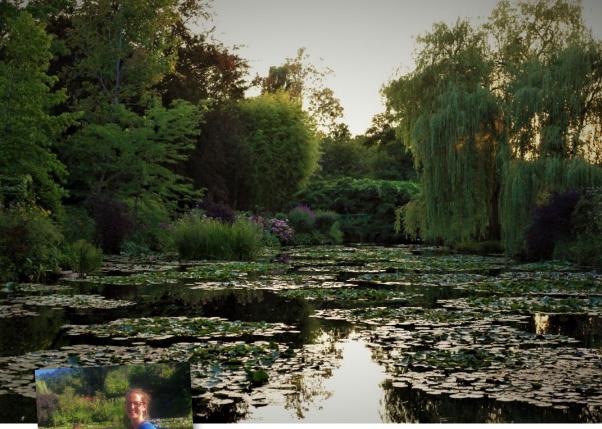
have found it interesting that over the past couple of months many people have turned to simple pastimes such as art, gardening and crafts to provide solace and escapism. It has also been a time of reflection, and for me a small regret is that I never went to art school and initially followed a more academic route before horticulture. Although I do wonder if I would have ended up in the same place, feeling that through the art of gardening one can express a painterly impression of colour, form and atmosphere.

It seems The Inner Temple is full of hidden artistic talents, only having to look to the Masters of the Garden for evidence. Master Patricia Robertson has turned to embroidering Iris, a subject close to her heart as she has an Iris nursery in Umbria – alongside creating beautiful weaved pieces on her loom in Highgate; whilst Master Mary Malecka has been 'tatting' (a word I was not initially familiar with and needed to look up), creating delicate and intricate lace pieces.

There is a natural friendship between art, craft and gardens, and this summer article celebrates the most famous painter's garden in the world. I have asked Gardener Emily, to share a short insight into her time gardening at Giverny. Take a break from whatever art, craft or work you may be doing, pour a glass of something refreshing and find yourself in one of the world's most famous gardens.









#### Emily Blackmore Gardener

As our holidays are currently limited to daydreaming and watching travel programmes, I am hoping these reflections will offer a little escapism to France, a visit to which will hopefully, before long, be a possibility again...

After completing my traineeship at Inner Temple Garden in summer 2018,

I was fortunate enough to spend a month on an internship at the world-famous Claude Monet's garden in Giverny, France. I worked with the horticultural team plus French students on Summer break and other gardening interns from New York Botanic Garden.

Each morning it was our task to ensure the Pelargonium borders and trained Roses in front of the house were deadheaded to perfection, before spending the day in the borders deadheading further (the border are stuffed so full it was a never-ending task!). Any planting gaps are filled with their endless supply of perennials grown every year from cuttings and annuals that are grown by seed in polytunnels close by. Over winter, the garden is closed and completely cleared apart from the trees, shrubs and climbers.



#### Garden continued

The flower garden is a riot of colour. The layout is very simple with long borders organised in colour themes – reds/pinks; whites/creams; yellows/oranges. The borders are complemented with delicate metal pergolas trained with Roses. The garden was bursting with dahlias, salvias, rudbeckias and sunflowers during my time there. A highlight and one of the main attractions is the Grande Allée with the river of nasturtiums which we encouraged to trail further daily by gently teasing out the foliage. It would have been wonderful to see it knit together finally.

I discovered a new favourite tree whilst at the garden – Albizia julibrissin f. rosea – and to my delight, last year the team planted two of these trees at The Inner Temple, in the High Border and in the War of the Roses border. The flowers are vibrant pink with a fibre optic look!

Monet painted some of his most famous paintings whilst living here, notably the

Water Lilies and Japanese Bridge painting. In contrast to the flower garden, the water garden is an oasis of peace and tranquillity with shades of green punctuated by the odd burst of colour. Water lily flowers close at night so unfortunately they're not visible in the photo, however the bonus of being an intern was having after-hours access. It was a dream being able to wander through the borders alone, take in the atmosphere as Monet would have been able to, and to take photographs with nobody in them. One of my highlights was stepping into waterproof dungarees to tend to the waterlily pond. The waterlilies are contained in huge metal containers underwater to help keep the distinction between the groupings. For the bountiful floriferous display, I removed old leaves and new leaves smothering the blooms.

It was an enriching month spent at Giverny, and it went far too quickly. I would love to be able to witness the garden through the seasons, and I can imagine it would be exciting to be part of the spring planting after the winter emptiness. It certainly was inspiring to work in a garden that has an instantaneous approach, and it broadened my knowledge of annuals. Though, I personally prefer the layering of trees, shrubs, perennials punctuated with annuals and bulbs for all seasons as used at The Inner Temple and the anticipation of them knitting together for years to come.





## Library Services and COVID-19

The Library team is endeavouring to provide library services for members during the time that the Library at Fetter Lane is closed and staff are working from home.

#### Details of our services and resources are outlined below.

#### Enquiries

We are running our enquiry service remotely for members of the Inns of Court. You can get in touch with us via email at **library@innertemple.org.uk** and we will do our best to satisfy your requests. We regret that we are unable to respond to telephone enquiries.

During the Coronavirus crisis we are not able to access the full range of library resources but we are collaborating with the other Inn Libraries so that as many enquiries as possible can be satisfied from our combined database subscriptions.

#### **Document Supply**

We are offering a document delivery service between 9am and 5pm from Monday-Friday for barrister members of all four Inns.

Material can be supplied for existing judicial or Parliamentary proceedings, research for non commercial purposes and private study.

The Library will supply scans, subject to the provisions of the law of copyright (the Copyright, Designs and Patents Act 1988 and the Copyright and Rights in Performances (Research, Education, Libraries and Archives) Regulations 2014).

Charges for the document supply service are being waived during the COVID-19 situation, but the relevant form (Judicial Proceedings or Private Research) must be completed. The **forms** are available on our website.

Enquiries may be made by email: distanceservice@innertemple.org.uk.

#### Members' Access to Databases

We have a limited number of logins which will allow us to make Bloomsbury Professional and Lexis®PSL available by remote access to practising barristers who are members of the Inner Temple. Enquiries about remote access may be sent to **bloomsbury@innertemple.org.uk** or **lexispsl@innertemple.org.uk**.

#### Free Resources

To assist legal practitioners, Inner Temple Library staff have developed two complementary free online services.

#### AccessToLaw

A **gateway site**, providing annotated links to over 1,200 free UK, Commonwealth and worldwide legal resources including case law, legislation, commentary and organisations. Entries are arranged in five sections: United Kingdom, Commonwealth, Other Jurisdictions, Legal Subject Areas and General Resources.

#### Current Awareness Blog A selective Current Awareness blog.

updated daily, providing information on new case law, changes in legislation, and legal news, as well as articles, case comments and conference papers from chambers' websites. Coverage is restricted to England and Wales.

#### Subject Guides

We are publishing a series of subject guides to make users aware of the electronic resources to which the Library currently has access. The guides cover, as far as possible, key textbooks, law reports, journals, laws and free web sources; please note, however, that textbooks and laws are not available for all subject areas.

Subject guides to **Canadian Law**, **Caribbean Law**, **Criminal Law**, **Family Law** and **Personal Injury Law** are now available on our website.

#### Online Qualifying Session

On 11 June Library staff will be running a legal research session for BPTC students. Due to the ongoing COVID-19 crisis this will be hosted on Zoom.

This session builds on the basic legal research training that was carried out in the autumn of 2019. Topics to be covered include: finding historical versions of legislation; looking for commencement dates; tracking the judicial history of a case; finding precedent documents and looking for Parliamentary debates. There will be a question and answer session at the end.

The Education & Training Department will be emailing all students shortly to let them know about forthcoming sessions and how to book them online.

#### eResource Training

Working with the database providers, the Library is offering eResource training for Inner Temple members.

Please contact **tdennis@innertemple**. **org.uk** if you are interested in web-based

training on Lexis Library & Lexis®PSL, Westlaw & Practical Law and JustisOne.

#### **Remote Enquiries**

Although the Library at 10 Fetter Lane has been closed since 24 March because of the Coronavirus lockdown, Library staff have still been able to reply to emailed enquiries while working from home. In addition to general requests for information, the **Document Supply Service** is still in operation. We have been using our online subscription services to satisfy requests, and we have negotiated additional access to some other databases.

Of the requests so far received during the lockdown, roughly 50% have been supplied from our own online resources, and another 30% from one of the other three Inn Libraries. The remaining 20% could not be supplied, whether because (a) the publication was not available in any form at any of the four Libraries, (b) hard copy materials were not accessible, or (c) a source for the information or document requested could not be identified.

The most commonly requested items have been case law and textbooks, at around 37% of requests each, but there have also been several requests for precedents from Atkin's Court Forms, as well as materials from Lexis PSL and Practical Law.

## Feedback During Lockdown **On an email update to members**

*"This is a fantastic service which I am sure will prove helpful."* (Barrister)

"I'm sure I won't be the only one to say: thank you very much for your email... It's really very helpful." (Barrister)

"Thank you for continuing to run our valuable library services during the pandemic. It is deeply reassuring for members and practitioners to have services still available." (Barrister)

## Feedback During Lockdown **On the Current Awareness Blog**

"Thank you very much for maintaining the blog amidst pandemic; it's an invaluable resource!" (Barrister)

#### Trial Access to Databases

The online publishers are offering trial access to a number of databases to barrister members of the Inner Temple and the other Inns as described below.

#### Lexis Library

Lexis is offering barristers **seven-day trial** access to the most comprehensive of its Lexis Library offerings, comprising UK legislation, over 700,000 cases and key reference sources such as the Encyclopaedia of Forms and Precedents and Atkin's Court Forms. The database also includes Halsbury's Laws, the Butterworths and Tolley's handbooks and many key texts.

Members can also request trial access to Lexis®PSL for practice notes, precedents, forms and current awareness alerts across 35 practice areas.

To request a trial, please contact **farina.sharif@lexisnexis.co.uk**, Bar Account Manager at Lexis.

#### Thomson Reuters legal databases

Barrister members of the Inns can sign up to a **one-week trial** for:

• Westlaw – access to case law, legislation, journals and EU legal materials.

Sweet & Maxwell books – access to key practitioners' texts available via Westlaw.
 Lawtel – access to UK and EU case law, legislation and articles.

• **Practical Law** – access to practice notes, standard documents, checklists, forms, legal updates and global guides.

To request a trial, please contact **Saghi. Shahmirzadi@thomsonreuters.com**, Account Manager at Thomson Reuters.

#### vLex Justis

UK barristers can now access a free **14-day trial** and a new **3-month access** plan for law reports and case law available on vLex Justis. Please contact **hello@vlex.com**.

#### Feedback During Lockdown On the remote enquiry and document supply service

"Thank you for your amazingly efficient service as always." (Barrister)

"I am extremely grateful for your swift assistance with sourcing the documents. They will greatly assist me in a hearing tomorrow." (Barrister)

"I just want to thank you so very very much for your kind assistance today. I received the documents I wanted. You are amazing." (Bencher) *"I am immensely grateful for your help."* (Bar student preparing for an interview)

"Thank you very much indeed for this extremely swift response." (Legal researcher in chambers)

"You've made my life much easier. Thanks for the quick turnaround as well." (Barrister)

"Many thanks to you all for supporting the members of the Inn so diligently during lockdown!" (Barrister)

### From the Archives



## Constantin Karadja Hero of The Inner Temple

#### Celia Pilkington, Archivist

he Inner Temple is proud to celebrate the life of one of our most heroic members, Prince Constantin Karadja, who bravely used his role as a diplomat to save 51,000, mainly Romanian Jews from being sent to concentration camps.

He was born in the Hague in 1889, the son of the Ambassador to the Ottoman Empire Prince Jean Karadja and Mary Smith, daughter of L O Smith, the Swedish industrialist and politician. He was educated in Sweden at the Beskowska School and then went to England where he studied law firstly at Framlingham College and then The Inner Temple in 1909, being called to the Bar in 1922.

His intention was always to join the diplomatic service. In 1919, he became Romanian Consul in Budapest (1921-22). From 1928 to 1930, he served as Consul General in Sweden and Consul General in Berlin from 1932, which coincided with the election of Adolf Hitler as German Chancellor. Throughout his time in Berlin he campaigned for the rescue of the Romanian Jews in Germany. His documents, which were stored by the Romanian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and latterly in the Holocaust Museum in Washington state "If we will not enable the poor refugees (with Romanian nationality) to accommodate in Romania or in another, non-European country, they could be imprisoned in a concentration camp, in which many hundreds will disappear without a trace". Thus, he demanded "that the requests of the Jews with Romanian nationality, who ask to be enabled to return, should be treated with priority and without delay for humanitarian reasons."

During the program of 9 November 1938, which the Nazis called "Kristallnacht", synagogues and Jewish properties were destroyed. Karadja drew up lists of those affected and told Romania to protest against the violence and insist that Germany compensate the victims. He also initiated a plan to give Romanians passports so that they could escape. He refused a request that the word "Jew" be inserted into the passports of the If we will not enable the poor refugees (with Romanian nationality) to accommodate in Romania or in another, non-European country, they could be imprisoned in a concentration camp, in which many hundreds will disappear without a trace". Thus, he demanded "that the requests of the Jews with Romanian nationality, who ask to be enabled to return, should be treated with priority and without delay for humanitarian reasons."

Romanians, suggesting that an X be inserted in its place which should only be known to the Romanian authorities.

He was able to provide greater assistance when he was appointed Head of the Passport Authority in Bucharest. Throughout this period he never ceased in his attempts to help people escape the threat of Nazi Germany, even managing to impress on the fascist Romanian government that their complicity may be interpreted as a war crime following the war.

Thanks to his great courage, some dozen Jews from Germany (until July 1942), approximately 600 Jews from France and 51,537 Jews from Hungary returned between January and May 1944, just a few days before the remaining Jews were sent to the extermination camps at Auschwitz.

Despite his extraordinary bravery and efforts to protect the Romanian Jews. He was dismissed from his post by the new communist regime in 1947, and although he received a post as a translator for the Swedish Embassy, he died in poverty in 1950.



In 2005, he was given the Israeli award *Righteous Among the Nations* by Yad Vashem, The World Holocaust Remembrance Centre.

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## Temple Church

#### Roger Sayer Director of Music

write this at a time of national crisis and global pandemic. Things could not be stranger for anyone. My colleagues in the music department were thrown into a situation where suddenly the Church was silent. Choristers stranded at various levels of their musical development, adult choir members, like many others, marooned by the cruel and complete loss of earnings with all concerts and tours cancelled within a few days of the lockdown.

The music department has three new members of staff; Elisabeth Munns (Music Administrator), Thomas Allery (Assistant Director of Music) and Charles Andrews (Liturgical Organist). With their expertise we can be very proud that we have kept the musical heart beat going so that, when we return we can raise the spirits and stir the souls once more.

We are absolutely delighted by the choristers' engagement with us and the support from their parents. We are a strong team and bonded by our love of singing and of the Church.

Carefully timetabled sessions, via Zoom, are happening every day, each week. These include; singing lessons from our two singing teachers, musical theory sessions with Tom and myself, and they have at their fingertips a wonderful 'Vocal app' created solely for them, it is a treasure-trove of daily warmups. In addition to the Zoom sessions, I record and share training videos and rehearsal tracks, to our YouTube, that focus on music to be learnt at home. Excitingly, we are aiming to remotely learn Handel's Messiah in anticipation of a performance once we return. Other ways in which we are



keeping the choristers occupied and their musical interests entertained includes, interactive quizzes and setting them musical projects. The boys are currently hard at work on a project about their favourite piece of music, exploring and learning more about the composer and the composition. When the time comes all they have learned over this period will be shared.

All the musicians, have helped maintain the weekly musical offerings on the Church's YouTube, through our selections of pre-recorded CDs and their own home recordings. Perhaps our most remarkable feat, to date, has been to create a visual performance of Vaughan Williams' *Five Mystical Songs*. Each member of the choir singing in their home along to an organ track, performed by myself. Two weeks of serious work piecing it together has made what I hope will prove to be an historical statement of love, belief and power that transcends all difficulties.

It is very busy indeed and the department is working flat out to ensure that the great Temple tradition of outstanding music and liturgy is not damaged at this time, and that we can return bonded and stronger.

We hope that your family, friends and colleagues might enjoy our online services. Do forward the links to anyone who might be glad to hear them – and, in the *Five Mystical Songs*, to see such a lovely and uplifting testimony to the work of our musicians, young and old.

We hope you are keeping well, and we look forward to seeing you, back in the Temple, before long.



The video of the *Five Mystical Songs* is on YouTube>

They are part of the Temple Church (audio) Easter Carol Service **here** >

## LONDON LEGAL WALK 2020

10,000 Steps for Justice

With the London Legal Walk being postponed until October, the Inner Temple Team needs recruits for a fun virtual **10,000 Steps for Justice** on Monday 8 June.

Walkers are invited to walk or run 10,000 steps for justice on Monday 8 June, at home, on your balcony, in your garden, or on your normal exercise circuit. Sign up for the team by emailing Nadia and, if possible, encourage donations from friends or family via our Just Giving page.

If that is not enough fun... why not enter the Inner Temple competition and photograph or video your walk.



#### **Competition Details**

**Categories:** Funniest Video, Best Costume **Maximum Video Length:** 30 seconds

Email videos and pictures to **yearbook@** innertemple.org.uk (for admin purposes only and not for publication) by 10am on Tuesday 9 June. Winners will be announced on Inner Temple social media by 5pm on Wednesday 10 June.

If you post you own images on social media please use the hashtags **#innertemple #10kstepsforjustice** 

If you would like to support The Inner Temple team please go to uk.virginmoneygiving.com/ InnerTemple20

If you would like to join The Inner Temple team please email Nadia Ruiz on **nruiz@innertemple.org.uk** 

Find out more about #WhyWeWalk

## Staff News

## Long Service

Many congratulations to the following members of staff who have completed significant periods of employment at the Inn.

### 10 YEARS

Akinola Adefiola Car Park Security

## 25 YEARS

Steve Hanks Carpenter



## Project Update

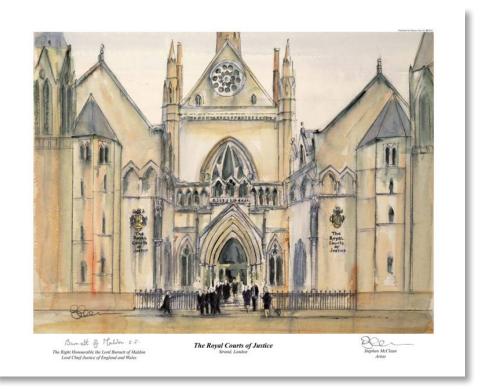
After a short hiatus of six working days, the main contractor (SRM) reoccupied the Treasury Building site on 6 April with 41 operatives (as against 53 before lockdown and 56 at the time of writing), having in the meantime worked hard to formulate a robust and safe working methodology (involving e.g. staggered start times, staggered break times and a reassessment of key activities).

This is fully in line with guidelines issued by the Construction Leadership Council and Build UK and has been signed off by the Inn's Health and Safety Consultant.

The Sir Robert McAlpine Special Projects site team offices are based in the former Treasury Office. If you have any comments, concerns or questions about the construction activities, you can contact: **John.walker@srm.com** 07866 783 710 The main activities since being undertaken are:

- Steelworkers continuing with the construction of the 3rd/4th floor steelwork. All of the new trusses over Hall have now been installed and the work is continuing eastwards.
- Brickworkers continuing build of the fire escape and lift enclosures on the north side.
- General labourers completing the capping beams at the 2nd/3rd floor interface.
- Demolition contractor continuing to remove the last vestiges of the 3rd-floor concrete slab.
- Groundworkers completing the dampproofing of the lift pit on the north side.
- M&E contractor continuing with the first fix electrical and mechanical services.

You can keep up to date with the work on site by signing up for the weekly construction update which gives a two week forward view of what is happening on site **innertemple.org.uk/project-pegasus** 



## The Royal Courts of Justice Limited Edition Print

he Honourable Society of the Inner Temple in association with legal art publisher Hanna Fine Art is delighted to announce the forthcoming release of a rare and historical law print, hand-signed by The Rt Hon The Lord Burnett of Maldon, Lord Chief Justice of England and Wales.

The fine art print of British artist Stephen McClean's critically-acclaimed, impressionist-style painting of the Royal Courts of Justice in London has been published in a limited edition of only 950 prints, every one of which will be hand-signed by the Lord Chief Justice of England and Wales and the artist, to create an historic legal collectable, which is already being referred to as one of the most important and valuable in British legal history.

To preserve the value and rarity of the print, it will be available only to members of the legal profession and no further prints will ever be published or signed outside this exclusive edition, creating a strong secondary market for investors and serious collectors once this has sold out.

The print will raise £47,000 for the Lord Chief Justice's charity – London Legal Support Trust – and although it will not be formally released until next month, members of Inner Temple are being offered preferential access and the guaranteed opportunity to reserve a print before it goes on general release to the wider legal profession, when the edition will then be offered on a firstcome, first served basis and is expected to quickly sell out.

The print – measuring 20 x 24 inches – has been published to the highest standards using archival inks on acid-free cotton rag paper to create a museum quality, investment grade fine art print that will appeal to the most discerning of investors and collectors of legal memorabilia.

## To order

If you would like to avail yourself of this opportunity to reserve a print at the published price of £295.00 (including delivery to your home or office) please contact Maria on 07711725 865 or maria@hannafineart.co.uk, quoting your membership of The Inner Temple to guarantee your order.

## Trinity Term Diary

### JUNE

- 2 Trinity Term Law Sittings Begin Advocacy Session led by Master Kathryn Arnot Drummond
- 4 Wellbeing Session with Master Rachel Spearing
- 8 Bar Liaison Committee
  9 Executive Committee
  Cross-Examination Lecture with
  Master Alastair Hodge
- 10 Internship Award Interviews
- 11 Library Legal Research Session
- 16 Pupillage Q&A Session
- 17 Books Sub-Committee
- 18 The Inner Temple Quiz Night with Master Hodge
- 19-20 GDL Scholarship Interviews
  - 23 Estates Committee The Golden Rules of Closing Speeches and Submissions with Master Tom Kark and Master Grahame Aldous
  - 24 Qualifying Sessions Sub-Committee
  - 25 Library Committee Social Context of the Law with Master Helen Davies, Master Miles Young and John Shaw

### JULY

- 6 Bar Liaison Committee
- 7 Executive Committee
- 8 Advocacy Training Committee
- 14 Education & Training Committee
- 16 Bench Table
- 27 Investment Sub-Committee
- 29 Pension Scheme Trustees
- 31 Trinity Term Law Sittings End

## SEPTEMBER

#### 19 Advocacy Day & Legal Research Training

- 20 Prospective Students' Question and Answer Day
- 21 PASS Skills Day
- 22 PASS Skills Day Introductory Evening for London Students
- 23 Pension Scheme Trustees
- 26-27 Advocacy Teacher Training Weekend
  - 28 Education & Training Committee

## OCTOBER

1 Michaelmas Term Law Sittings Begin

Events from 1 September are subject to change depending on government advice.

### KEY

#### Green: Qualifying Sessions Blue: Special Events

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### Taking bookings pending government advice

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