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New Zealand

Guide to resources at Lincoln's Inn Library



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Introduction

This guide covers selected legal materials held by Lincoln's Inn Library for New Zealand. The guide includes legislation, case law and commentary, as well as online sources.

Lincoln's Inn Library holds many historic sources for New Zealand which are not covered in this guide.

For a comprehensive list of the materials held by Lincoln's Inn Library, search the online catalogue available at: www.lincolnsinnlibrary.org.uk

There are free guides to the law of New Zealand available on the internet, including:

Bodleian Libraries, University of Oxford

https://libguides.bodleian.ox.ac.uk/law_nz/home

GlobalLex

www.nyulawglobal.org/globalex/New_Zealand1.html

Harvard Law School Library, Harvard University

<https://guides.library.harvard.edu/c.php?g=310277>

Institute of Advanced Legal Studies (IALS)

<https://libguides.ials.sas.ac.uk/newzealand>

Catalogue Guide

Most New Zealand material will be located in the Commonwealth section of the Cellar. It can be identified with a shelf mark such as this:

COMMONWEALTH - NEW ZEALAND - TEXTBOOKS

This guide includes only a selection of the New Zealand material held by Lincoln's Inn Library, but the online catalogue includes virtually all of the Library's holdings. The catalogue is freely available outside the Library here: www.lincolnsinnlibrary.org.uk

Search

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The catalogue provides a selection of search fields that can be used in combination to identify and locate potentially relevant material.

Tips for using these fields to find New Zealand material follow.

Catalogue Guide

Textbooks

The catalogue record for textbooks primarily about New Zealand law should include *New Zealand* as a subject, so include this term in the *subject* field.

The catalogue record for textbooks with only a chapter or section on New Zealand law may only include the reference in a note, so include *New Zealand* in the *words or phrases* field.

To search for the latest editions of textbooks, change the *type* field to *Latest edition held*. To search for old editions of textbooks, change the *type* field to *Old edition*.

Legislation

The author of legislation will be the relevant jurisdiction, so include *New Zealand* in the *author* search field.

Change the *type* field to *Legislation*.

Law Reports & Journals

The catalogue record for New Zealand serials (Law Reports & Journals) should include *New Zealand* as a subject, so include this term in the *subject* field.

Change the *type* field to *Journals* or *Law reports* as required.

Online Resources

A URL link will be available on catalogue records for New Zealand material available on Lexis+. Include *Lexis+* in the *words or phrases* search field to identify these titles. N.B. Not all titles available on Lexis+ will be included on the catalogue.

General Works

Laws of New Zealand

- Covers statutory, regulatory and judicial law
- Includes cross-referencing to Halsbury's Laws of England
- Includes cross-referencing to Halsbury's Laws of Australia

This is also available through our subscription to Lexis+, but the hard copy index has the added benefit of providing a controlled vocabulary to aid searching.

Guides to Research

Greville, M., S. Davidson & R. Scragg
Legal research and writing in New Zealand
2nd ed. 2004

Fong, C. & A. J. Edwards
Australian and New Zealand legal abbreviations
1988

Journals

New Zealand Law Journal
Vol. 33 (1957) onwards

Textbooks

The following is a list of textbooks Lincoln's Inn Library holds in hard copy, from 2010 onwards. Please note the Library holds many old editions and historical textbooks in addition to this list.

Blick, A.

The codes of the constitution

2016

Burrows, J. F.

Burrows and Carter : statute law in New Zealand. 6th ed.

2021

Burrows, J. F, J. Finn & S. Todd

Burrows, Finn and Todd on the law of contract in New Zealand.
7th ed.

2022

Butler, A. & P. Butler

The New Zealand Bill of Rights Act : a commentary. 2nd ed.

2015

Garrow, J. M. E. & R. T. Fenton

Garrow and Fenton's law of personal property in New Zealand.
7th ed.

2010

Textbooks

Hinde, G. W.

Principles of real property law. 2nd ed.

2014

Kessler, J. & K. Ayers

Drafting trusts and will trusts in New Zealand

2010

McLachlan, C.

Foreign relations law

2014

Todd, S.

Todd on torts. 9th ed.

2023



Textbooks with relevant chapters

The following is a selection of recent textbooks which include substantial sections on the law of New Zealand, and which Lincoln's Inn Library holds in hard copy. Please note the Library holds many other titles in addition to this list.

Brabazon, Mark

International taxation of trust income

2019

Busch, Danny

Agency law in commercial practice / edited by Danny Busch, Laura Macgregor, Peter Watts

2016

Chevalier-Watts, Juliet

Charity law : international perspectives

2018

Devlin, Richard

Regulating judges : beyond independence and accountability / edited by Richard Devlin, Adam Dodek

2016

Groves, Matthew

Legitimate expectations in the common law world / edited by Matthew Groves and Greg Weeks

2017

Textbooks with relevant chapters

Ho, Look Chan

Cross-border insolvency : a commentary on the UNCITRAL model law / general editor Look Chan Ho

4th ed. 2017

Jon, Woo-jung

Cross-border transfer and collateralisation of receivables : a comparative analysis of multiple legal systems

2018

Kempster, Steven

International trust disputes / edited by Steven Kempster, Morven McMillan, Alison Meek

2nd ed. 2020

Rosenberg, Kim

Dealing with delay and disruption / Kim Rosenberg, Erin Miller Rankin and Bryan Dayton

2020

Williams, Richard

A practical guide to the transfer of trusteeships / editors Richard Williams, Arabella Murphy and Toby Graham

3rd ed. 2017

Legislation

Lincoln's Inn Library holds the following series in hard copy:

Statutes

1860 onwards

Consolidations

Reprinted Statutes of New Zealand 1979-2003

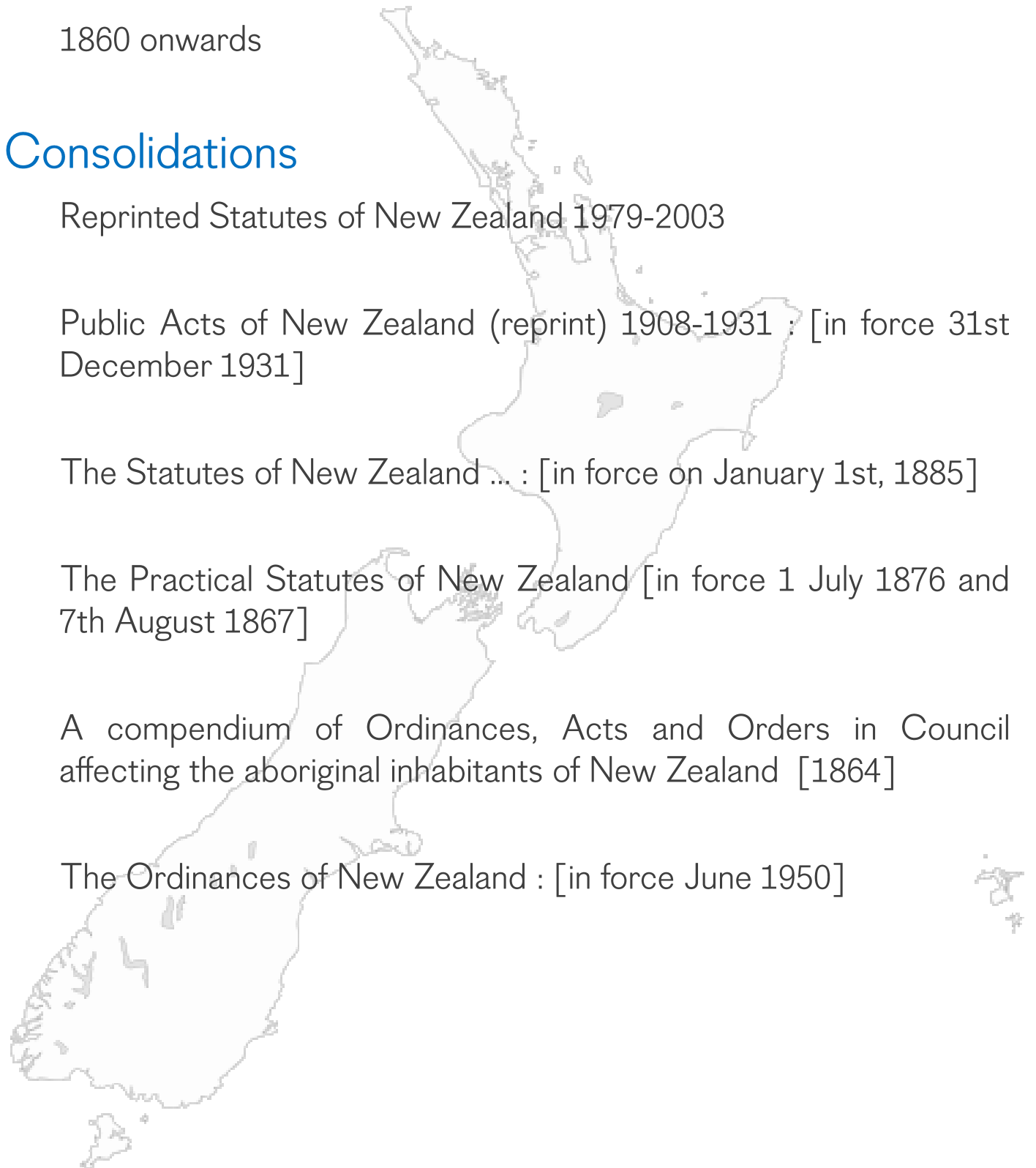
Public Acts of New Zealand (reprint) 1908-1931 : [in force 31st December 1931]

The Statutes of New Zealand ... : [in force on January 1st, 1885]

The Practical Statutes of New Zealand [in force 1 July 1876 and 7th August 1867]

A compendium of Ordinances, Acts and Orders in Council affecting the aboriginal inhabitants of New Zealand [1864]

The Ordinances of New Zealand : [in force June 1950]



Law Reports

Lincoln's Inn Library holds the following series in hard copy:

Main Series

Human Rights Reports of New Zealand
Vol. 1. (1991/1995) onwards

New Zealand Administrative Reports
Vol. 1 (1976) onwards

New Zealand Law Reports (also available on Lexis+)
Vol. 1 (1883) - vol. 47 (1928); 1929 onwards

Citators and Digests

Australian and New Zealand Citator to UK reports

New Zealand Case Citator

New Zealand Case Law Digest

The Digest



Lexis+

Lincoln's Inn Library has access to New Zealand legal materials via our Lexis+ subscription. Included within this are case law, legislation and journal articles. Lexis+ can only be accessed within the Library. This is a selection of the resources we subscribe to.

Legislation

New Zealand Regulations
New Zealand Statutes

Law Reports

District Court Reports
New Zealand Law Reports

Journals

New Zealand Family Law Journal
New Zealand Intellectual Property Journal
New Zealand Law Journal

Commentary

Fisher on Relationship Property
Heath and Whale on Insolvency
Hinde McMorland & Sim Land Law in New Zealand
The Laws of New Zealand
Morison's Company Law
Wills and Succession



Free Online Resources

Inner Temple Library have created and maintain AccessToLaw, a gateway site providing annotated links to selected UK, Commonwealth and worldwide free legal web sites. A selection of these are provided below, but for more free online legal resources visit:

www.accesstolaw.com/commonwealth/new-zealand/

NZLII

The New Zealand Legal Information Institute database provides access to legislation, case law and legal journals.

www.nzlii.org

Ngā Ingoa o Aotearoa (Courts of New Zealand)

Provides practice directions, case summaries and, in the case of the Supreme Court, judgments 2004 onwards in PDF.

www.courtsofnz.govt.nz/

New Zealand Legislation

Provides public, local and private Acts, and Legislative Instruments (Statutory Regulations) as currently in operation. Historical legislation, plus current and historical bills are also available.

www.legislation.govt.nz/

Other Libraries with New Zealand Legal Materials

Inner Temple Library

Responsibility for the various Commonwealth jurisdictions is divided between Inner Temple and Lincoln's Inn Libraries.

Lincoln's Inn Library is the Inn library with primary responsibility for New Zealand legal materials, but Inner Temple Library also hold a substantial collection.

www.innertemplelibrary.org.uk

Institute of Advanced Legal Studies

The Institute of Advanced Legal Studies (IALS) Library has an extensive collection of New Zealand legal materials.

<http://libguides.ials.sas.ac.uk/newzealand>

FLAG Foreign Law Guide

The FLAG database provides a gateway to foreign, international and comparative law collections held within UK university and national libraries, and within major practitioners' law libraries. The database is searchable in several ways and includes descriptions of each collection and links to the web catalogues of contributing libraries.

<http://ials.sas.ac.uk/library/flag/flag.htm>



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