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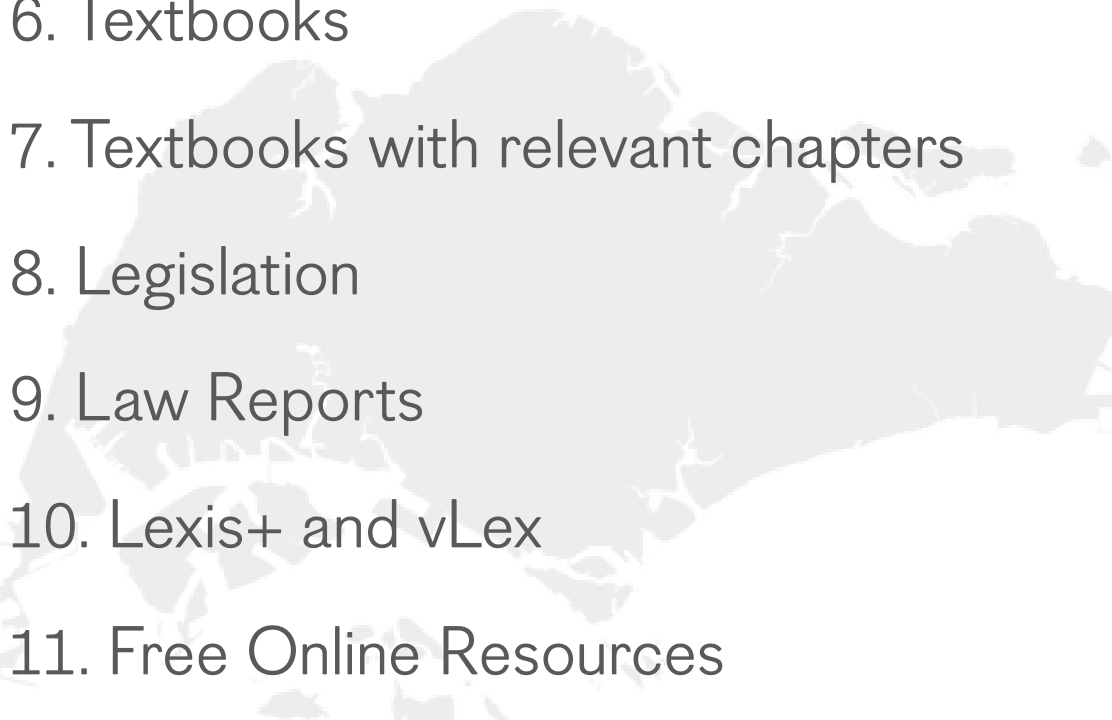
Singapore

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 Singapore. The guide includes legislation, case law and commentary, as well as online sources. Lincoln's Inn Library holds many historic sources for Singapore 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

Until 1867 Singapore was a colony under various forms of Indian administration. It was part of the Straits Settlements colony (1867-1946), then became a separate colony (1946-1963), joined Malaysia on its creation as a new federation on 16 September 1963, but then left Malaysia becoming independent on 9 August 1965. The Library also holds collections for the Straits Settlements and Malaysia. A separate resource guide exists for Malaysia.

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

Bodleian Libraries, University of Oxford

<https://libguides.bodleian.ox.ac.uk/law-singapore>

GlobalLex

<https://www.nyulawglobal.org/globalex/Singapore1.html>

Institute of Advanced Legal Studies (IALS)

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

Catalogue Guide

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

COMMONWEALTH - SINGAPORE - LEGISLATION

This guide includes only a selection of the Singapore 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 Singapore material follow.

Catalogue Guide

Textbooks

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

The catalogue record for textbooks with only a chapter or section on Singapore law may only include the reference in a note, so include *Singapore* 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 *Singapore* in the *author* search field.

Change the *type* field to *Legislation*.

Law Reports & Journals

The catalogue record for Singapore serials (Law Reports & Journals) should include Singapore 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 Singapore 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

Halsbury's Laws of Singapore

1998 onwards

An encyclopaedia of Singapore legislation and jurisprudence. This is available through our subscription to Lexis+, but the hard copy index has the added benefit of providing a controlled vocabulary to aid searching.

Digests

Mallal's digest of Malaysian, Singaporean, English and Australian case law. 1808 onwards

Mallal's digest of Malaysian and Singapore case law 4th ed. 1808/1994

Mallal's monthly digest. June 1991 - December 1994

Mallal's current law. 1997 – 2006

Index to cases from Malaya, Singapore and the Borneo Territories to 1965. 1808/1965

Journals

Singapore Academy of Law journal

Vol. 21 (Sep. 2009); vol. 22 (2010) onwards

Annual review of Singapore cases

Lincoln's Inn: Vol. 9 (2008) 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.

Choong, John

A guide to the SIAC Arbitration Rules

2nd ed. / John Choong, Mark Mangan, Nicholas Lingard

2018

Kessler, James

Drafting trusts and will trusts in Singapore / James Kessler and Chiwi Lee

2015



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.

Chevalier-Watts, Juliet

Charity law : international perspectives

2018

Devlin, Richard

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

2016

Friel, Steven

The law and business of litigation finance 2nd ed. / general editor
Steven Friel

2024

Frimston, Richard

The international protection of adults

2015

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

Lissak, Richard

Lissack and Horlick on international bribery and corruption / Richard Lissack, Fiona Horlick

4th ed. 2025

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:

Acts

1965 onwards

Secondary Legislation

Subsidiary Legislation 1980 onwards

Ordinances 1946-1964

Singapore Colony Orders in Council 1946-1948

Consolidations & Reprints

The Statutes of the Republic of Singapore revised edition 1985
[loose-leaf, to date]

Reprint of the Constitution of the Republic of Singapore
1980[-1985], 1992 & 1999

Law Reports

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

Singapore Law Reports

New Series: 1992 onwards

Old Series: 1946/1949 - 1953/1956

[Also available online via Justis in the Library 1965 onwards]

N.B. The citation SLR(R) refers to the Singapore Law Reports (Reissue). This is a reissue of the reports from 1965-2002, with re-written headnotes and re-edited judgment texts to conform to the Singapore Academy of Law house-style. We do not hold this series but reports up to 1992 can be found in the Malayan Law Journal.

Malayan Law Journal

Vol. 2, nos. 1 - 4 (Jan. - Apr. 1933); vol. 18 (1952) - vol. 30 (1964);
1965 onwards

Straits Law Reports : being a report of cases decided in the Supreme Court of the Straits Settlements, Penang, Singapore and Malacca : also a few judgments of the Indian and English cases : with an analytical index / by Stephen Leicester

1827/1877

Kyshe's reports [Cases heard and determined in Her Majesty's Supreme Court of the Straits Settlements]

1808/1884-1885/1890

LexisLibrary and Justis

Lincoln's Inn Library has access to some Singapore legal materials via our LexisLibrary and Justis subscriptions, which include legislation, commentary and law reports.

Lexis Library and Justis can only be accessed within the Library. This is a selection of the resources we subscribe to.

Lexis

Legislation

Singapore Revenue Legislation

Commentary

Atkin's Court Forms Singapore

Halsbury's Laws of Singapore

Law and Practice of Singapore Income Tax, 2nd ed.

Singapore Court Practice

Woon's Corporation Law

vLex

Law Reports

Singapore Law Reports (1965 onwards)

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/singapore/

Law Society of Singapore

The representative body for all lawyers in Singapore. Its site provides information for and about the legal profession in Singapore, including a directory covering individual lawyers, law firms, notaries public and commissioners for oaths. Publications include the Society's *Law Gazette* October 2017 onwards.

www.lawsociety.org.sg/

LawNet [Singapore]

The “Latest Singapore judgments” section has full-text judgments of the Supreme Court, Family & Juvenile Court and State Courts (formerly termed Subordinate Courts) from the last three months

www.lawnet.sg/lawnet/web/lawnet/home

WorldLII

Aims to provide free access to worldwide law, with the ability to search over 1800 databases from 123 jurisdictions, including Singapore.

www.worldlii.org/sg/

Other Libraries with Singapore 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 Singapore 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 Singapore legal materials.

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

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.

<https://resources.ials.sas.ac.uk/flag-foreign-law-guide/flag-search>



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