Canada

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 Canada. The guide includes federal and regional legislation, case law and commentary, as well as online sources.

Lincoln’s Inn Library holds many historic and regional sources for Canada 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 Canada available online, including:

Bodleian Libraries, University of Oxford
https://libguides.bodleian.ox.ac.uk/law-can

GlobaLex
https://www.nyulawglobal.org/globalex/Canada1.html

Harvard Law School Library
https://guides.library.harvard.edu/c.php?g=309968

Institute of Advanced Legal Studies (IALS)
https://libguides.ials.sas.ac.uk/canada
Introduction

Canada is divided into provinces and territories, some of which have their own provincial or territorial courts. This guide therefore indicates federal and regional sources where relevant. Canadian provinces and territories are as follows:

Provinces

- British Columbia
- Saskatchewan
- Manitoba
- Ontario
- Quebec
- New Brunswick
- Nova Scotia
- Prince Edward Island
- Newfoundland and Labrador

Territories

- Yukon Territory
- Northwest Territories
- Nunavut

Note that Canadian provinces and territories have changed over time, and so regional sources will sometimes relate to provinces which no longer exist. Upper Canada and Lower Canada, for example, were British Colonial Provinces. For more information on the Canadian Legal System, visit the online guides linked on the previous page.
Catalogue Guide

Most Canadian material is located in the Commonwealth section of the Cellar. It can be identified with a shelf mark such as this:
COMMONWEALTH - CANADA - TEXTBOOKS

This guide includes only a selection of the Canadian 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

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 Canadian material follow.
Catalogue Guide

Textbooks

The catalogue record for textbooks primarily about Canadian law should include Canada as a subject, so include this term in the subject 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 Canada in the author search field. Or, if you are looking for regional legislation, use the relevant name, e.g. Quebec.

Change the type field to Legislation.

Law Reports & Journals

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

Change the type field to Journals or Law reports as required, or search for a specific title in the periodical title field.

Online Resources

A URL link will be available on catalogue records for Canadian material available on LexisLibrary. Include LexisLibrary in the words or phrases search field to identify these titles. N.B. Not all titles available on LexisLibrary will be included on the catalogue.
General Works

Key Texts

Halsbury’s Laws of Canada *(available via LexisLibrary)*

Research guides and dictionaries

MacEllvan, Douglass T 3rd ed.
Legal research handbook
1993

Digests and Citators

Canadian case citations
1867 onwards

Index to the Supreme Court of Canada reports
1876 - 1950

Journals

Canadian Bar journal

Canadian Bar review
Vol. 31 (1953) - vol. 70 (1991)

Year book of the Canadian Bar Association
Vol. 35 (1952) - Vol. 53 (1970)
Textbooks

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

Chamberlain, Erika  
Misfeasance in a public office  
2016

Feldthusen, Bruce 6th ed.  
Economic negligence : the recovery of pure economic loss  
2012

Hogg, Peter W 5th ed.  
Constitutional law of Canada  
2006 onwards

Kessler, James 3rd ed.  
Drafting trusts and will trusts in Canada / James Kessler, Fiona Hunter  
2011

Klar, Lewis N 6th ed.  
Tort law  
2017
McInnes, Mitchell
The Canadian law of unjust enrichment and restitution
2014

Pavlich, Dennis 3rd ed.
Trusts in common-law Canada
2019

Sharpe, R. J 2nd ed.
Injunctions and specific performance
1995 onwards

Stuart, Don 5th ed.
Charter justice in Canadian criminal law
2010

Waddams, S. M 7th ed.
The law of contracts
2017

Waters, Donovan W. M 4th ed.
Waters' law of trusts in Canada
2012
Textbooks with relevant chapters

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

Barker, Kit
The law of misstatements : 50 years on from Hedley Byrne v Heller
2015

Chevalier-Watts, Juliet
Charity law : international perspectives
2018

Encyclopedia of international commercial litigation
1993 onwards

Faber, Dennis
Treatment of contracts in insolvency
2013

Frimston, Richard
The international protection of adults
2015

Giliker, Paula
Vicarious liability in tort : a comparative perspective
2010

Gledhill, Kris
Human rights acts : the mechanisms compared
2015
Textbooks with relevant chapters

Higgins, Andrew
Legal professional privilege for corporations: a guide to four major common law jurisdictions
2014

Ho, Look Chan *4th ed.*
Cross-border insolvency: a commentary on the UNCITRAL model law
2017

Hogg, Peter W *4th ed.*
Liability of the Crown
2011

Jon, Woo-jung
Cross-border transfer and collateralisation of receivables: a comparative analysis of multiple legal systems
2018

Lissack, Richard *3rd ed.*
Lissack and Horlick on bribery and corruption
2020

McLachlan, Campbell
Foreign relations law
2014

Rosenberg, Kim
Dealing with delay and disruption
2020
Legislation

Lincoln’s Inn Library holds very little Canadian legislation in hard copy. Almost all federal and regional Canadian legislation can be accessed via the Library’s subscription to Lexis - see the *LexisLibrary* page in this guide for more information. The Library holds the following in hard copy (please note there are some earlier regional sources available):

**Federal**

Revised Statutes of Canada
1985

**Regional**

Civil Code of Lower Canada / by E. Howard Cliff
1939

The Code of Civil Procedure of the Province of Quebec / by Paul C. Casey
1939

Inner Temple hold a large collection of Canadian legislation. The catalogue can be searched here:

[https://www.innertemplelibrary.org.uk/](https://www.innertemplelibrary.org.uk/)

Additionally, some Canadian legislation is freely available online. See the *Free Online Resources* page in this guide for more information.
The following federal series are held in hard copy:

Canada Federal Court reports
1971 - 1989

Canada law reports: Supreme Court of Canada
1923 - 1969

Canada law reports: Exchequer Court of Canada
1923 - 1970

Canada Supreme Court reports

Dominion law reports

Supreme Court cases [Canada]
1880/1905
Law Reports (Regional)

The following regional series are held in hard copy:

**Lower Canada**

Stuart’s Lower Canada Vice Admiralty Reports  
1836/1874

Stuart’s Lower Canada Reports  
1810/1835

Lower Canada Reports  
Vol. 1 (1850/1851) - vol. 17 (1866/1867)

Lower Canada Jurist  
Vol. 1 (1856/1858) - vol. 35 (1883/1891)

**Montreal**

The Montreal Law Reports : Superior Court  
Vol. 1 (1885) - vol. 7 (1891)

The Montreal Law Reports : Court of Queen's Bench  
Vol. 1 (1884/1885) - vol. 7 (1891)

**Newfoundland**

Tucker’s select cases (Newfoundland)  
1817/1828
Law Reports (Regional)

New Brunswick

Stockton’s Vice-Admiralty reports (New Brunswick)
1879/1891

Ontario

Grant’s Ontario Error and Appeal cases
Vol. 1 (1846/1861) - vol. 3 (1865/1866)

Ontario Appeal Reports
Vol. 1 (1876/1877) - vol. 27 (1900)

Ontario Reports. [Old series]
Vol. 1 (1882) - vol. 32 (1900)

Ontario Reports. [New series]

Ontario Practice Reports
Vol. 1 (1850) - vol. 19 (1901)

Ontario Law Reports
Vol. 1 (1901) - vol. 46 (1930/1931)

Ontario Weekly Notes
1961 - 1962

Ontario Weekly Reporter
Vol. 5 (Jan./May 1905) - vol. 18 (Jan./Apr. 1911) + index
Law Reports (Regional)

Quebec

Quebec law reports
Vol. 1 (1875) - vol. 17 (1891)

Les Recueils de jurisprudence du Quebec: Cour Superieure
1967 - 1983

Recueils de jurisprudence du Quebec: Cour provinciale
1975 - 1976; 1978 (fasc. 2); 1979 (fasc. 1); 1980 - 1982

Recueils de jurisprudence du Quebec: Cour du Banc de la Reine
1967 - 1969

Les Recueils de jurisprudence du Quebec : Cour d'Appel
1970 - 1983

Recueils de jurisprudence du Quebec
1986; 1987, fasc. 1, 3-10

Les Rapports judiciaires officiels de Quebec
Vol. 1 (1892) - vol. 79 (1941); 1942 - 1966

Rapports de pratique de Quebec
Vol. 1 (1898) - vol. 47 (1943); 1944 - 1982
Law Reports (Regional)

Upper Canada

Grant’s Upper Canada Chancery reports
Vol. 1 (1849/1850) - vol. 29 (1881/1882)

Taylor’s Upper Canada King's Bench reports
1823/1827

Upper Canada Chancery Chambers Reports
Vol. 1 (1857/1865) - vol. 4 (1872)

Upper Canada chambers reports
Vol. 1 (1846/1850) - vol. 2 (1850/1852)

Upper Canada Common Pleas reports / by Edward C. Jones
Vol. 1 (13-14 Vict. 1850/1851) - vol. 32 (35-36 Vict. 1881/1882)

Upper Canada Queen's Bench reports. Old series
Vol. 3 (1832/1835) - vol. 6 (1839/1844)

Upper Canada Queen's Bench reports. New series
Vol. 1 (1844/1845) - vol. 46 (1882)
We have access to Canadian legal materials via our LexisLibrary subscription, which includes federal and regional legislation, case law, and commentary. Lexis Library can only be accessed from within the Library. This is a small selection of the resources we subscribe to. For a full index, visit the “International Content” page on Lexis.

**Legislation**

All current and most historical federal and regional legislation (primary and subsidiary) in full text.

**Law Reports**

All regional judgments (varying date ranges, from around 1920 onwards)  
Dominion Tax Cases (1920 onwards)  
Federal Courts Reports (1971 onwards)  
Supreme Court Reports (1876 onwards)

**Journals**

Queen’s Law Journal (vol. 21 1995 onwards)  
Canadian Journal of Family Law (vol. 6 1987 onwards)

**Commentary**

Halsbury’s Laws of Canada  
Hughes and Woodley on Patents (2nd ed., 2021)  
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/canada/

Admiralty Law

Focusing on Canadian maritime, admiralty and shipping law, this site divides each subject into categories and includes relevant case summaries, Canadian statutes, and a selection of papers.

https://admiraltylaw.com/

CANLII

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

https://www.canlii.org/en/

Parliament of Canada

Includes current Bills (which can be tracked using the “LEGISinfo” facility), Hansard, and substantive reports of committees. Coverage is from 2001 onwards for Hansard and 1994 onwards for LEGISinfo.

https://www.parl.ca/
Other Libraries with Canadian Legal Materials

Inner Temple Library

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

Although Lincoln’s Inn hold a substantial Canadian collection, Inner Temple have primary responsibility for Canadian materials and so have a large collection.

www.innertemplelibrary.org.uk

Institute of Advanced Legal Studies

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

https://libguides.ials.sas.ac.uk/canada

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