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Consolidated version of an Act/SI
Westlaw UK contains the fully consolidated full text of Acts since 1267 and Statutory Instruments since 1948. You can browse through a list of legislation by title/year, or search by title
To search legislation on Westlaw UK click here
For a guide on searching legislation on Westlaw UK click here

Original Version of an Act/SI
To search legislation on Lawtel, sign on to the service and select Legislation from the top toolbar
For a guide on searching legislation on Lawtel click here

EU Legislation
Westlaw’s EU database covers Regulations, Directives, Decisions, Recommendations and Opinions from 1952.
To search EU legislation on Westlaw UK click here

Specific provision of an Act/SI where I know the provision number
Enter the title of the Act or SI in to the Act/SI Title box.
Use the dropdown menu from Provision Number to select the relevant heading, for example section and enter the number into the corresponding box.

To search legislation on Westlaw UK click here
Specific provision of an Act/SI where I know what it’s about
Enter your search terms in the Free Text box to search for words and phrases across of all legislation on Westlaw UK. If you want to restrict the search to a particular piece of legislation, then enter the title into the box immediately underneath (the Act/SI Title box).

![Search Example](image)

To search legislation on Westlaw UK [click here](#)

Amendment History, Pending Amendments and extent of a provision
All of legislation on Westlaw UK has a Legislation Analysis tool which can be accessed from the left-hand side of the screen whenever you are viewing a provision. Please see below for an example. A range of icons are used so that you can instantly see the status of a provision. Please view in conjunction with Footnote and Commencement information found in the Legislation Analysis section.

![Legislation Analysis Example](image)

Status Icons
Within a result list status icons may display next to the title of the legislation indicating that either the provision represents the law in force ✓, is not yet in force ☐, is partially in force ☑, has been repealed ☑, superseded ☐, has pending amendments ☑, or has prospective amendments applied to it ☑.

Another option available to Westlaw UK is to use the unique versioning tool at the top of each section of legislation. From the current law, you may move backwards and forwards to see either superseded or prospective versions. Please see below.

![Versioning Example](image)

To search legislation on Westlaw UK [click here](#)
Historic or Prospective versions of Act/SI
Use the Advanced Search Screen. After entering Act/SI title (and provision number) select Point in Time and enter relevant date.

To search legislation on Westlaw UK [click here]

Upcoming changes to Legislation
Select Lawtel's Legislation Calendars from the Legislation menu as shown below.

Browse the calendar by time – day, week or month.
Browse the calendar by event type – Statutes, SIs or Parliamentary Bills
Search the calendar by either subject or keyword

To sign into Lawtel [click here]

Statutory Definitions
Westlaw UK enables users to quickly find any terms defined within legislation.
Start typing your definition in to the screen as shown below.

Click the appropriate option and you will be taken to a list of legislation where you will find the definition to your search term.

To search legislation on Westlaw UK [click here]
Parliamentary Bills from 1993/94
Updated daily, Lawtel's Parliamentary Bills Service tracks each stage of a Public Bill as it passes through either the Westminster or Scottish Parliaments or the Northern Ireland Assembly. Held within a fully-searchable archive, each document gives the summary, scope and purpose of a Bill and charts its progress from first reading through the Houses of Parliament for Westminster, through the three legislative stages for Edinburgh or through the three legislative stages for Stormont prior to receiving Royal Assent.

Hypertext links enable you to go directly from Lawtel to the updated versions of the full text, explanatory notes and amendments on the Parliamentary websites for any Bill currently in progress.

Click here to login to Lawtel

Command Papers from 1992/93
Lawtel's Command Papers Service originated in the Parliamentary session for 1992/1993, with the emphasis on collating Green and White Papers from government departments. Since 1997/1998 our coverage has increased to include comprehensive coverage of all Command Papers.

Six defined Command Paper "types" are recognised by Lawtel:
- State Paper
- White Paper
- Green Paper
- Government Reply to Select Committee Report
- Report of Committee Commission
- Annual Report and Statistics

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Index of Legal Terms
Westlaw UK's Index of Legal Terms contains the three most comprehensive and authoritative legal dictionaries; Stroud's Judicial Dictionary of Words and Phrases, Jowitt's Dictionary of English Law and Osborn's Concise Law Dictionary, Statutory Definitions, Judicial Definitions and Definitions from Journals.

Use this if you want to find definitions from:
- Jowitt's Dictionary of English Law
- Stroud's Judicial Dictionary of Words and Phrases
- Osborn's Concise Law Dictionary

To search Index of Legal Terms click here

Use this if you want definitions from:
- Cases click here
- Legislation click here
- Journals click here
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Large database of cases for comprehensive research
Sweet & Maxwell's case digests, over 100 law report series including the ICLR and our transcripts and unreported cases. Coverage begins 1220.

To search for UK cases on Westlaw UK [click here]

EU Cases
EU cases from 3 Courts: Court of Justice (from 1954) and the General Court (from 1989) and the Civil Service Tribunal (from 2006)

To search for EU cases on Westlaw UK [click here]

The most up-to-date cases
Use Lawtel's unique content to ensure that your research is fully up-to-date and check to see whether there are any new cases pending. Lawtel has many cases from lower courts and in addition will include handed-down judgments. This means that you will be able to get the full text of the judgment before the official transcript is available on Westlaw UK. Coverage begins 1980.

[Click here to search for cases on Lawtel UK]

Pending Actions
As well as using Lawtel to find extra cases recently decided on from lower courts, you can also use the Pending Actions feature on Lawtel to check if there are any upcoming cases relevant to your research. Pending Actions covers all cases filed at the Queen's Bench and Chancery Divisions of the High Court

[Click here to search for Pending Actions on Lawtel UK]

Personal Injury Quantum Reports
A unique database of over 3,000 reports dating back to 1980.

[Click here to search for PIQRs on Lawtel UK]

How do I know if it’s still good law?
Whenever you search across cases using Westlaw UK, you may see status icons displayed in the results page.

- A green 'C' next to a case name in a result list or at the top of the actual case indicates that the decision has been judicially considered.
- A yellow exclamation mark next to a case name in a result list or at the top of the actual case indicates that the decision has received mixed or mildly negative judicial consideration.
- A red 'no entry' next to a case name in a result list or at the top of the actual case indicates that at least one point of law has been overruled or reversed. This is an immediate notification that further research is required.

To find out if a case is still good law [click here]
How do I find a case by name?

Click the Cases tab at the top of the screen as shown below.

![Cases tab](image)

Enter the case or party name(s) into the Party Names box. Party names may be entered in any of the following ways:

Goode Martin
Goode and Martin
Goode & Martin
Goode v Martin

If you know the name of one or more of the parties, enter them into "Party Names". The more party names you include, the more precise the search will be.

To find a case by party name click here.

How do I find a case by citation?

Click the Cases tab and enter the citation into the box titled Citation. If you know the case citation, enter it, or part of it, into the field. You do not have to know the exact citation format in terms of brackets and spaces – Westlaw UK will recognise the text and match it to the nearest citation.

For example, [2001] 1 A.C. 1 can be simplified to 2001 1 ac 1 for search purposes.

To find a case by citation click here.

How do I find cases, journal articles or books that may have cited a case?

The Case Analysis tool is a feature unique to Westlaw UK, and the best place to start when looking for this type of information.

Select Case Analysis from the results page.

The left-hand side of the page will provide, (where applicable) links to Cases Citing, Journal Articles and Books. To search for UK cases on Westlaw UK click here.

How do I find cases by legislation cited?

Use the Advanced Search Screen.

To access the Advanced Search click here.

How do I find cases by subject?

Use the Advanced Search Screen.

To access the Advanced Search click here.

How do I find cases by court?

Use the Advanced Search Screen.

To access the Advanced Search click here.

How do I find cases by judge?

Use the Advanced Search Screen.

To access the Advanced Search click here.
How do I find the very latest cases?
Lawtel UK contains many decisions available online within 24 hours of judgement.
Select the Advanced Search option from the Cases menu, as shown below.

Select a relevant subject from the options available and run the search. As the results list is arranged in reverse chronological order, the most recent decisions will be at the top of your results page. For each result you will be able to see both the judgement date and when the case was added to Lawtel.

Click here to access Lawtel

Why not create an automatic update, which will send directly to your inbox the very latest cases by subject?
Click here to create a Lawtel Update

How do I find a law report PDF?
If there is a full text Case Report available in PDF format on Westlaw UK, you can either access it by browsing to the report and clicking on the PDF icon next to the citation or from the full text report by clicking on the PDF of Case Report link in the top right hand corner of the screen.

All cases PDFs are machine-readable, allowing you to copy and paste text from the PDF, and ensures Westlaw UK complies with accessibility legislation.
Users who have subscriptions to both Westlaw UK and our sister service Lawtel can access Lawtel Next Day Transcripts and Official Transcript PDFs through Westlaw UK. You can access these documents by:
Clicking on the PDF icon next to Lawtel Transcript or Official Transcript from within a search result;
Clicking on the PDF of Lawtel Transcript link (see above) in the top right hand corner of the screen from within a case analysis document, or PDF of Official Transcript link (see below) when viewing the Official transcript document.

To search for cases on Westlaw UK [click here](#).

**How do I create a case alert?**

When viewing any case, there is a Create Case Alert option in the top right-hand corner of the page. Click the Create Case Alert link. Choose from any of the 5 different alert options and then follow the simple onscreen instructions.

**I want to be alerted when:**

- This case has changed status (e.g. had neutral judicial treatment but now has some negative treatment)
- An appeal has been heard in this case (including to a supranational court such as the European Court of Justice)
- Another case has been heard between the same parties on a different point of law
- This case has been cited by another case
- This case has been referenced in a journal article

To search for cases on Westlaw UK [click here](#).
How do I know if there is an appeal?

Appeal Status Tracker enables you to track cases on appeal to the Court of Appeal, Civil Division or to the Supreme Court. This means no more phone calls to the court to check the status of your cases. Westlaw UK tracks appeals in progress from the lower courts to the Court of Appeal and Supreme Court as well as applications for permission to appeal from lower courts to the Supreme Court.
SECONDARY SOURCES
What are you looking for?
Please click the link below.

- Journal Articles
- Books
- Case Comments
- Analysis of Legal Developments
- Assistance and guidance on interpreting new Acts
- Procedural Guidance
Journal Articles
Westlaw UK contains the largest online collection of legal journals, with approximately 1,000 titles since 1986 available as abstracts. More than 100 of these journals are available in full text. (PDFs can be mentioned if relevant for firm).

To search approximately 1,000 legal journals click here

Lawtel UK contains specialist articles for:

Employment Click here for Search Employment Specialist Articles
Personal Injury Click here for Search Personal Injury Articles

Books
Westlaw UK contains the finest in comprehensive analytical book titles such as Archbold, The White Book, Woodfall, Copinger, CIPA Guide to the Patents Act as well as the Common Law library titles.

To search Books click here

Case Comments
Lawtel brings you expert opinion on the importance and potential effect of case law decisions as they happen; written by specialists in the field to which the case relates, Case Comments give authoritative views on the development of legal concepts through judicial interpretation.

Click here for Search Case Comments
Click here for Search ECHR Case Comments

Analysis of Legal Developments
Lawtel UK provides a searchable database of analysis of legal developments. The Busy Solicitor’s Digest database is regularly updated and provides practical guidance on the most significant issues affecting legal practice.

Click here for Search Busy Solicitor’s Digest

Assistance and guidance on interpreting new Acts
Westlaw UK contains guidance on practice and/or procedure and extensive legal discussion of all statutes since 2007 and many before then.

Within a result list a Statutory Annotation icon may be displayed indicating an annotation is available.

To search Legislation click here
For more information on Annotated Statutes click here

Procedural Guidance
Lawtel Litigator (part of Lawtel UK) contains 45 procedural guides for Civil Procedure.

Click here for List of Guides
CURRENT AWARENESS

Westlaw UK’s Current Awareness service contains daily updates and notices of cases, legislation, and legal developments derived from official publications, press releases and legal news relating to the United Kingdom. Current Awareness is updated every 15 minutes throughout the day. The information remains in Current Awareness 90 days and then can be found by searching the Current Awareness Archive.

Browse Last 90 Days by Subject to see the latest legal information relevant to your area(s) of law.

To browse Current Awareness by Subject click here

To browse Current Awareness by Content Type click here

Lawtel UK is widely regarded for its updating service. Each week approximately 50,000 Lawtel Updates are delivered electronically to those working within the legal system.

Login to Lawtel
Click My Updates (top right-hand corner of page)
Click Create Lawtel Update (left-hand side of page)
Step One – choose name, frequency format of update
Step Two – choose subject and content for update
Step Three- Save

Alternatively, login to Lawtel and telephone 0800 018 9797. The helpdesk will be happy to guide you through creating your own update(s).
EUROPEAN UNION

What do you need?
Please click the relevant link below.

- EU cases
- EU legislation
- Treaties
- Implementing Measures
European Union

EU Cases
EU cases from 3 Courts: Court of Justice (from 1954) and the General Court (from 1989) and the Civil Service Tribunal (from 2006)
To search for EU cases on Westlaw UK click here

EU Legislation
Westlaw UK's EU database covers Regulations, Directives, Decisions, Recommendations and Opinions from 1952.
To search EU legislation on Westlaw UK click here

Treaties
Treaties from 1951 (including founding treaties, accession treaties, and supplementary treaties).
To search for EU Treaties on Westlaw UK click here

How do I find implementing measures?
Use the National Measures link on the right-hand side of the page.

NEWS

Westlaw UK News content provides you with access to over 1,000 full text news sources. Coverage includes both regional and national material from Dialog and Thomson Financial and is arranged by National Broadsheets, National Tabloids, Business Trade and Industry and International News.
To search all News on Westlaw UK click here
To search National Broadsheets on Westlaw UK click here
To search National Tabloids on Westlaw UK click here
To search Business Trade and Industry News on Westlaw UK click here
To search International News on Westlaw UK click here
AUTHORITATIVE COMMENTARY

Westlaw UK gives you online access to the following titles:
Archbold Criminal Pleading and Evidence [click here]
CIPA Guide to The Patents Acts [click here]
Copinger and Skone James on Copyright [click here]
Kerly on Trade Marks [click here]
Palmer on Company Law [click here]
Terrell on Patents [click here]
Totty & Moss on Insolvency [click here]
The White Book [click here]
Woodfall Landlord & Tenant [click here]
Chitty on Contracts [click here]
Clerk & Lindsell on Torts [click here]
Dicey, Morris and Collins on the Conflict of Laws [click here]
Benjamin's Sale of Goods [click here]
Bowstead & Reynolds on Agency [click here]
Charlesworth & Percy on Negligence [click here]
Phipson on Evidence [click here]
Arlidge, Eady and Smith on Contempt [click here]
Jackson & Powell on Professional Liability [click here]

HOW DO I KEEP UP-TO-DATE?

Both Westlaw UK and Lawtel UK have updating services.

Here are a few examples of updates:
New employment law cases – New legislation about insolvency – New journal articles concerning company law.

Westlaw UK Alerts
To create a Westlaw UK Alert
Select Alerts from the top of the screen and then Create New Alert

Choose your content type – cases, current awareness, journals and/or legislation.
Tick the relevant subject(s) and click Next.
Finally, name your alert, choose a frequency for delivery and file format.

Lawtel UK Updates
[Click here] to login to Lawtel UK
Click on My Updates from the top right-hand corner of the Homepage.
Click Create Lawtel Update from the left-hand side of the screen.
Follow the on screen Steps to complete your update.
• Step 1 – Update name and *delivery
• Step 2 - UK and Specialist Content
• Step 3 - UK and Specialist Content Subjects

*Delivery. The first six options from the dropdown list which are HTML, RTF or Text are the different choices of format you have when you choose to receive your alert by email.
HTML: When you receive your email it will contain a link which when clicked will allow you to see your update on Lawtel.
RTF: When you receive your email it will have attached to it a Word document which contains your update.
Text: When you receive your email it will contain the text of the update within the body of the email.
INTERNATIONAL MATERIALS

Please check with the person responsible for your firm’s subscription to Westlaw UK regarding the inclusion of International Materials.

You may access Westlaw International from the Services menu.

International and Worldwide Materials are available from N. and S. America, EU, UK, Asia and Pacific Rim, Middle East and North Africa and Sub-Saharan Africa.

From the front screen of Westlaw International, select the database across which you would like to search by clicking it.
EASY WAY TO FIND ANY DATABASE ON WESTLAW INTERNATIONAL

Use the Services menu to access Westlaw International
Click the Directory link at the top of the page
Click All Westlaw Database
Enter your search terms into The Search for Database option on the left-hand side of the page.

**Click here for link to All Westlaw Databases**

In the example, below a user has entered *herald tribune*.

Click Go, to see a list of sources (databases) that match your search. You will automatically search across titles and keywords assigned to the individual databases.

Either select several databases for searching by using the relevant check boxes, or click the title of the database. From the next screen there will there be different options available for searching the selected database(s).

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