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# Seasons Greetings

AustLII wishes all its donors and stakeholders a wonderful festive season.

# Thank you for all the support you have given AustLII.



# Highlights: The year in review

In 2012 we have added nearly 50 new databases including an extensive program of back-capturing Australia's legal history. You can now access Australian colonial legislation and case law dating back to the founding of each colony.

All High Court judgments to 1951 can now be downloaded and printed as PDF facsimiles from the Commonwealth Law Reports. Commonwealth Bills and Explanatory Memoranda are also now available. By the end of 2013 AustLII plans to make its collection of Australian legislation and case law as comprehensive and complete as possible.

The history project has also resulted in the addition of two new libraries: Colonial Legal History and Federation Law (coming shortly).

AustLII's free-access automated citator LawCite received a highly commended award for innovation at the 2012 Australia New Zealand Internet Awards (ANZIA's).

AustLII was a featured case study in the recently released research impact assessment trial "Excellence in Innovation"

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The report noted that the AustLII model, and its flow-on effect on public policy, has fundamentally changed legal information systems and has been instrumental in the development of similar free access legal database systems around the world.

## LawCite tip

To reorder your search results, click on the column heading you wish to sort by. LawCite is available at: www.austlii.edu.au/lawcite/LawCite, AustLII's domestic and international citator has indexed more than 4.5 million

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# Did you know these search tips?

1. If you know the title of the case or document you are looking for, use title (your search term) in the search box to reduce your search results. For example: title (mabo).

2. You will find legislation that has never been amended in the Numbered legislation databases and not in the Consolidated legislation databases.

3. To repeat your AustLII search on "Law on Google" use the "Repeat Search Over" functionality on AustLII, it appears to the right of the search box.

### THE AUSTRALASIAN LEGAL HISTORY PROJECT

Australasia has a rich and complex legal history since the first European settlement, and our knowledge of legal practice and precedent in the colonies of Australasia is still developing. This project is ARC-funded research being carried out by AustLII with input from 18 legal historians from universities across Australia.

The project will see the creation of two 'virtual' libraries encompassing Australasian legal history from 1788 to 1950. 1. The Colonial Legal History Library

includes complete annual legislation to 1900 from all of the colonies, including New Zealand, case law, including 'recovered' cases from newspaper reports and legal scholarship concerning the colonial era. 2. The Federation Law Library includes complete annual legislation of the Commonwealth and all states and territories to 1950, case law from the primary report series of the Commonwealth and States to 1950, Federation debates and other legal scholarship concerning the Australian federation.

All material is indexed by the LawCite citator, which allows the subsequent citation history of any case to be tracked. LawCite will act as the linking mechanism for this historical material.

The medium term aim of the project is to include all legislation, reported cases, and cases which can be 'recovered', from the inception of each colony to 1950. We hope that the Library will be a leader in the creation of legal history resources from the colonial era.



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#### Australasian Colonial Legal History Library

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New South Wales Acts As Made 1824-1900 (AustLII)

Superior Courts of New South Wales 1788-1899 (AustLII)

#### Queensland

Superior Courts of New South Wales - Moreton Bay 1851-1859 (AustLII)

☑ Queensland Historical Acts 1860-1896 (AustLII)

#### Victoria

✓ <u>Victorian Historical Acts 1851-1900</u> (AustLII)

▼ Victorian Law Reports 1874-1900 (AustLII)

▼ Victorian Government Gazettes 1851-1900 (AustLII)

#### Western Australia

✓ Western Australian Numbered Acts 1832-1900 (AustLII)

✓ Superior Courts of Western Australia 1833-1898 (AustLII)

# 2012: Top Donors

- The Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) funds AustLII's Australian Treaties Library
- The Legal Practitioners' Liability Committee of Victoria
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- The Law Institute of Victoria
- The Bar Council of Victoria
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- The Federal Magistrates Court of Australia
- The Family Court of Australia
- The Federal Court of Australia
- The Administrative Appeals Tribunal
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- The Fair Work Ombudsman
- The Western Australian Industrial **Relations Commission**
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- The Australian Catholic University
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## AustLII training

If you are interested in attending AustLII's one-day seminar on "Online legal research: Free-access resources" please contact us.

Shorter one hour seminars providing an overview of AustLII can also be provided.

If you have other training styles that would interest you please also let us know.

## New databases

#### **LEGISLATION**

- Commonwealth Numbered Acts expanded to cover 1901-1950
- Commonwealth Bills expanded to cover 1981-
- Commonwealth Explanatory
   Memoranda expanded to cover 1980-
- NSW Bills database expanded to cover 1979
- NSW Bills Explanatory Notes database expanded to cover 1978
- · Victorian Repealed Acts
- Victorian Repealed Regulations
- · Victorian Government Gazettes 1836-
- Victorian Bills expanded to cover 1967-
- Western Australian Numbered Acts expanded to cover 1832-
- Tasmanian Numbered Acts expanded to cover 1826-, 1901-1920
- South Australian Numbered Acts expanded to cover 1837-
- Northern Territory Reprinted Regulations as at 1 January 1967
- Northern Territory Reprinted Ordinances as at 1 January 1961
- Australian Capital Territory Numbered Ordinances 1911-2006

#### **CASE LAW**

- High Court decisions from 1903-1951 upgraded to include PDF facsimiles of the Commonwealth Law Reports (CLRs)
- Australian Courts Considering Aboriginality Case Summaries 1982-
- Magistrates Court of Tasmania 2002-
- Family Court of Western Australia 2011-
- Family Court of Western Australia
   Magistrates Decisions 2011-
- South Australian WorkCover Premium Review Panel 2012-

#### **HEALTH PRACTITIONERS LIBRARY**

- New South Wales Medical Professional Standards Committee 2008-
- Optometry Tribunal of New South Wales 2012-
- Dental Tribunal of New South Wales 2009-
- NSW Medical Tribunal 2010-
- Dental Practice Board of Victoria 2000-
- Medical Practitioners Board of Victoria Formal Hearings 2001-
- Medical Practitioners Board of Victoria - Professional Standards Panel Hearings2009-
- Physiotherapists Registration Board of Victoria 2008-
- Psychologists Registration Board of Victoria 1999-
- Queensland Nursing Tribunal 2004
- Medical Board of Western Australia 2010-
- Dental Board of South Australia 2006-
- Podiatry Board of South Australia 2007-
- Pharmacy Board of South Australia 2008-
- Medical Board of South Australia 2005-
- South Australian Psychological Board Disciplinary Decisions 1991-
- South Australian Psychological Board Court Prosecutions 1992-
- Chiropractic and Osteopathy Board of South Australia Disciplinary Decisions 1992-
- Chiropractic and Osteopathy Board of South Australia Court Prosecutions 1998-
- South Australian Dental Professional Conduct Tribunal 1998-
- ACT Health Professions Tribunal 2006-
- Medical Board of the ACT Professional Standards Panel Outcomes 2005-
- Northern Territory Health Professional Review Tribunal 2010-

#### **TREATIES**

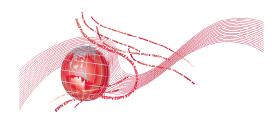
Australian Minor Treaty Actions
Explanatory Statements 2012-

#### **JOURNALS**

- University of Western Australia Law Review 1948-
- Australian International Law Journal 1996-
- Heritage Council of Victoria 2011-
- · Canberra Law Review 2010-
- Southern Cross University Law Review 2011-
- Australian Law Librarian 1993-

#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

- South Australian Ombudsman Reports 2011-
- South Australian Ombudsman FOI Determinations 2012
- New South Wales Law Reform Commission Discussion Papers 1979-2005
- Law Reform Commission of Victoria 1985-1992
- Victoria Law Reform Commissioner 1974-1982
- Victoria Law Reform Commissioner
   Working Papers 1974-1984
- Australian Information Commissioner Case Notes 2011-
- New Zealand Legal Aid Tribunal 2011-



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