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# KNOWLEDGE CENTRE – FREE LEGAL RESOURCES

#### **GENERAL RESOURCES**

#### **Primary Sources**

Legify: Quickly find authorised legislation and subordinate legislation in any Australian jurisdiction

<u>Jade:</u> Cutting-edge legal research tool, includes case law and legislation – and visual legislative history (among other things)

<u>AustLII:</u> Popular legal research tool, includes case law and legislation on Australian and New Zealand jurisdictions

SAI Global Lawlex: Provides up-to-date legislation for all Australian jurisdictions

<u>Commonwealth Bills Digest:</u> Provides description of new Bills brought into Parliament, including background information, the Bill's purpose, key issues and relevant judicial decisions

#### **Secondary Sources**

<u>AustLII:</u> Full-text journal articles, law reform commission documents and other materials covering the Australian and New Zealand jurisdictions

LawCite: International journal article (and case) citatory

Google Scholar: Useful for locating scholarly articles

<u>Opinions on High Blog:</u> University of Melbourne Law Faculty's commentary and analysis of recent High Court decisions

<u>Fee Fie Foe Firm:</u> Search engine that focuses on websites of Australian law firms – useful for locating legal experts, law firm bulletins, articles, press releases etc.

<u>Informit:</u> Service containing journal articles on an extensive range of topics

TimeBase News: News/commentary relating recently enacted and proposed legislation

#### **Current Awareness Alerts**

Lexology

Mondaq

CCH daily email alert

<u>Jade</u>

Google

#### COMMONWEALTH

#### Legislation

ComLaw

Parliament of Australia

Bills and explanatory memoranda

<u>Hansard</u>

Index to explanatory memoranda (1901–1982)

<u>Jade</u> (Note: The above link will direct the user to Jade's legislation collection, which includes links to all Commonwealth Acts and Regulations.)



#### AustLII:

- Acts as enacted (1901-present)
- Regulations as enacted (1979-present)
- Bills
- Explanatory memoranda

Australian Tax Office Legal Database:

· Legislation, explanatory memoranda and statements

#### Takeovers Panel:

• Acts, bills and explanatory memoranda

#### Case Law

<u>Jade</u>

#### AustLII

High Court of Australia:

- · Case summaries
- Current cases submissions
- Special leave application results

#### Federal Court of Australia

<u>Federal Circuit Court of Australia</u> (Note: Judgments are grouped by month. This link directs you to judgments made in October 2018. Past and proceedings judgments can be found via the options bar under the heading "Judgments" (left of the page).)

<u>Family Court of Australia</u> (Note: This link directs you to appeal judgments. First instance judgments can be found via the options bar under the heading "Judgments" (left of the page).)

#### <u>Australian Taxation Office Legal Database:</u>

- Cases (including decision impact statements and test case litigation register):
- ATO interpretative decisions

Commonwealth Sentencing Database

Fair Work Commission (cases decisions and orders)

#### Gazettes

Commonwealth Government Notices Gazette

Food Standards Gazette

<u>Tariff Concessions Gazette</u> (Note: This link directs you to 2018 Gazette publications. Publications from previous years can be accessed via the "Archive" option under the heading "Tariff Concessions Gazette" (left of the page))

#### **Secondary Sources**

House of Representatives Practice

Odgers' Australian Senate Practice

#### Law Reform

Australian Law Reform Commission (ALRC)

AustLII - ALRC:

- Reports (1975-present)
- Consultation papers (2010)
- Discussion papers (1979–present)
- Introductory pamphlets (1995–2000)

#### **Treaties**

<u>Australian Treaties Database</u>



#### **AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY (ACT)**

#### Legislation

ACT Legislation Register:

- Acts, legislative instruments and Bills
- Explanatory statements
- Regulatory impact statements

ACT Legislative Assembly:

• Hansard (1989-present):

#### <u>AustLII:</u>

- Acts
- Regulations
- Bills (2002–present)
- Explanatory statements (2002-present)

#### Case Law

<u>Jade</u>

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Judgments of the Supreme Court (1963-present) and Court of Appeal (2002-present)

Magistrates Court decisions

ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal (ACAT) decisions

#### Gazettes

ACT Gazette (1989-present)

#### Law Reform

Law Reform Advisory Council

#### **NEW SOUTH WALES (NSW)**

#### Legislation

NSW Parliamentary Counsel's Office:

- Acts
- Bills and explanatory notes

Parliament of NSW:

- Bills
- <u>Hansard</u>

<u>Jade</u>

### AustLII:

- Acts
- Regulations
- Bills (1979-present)
- Explanatory notes (1978-present)

Ozcase - NSW land legislation (1833-1858)

#### Case Law

<u>Jade</u>

<u>AustLII</u>

NSW Case Law

Mining Wardens Court Decisions (1971–2009)

Colonial Casa Law - Macquarie University (NSW superior court decisions, 1788-1899)

NSW Industrial Relations Commission



#### Gazettes

NSW Government Gazettes (full text 2001-present, indexes 1980-2013)

NSW Industrial Gazette (2001–present)

#### **Secondary Sources**

Bench Books - Judicial Commission of NSW

The Law Handbook

NSW Department of Justice - Publications and research

#### Law Reform

NSW Law Reform Commission

AustLII - NSW Law Reform Commission:

- Reports (1966–present)
- Issues papers (1981–2006)
- Discussion papers (1979–2005)

#### NORTHERN TERRITORY (NSW)

#### Legislation

NT Government – Department of the Chief Minister:

- Acts and subordinate legislation
- Register of Legislation Database Bills, explanatory statements and other records (full text 2005– present)
- Legislation History Database

NT Legislative Assembly

#### <u>Hansard</u>

#### AustLII:

- <u>Acts</u>
- Regulations
- Bills (1998-present)
- Explanatory statements (2005-present)

#### Case Law

<u>Jade</u>

<u>AustLII</u>

#### Supreme Court:

- Judgments (1986-present)
- Sentencing Remarks (last 3 months)

Magistrates Court judgments (2002-present)

Tribunal decisions

Coronial inquests

NT Courts Library

#### Gazettes

NT Government Gazette

#### Law Reform

NT Law Reform Committee



#### QUEENSLAND (QLD)

#### Legislation

Office of the Queensland Parliamentary Counsel:

- Acts and Regulations
- Bills and explanatory notes (1992-present)

OzCase - Qld Historical Legal Collection

Queensland Parliament:

Hansard

Queensland Local Laws Database

<u>Jade</u>

AustLII:

- Acts
- Regulations
- Bills (1999–present)
- Explanatory notes (1999–present)

#### Case Law

Jade

<u>AustLII</u>

Industrial Court of Queensland and Queensland Industrial Relations Commission

Land Court of Queensland

#### Gazettes

Queensland Government Gazette:

- 2003–present
- <u>1859–1900</u>

#### Law Reform

Queensland Law Reform Commission

AustLII - Queensland Law Reform Commission:

- Reports (1971–present)
- Papers (1969-present)
- Miscellaneous papers (1983–present)

#### SOUTH AUSTRALIA (SA)

#### Legislation

Government of South Australia – Attorney General's Department:

- Acts
- Regulations and Rules (2003-present)
- Bills (2005–present)
- Policies made under the Aquaculture Act 2001 (SA) or the Environment Protection Act 1993 (SA)

Parliament of South Australia:

• Hansard

South Australian Legal Archive – Flinders University:

• Acts (1837–2002)

<u>Subject index to SA legislation – Australian Law Librarians' Association</u>

#### AustLII:

- Acts
- <u>Regulations</u>
- Bills (2002–present)



Proclamations (2003–present)

#### Case Law

<u>Jade</u>

<u>AustLII</u>

Courts Administration Authority:

- Supreme and District Court judgments (last 2 months)
- Environment, Resources and Development Court
- Sentencing Remarks
- Coroner's Findings

#### Gazettes

South Australian Government Gazette (1999-present)

#### Secondary Sources

<u>Foolkit – The Free Legal Toolkit</u>

#### Law Reform

South Australian Law Reform Institute

#### TASMANIA (TAS)

#### Legislation

Tasmanian Legislation:

• Acts and Statutory Rules

Parliament of Tasmania:

- Bills (2002-present), clause notes and fact sheets (2008-present)
- Hansard (1979-present)

#### AustLII:

- Acts
- Regulations
- Bills (2002–present)
- Bills clause notes (2008-present)
- Bills fact sheets (2008-present)

#### Case Law

<u>Jade</u>

<u>AustLII</u>

Supreme Court of Tasmania:

- Judgments (1981–1985)
- Sentences (from 2008)

Magistrates Court of Tasmania

Note: Links contained within will redirect you to AustLII

Tasmanian Industrial Commission Decisions (1985-present)

Colonial Casa Law - Macquarie University (19th century decisions of Tasmanian superior courts)

#### Gazettes

Tasmanian Government Gazette (2008-present)

#### **Secondary Sources**

Tasmanian Law Handbook

#### Law Reform

Tasmania Law Reform Institute

AustLII - Tasmania Law Reform Institute::

• Reports (2003-present)



- Research papers (2004–2006)
- <u>Issues Papers (2002–present)</u>

#### VICTORIA (VIC)

#### Legislation

Victorian Legislation and Parliamentary Documents:

- Acts and Regulations
- Bills and explanatory memoranda

Parliament of Victoria:

• Hansard

#### <u>Jade</u>

AustLII:

- Acts
- Regulations
- Bills (1967–present)
- Explanatory memoranda (1967-present)

#### Cases

Jade

<u>AustLII</u>

Supreme Court of Victoria judgments and sentences

County Court Victoria recent decisions

Magistrates' Court of Victoria

#### Gazettes

Victoria Government Gazettes:

- <u>1998–present</u>
- 1836-1997

#### **Secondary Sources**

Judicial College of Victoria:

- <u>Civil Procedure Bench Book</u>
- <u>Victorian Criminal Proceeding Manual</u>
- Victorian Sentencing Manual

Supreme Court of Victoria Library - Journal Index

#### Law Reform

Victorian Law Reform Commission

AustLII - Victorian Law Reform Commission:

- <u>2002–present</u>
- 1985–1992
- <u>1974–1982</u>

#### WESTERN AUSTRALIA (WA)

#### Legislation

Government of WA – State Law Publisher:

- Acts
- Regulations

Parliament of WA:

- Bills and explanatory memoranda (1997-present)
- Hansard (1996–present)



#### AustLII:

- Acts
- Regulations
- Bills (1998–present)
- Explanatory memoranda (1999-present)

#### Case Law

Jade

<u>AustLII</u>

Supreme Court of WA (1991–present)

District Court of WA (1996-present)

Family Court of WA (2004–present)

Wardens Court (1979-present)

State Administrative Tribunal (2004–present)

Western Australian Industrial Relations Commission and Industrial Appeal Court

#### Gazettes

WA Government Gazette

WA Industrial Gazette (1996-present)

#### Law Reform

WA Law Reform Commission

<u>AustLII – WA Law Reform Commission</u>

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