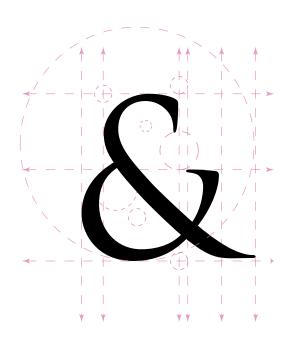


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ABOUT ICLR

The Incorporated Council of Law Reporting for England and Wales is the authoritative publisher of reports of the decisions of judges.

ICLR was established in 1865 to provide a single, consistent and authoritative account of precedent-setting case law in the English and Welsh courts.

We are headquartered in Chancery Lane, London. Our law reporters provide dedicated coverage of cases decided in the senior courts, from the Employment Appeal Tribunal up to the United Kingdom Supreme Court.

We publish our reports on our online platfrom, ICLR.3 (www.iclr.co.uk) and as indivdual printed series of reports.

We operate on a not-for-profit basis and hold charitable status.

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R&D AT ICLR

Open research and development with primary legal materials has not achieved lift-off in the UK.

We want to change that.

There is no shortage of talent or ideas in the UK legal information space. But we've yet to see that talent leveraged against open projects that focus on improving the accessibility of UK primary legal sources and the discovery of insight hidden deep within the primary law corpus.

ICLR's core mission for the past century and a half has been to identify and explain cases that create new law or modify existing law. We have developed a wealth of expertise along the way that we believe can be harnessed to solve problems and deliver value in an open, collaborate setting.



MISSION

These are the things we want to achieve.

- + The promotion of improved accessibility of primary legal materials, both in terms of their dissemination and their intellectual accessibility.
- + The promotion of research that seeks to utilise primary law corpora as a source of data and insight, particularly where the research aims to deliver benefit to society as a whole.
- + The promotion of a more coherent and collaborative approach to solving problems that sit at the junction of legal scholarship, design and technology.
- + To provide external projects support where those projects engage ICLR's traditional spheres of expertise.
- + The construction of a self-sustaining space to think, debate, test ideas and build.
- + The development of long-standing partnerships with governmental, private and third-sector organisations.



VALUES

The values and principles underpinning the way we work.

- + Simplicity is almost always better than complexity.
- + A boring thing that works is better than an over-hyped "solution" that doesn't.
- + Open is better than closed. So long as a project doesn't involve confidential or other sensitive material or concerns, our work should be open by default.
- + Small, frequent steps are better than giant leaps that invariably fail to deliver.
- + Collaboration is good. The more the merrier.
- + Is that an assumption? Challenge it!

ARE YOU AN INCUBATOR?

Nope.

ARE YOU A LAB?

That depends.

If by "lab" you mean a place where research and experimentation is conducted, then yes, we are a lab.

If by "lab" you mean a place that funds start-ups, then no, we are not a lab.

CAN I HAVE ACCESS TO ALL OF ICLR'S DATA?

Whilst we are in no doubt that you'd be able to do all sorts of wonderful things with ICLR's data, our ability to continue to operate as an self-funding charitable organisation requires use to take a protective posture over our proprietary data.

HOW DO I GET IN TOUCH WITH YOU?

We are based in ICLR's headquarters on Chancery Lane in London. You can find out more about the research work we're doing at research.iclr.co.uk.

If you'd like to talk to us about getting involved, send an email to research@iclr.co.uk



PROJECTS WE ARE INTERESTED IN

Here are some of the projects we are keen to get cracking on.

DATA MODELLING

Exploring ways to model cases in isolation and within broader networks.

AUTOMATIC DOCUMENT ENRICHMENT

The automatic imposition of structure on raw, unstructured legal texts, particularly case law.

NATURAL LANGUAGE PROCESSING

The development of open source models capable of accurately identifying entities peculiar to legal writing, such as issues, axioms and ratio.

MARKUP STANDARDS

Collaboratively developing a gold-standard structure for primary legal text markup.

DESIGN

Exploring alternative ways to describe the meaning of primary law materials to improve their accessibility

JOURNALISM & RESEARCH

Collaborating with journalists and researchers to unlock hidden trends and insight in the case law corpus.

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