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ONLINE

Lexis-Nexis News

A new file called *90DAYS* has been added to the *NEWS* library. This file contains the same sources as *CURNWS* but only includes articles from the last 90 days instead of two years.

The Canberra Times is now available from 14 July 1997. It is available in the *ASIAPC*, *AUST*, *NEWS* and *WORLD* libraries in the file *CANBER*.

Two intellectual property sources have been added recently to the *PATENT* library. Baxter World Patent Law in the file *BAXPAL* describes the complete patent process, from filing to grant, for all industrialized nations. Intellectual Property Today in the file *INTIDAY* is a monthly magazine which focuses on legal intellectual property issues.

Consolidated Statutes of Canada have been added to the *CANADA*, *CODES* and *INTLAW* libraries in the file *CANSTA*.

CCH US tax materials are now on *LEXIS*. All the publications are searchable in the *CCHTAX* library. The publications and their file names include the following:

CCH Standard Federal Tax Reporter Cases with Headnotes, *FEDCAS*

CCH Standard Federal Tax Reporter Compilations, *CCHFED*

CCH Standard Federal Tax Reporter News Matters, *FEDCUR*

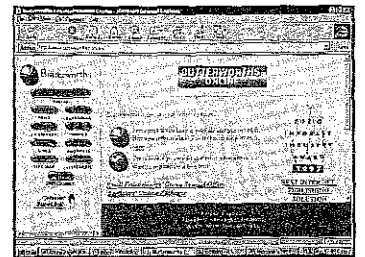
CCH Federal Tax Service, *CCHFTS*

CCH Internal Revenue Code, *CCHIRC*

ON THE NET

Butterworths Online Initiatives

Butterworths have announced a number of new online initiatives including the Butterworths addition as an active channel on



Microsoft's Internet 4.0 Web Browser, a special offer with Telstra Big Pond Home for Butterworths Online subscribers and the addition of Telstra SureLink technology to enable safer and more secure online payments for Butterworths Online services.

Microsoft Internet Explorer 4.0

Users of Internet Explorer 4.0 can subscribe to the Butterworths Active Channel available in the Active Channel Guide. Microsoft Internet Explorer 4.0 takes Internet data retrieval to the next level, which will 'webcast' Butterworths content directly onto the user's desktop. For example, *Butterworth Legal Express*, a daily summary of legal news online, can now be viewed daily at your desktop. Or if you prefer, the legal news of the day can scroll across your screen as Microsoft Explorer 4.0 offers a leap beyond the static Webpages to providing personalised delivery of interactive content as content is 'pushed' to the desktop with no searching or waiting.

Telstra Big Pond Home

In order to facilitate the process for more law professionals to get access to the Internet, Butterworths have announced a special offer with

Telstra Big Pond to give away 3000 Telstra Big Pond Home 10% discount vouchers to Butterworths Online subscribers. This voucher will entitle Butterworths Online subscribers to a 10% discount off Big Pond Home dial-in access charges for the duration of their Butterworths Online membership. This 10% discount offer is extended to both new and existing Butterworths Online members, and applies to monthly plan charges and any additional hour charges.

Telstra SureLink

Butterworths Online also have an Internet payment service which sets new benchmarks in security for all their customers via Telstra SureLink. SureLink provides a new level of security for credit card payments over the Internet through a combination of security standards already used by many banks together with encryption technology.

UK Official Documents

This site has been expanded and now includes the full text of other parliamentary documents as well as Acts and Statutory Instruments since 1996 and Bills.

Selected Command Papers, Green and White Papers and Consultative Documents are now available in full text. House of Lords debates are available from 10 June 1996; and for the House of Commons the five most recent days debates are available. Orders papers since October 1996 are included. Select Committee Reports are available from both the House of Lords and the House of Commons.

House of Lords Judgments since 14 November 1996 are included; and the site now includes Judgments of the Lord Chancellor's Department.

Other information available includes press releases from government departments and from Select Committees of both houses. There is also a Weekly Information Bulletin which includes information on bills before parliament and their progress and Business of the House of Lords and House of Commons for the coming week.

Environmental Treaties and Resource Indicators

Entri is a collection of over 170 international environmental treaties and national resource indicators. The treaties are organised into nine issues areas which include land use, climate change, ozone depletion, air pollution, biodiversity, deforestation, the oceans, trade and the environment and population. Treaties can be browsed in alphabetical or chronological order or searched for by keyword. They can also be searched by seven basic questions, including date of entry into force, subject and country.

Legal Journals on the Internet

The Flinders University Law Library annotated list of Legal Journals on the Internet has just been updated and now includes links to over 180 legal journals. The list is divided into full text legal journals, and those with abstracts or contents pages only.

Search Engines

Northern Light is a fast new search engine which in addition to searching the web searches 1800 full text journals, reviews books, magazines and news wires containing approximately one million articles. Some law journals are available, including the American Business Law review and the Yale Law Journal. Abstracts are provided free; and the full article can be purchased for between US\$1-4. Each week, articles from a selected journal are made available free.

An interesting feature of Northern Light is that it groups search results into custom query folders on the left hand side of the screen. Depending on the topic of the search, these folders may be of four kinds: subject, type of document, source eg commercial or educational web site and language. For a query on feminist jurisprudence, my results were grouped into ten folders, including feminist theory, feminism, law, international law, educational sites and personal pages.

A disadvantage is that it does not yet support full boolean searching; although you can use **or** and **not**. A **+** symbol before a word indicates that it must be present in the search results; and a **-** symbol that it must not.

List of URLs

Butterworths Online
www.butterworths.com.au

UK Official Documents www.official-documents.co.uk/menu/uk.htm

Legal Journals
www.lib.flinders.edu.au/resources/sub/law/LEGALJ.HTM

Environmental Treaties
<http://sedac.ciesin.org/entri>

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