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PREFACE

The first occasional paper from the Library of the University College was published in 1960, the year in which the Library, then in its earliest beginnings, moved into its present building.

A decade has elapsed between the appearance of that paper, entitled *A directory of libraries in the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland*, and this, its immediate successor. Whereas the first was issued in mimeographed form, this is produced by letter-press in the format adopted by the University for all its occasional papers series. For this reason and also, because of the change and development in librarianship that has taken place in the library system of the University it has been decided that a new series should be commenced.

The Main Library of the University is the centre of a system which includes a Law Library, a Medical Library, a Map Library and an Education Library. These services are linked with teaching and research not only in the University, but with academic and professional activity throughout Rhodesia.

The staff have clearly, therefore, a responsibility towards the development of librarianship and information work in this country and a responsibility to demonstrate to the older universities in Southern Africa what new elements may be advantageously introduced into academic librarianship. As a new library we are in a position to experiment and to report the results to the interest, and we hope the benefit, of other libraries.

These then will be the functions of the new series, in which several papers are planned. It is anticipated that publication will be fairly regular.

Albert Harrison

Librarian
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INTRODUCTION

THE CLASSIFICATION SCHEME FOR LAW BOOKS

The need to devise a new system of classification for materials in the Law Library of the University of Rhodesia arose firstly out of the inadequacy of the former system, which subdivided practically all material by country, and secondly, out of the expansion and growth of the Law Library itself.

The present scheme retains the K symbol assigned to Law by the Library of Congress, but has been independently designed with local jurisprudence as well as the teaching needs of the Department of Law at the University in mind.

The schedule is based upon an outline compiled by Mr. G. R. J. Hackwill, of the Department of Law, whom I would like to thank for his co-operation.

Two features of the classification scheme deserve to be specially mentioned. These are (a) expansibility and (b) recurrence of numbers.

(a) Expansibility:

Each of the main classes in the scheme has a range of 10,000 places. As only a few of these places have been assigned in each case (only class KQ has numbers up to 491) it is obvious that a great deal of expansion is possible within each class. This expansibility is further increased by the fact that a number of letters of the alphabet have not been used. These letters are I, O, P, T, V, W and Y which can be introduced into the schedule at any time should the need arise.

(b) Recurring Numbers:

These are primarily memory aids and are the most important feature of the scheme. Except in the case of KB - Jurisprudence the same numbers have the same value or meaning throughout, both horizontally in the main classes and vertically in the sub-classes, e.g. 3 is the number for dictionaries, 5 for bibliographies, 6 for history, etc.
Tables

The tables of subdivision at the end of the schedule should be applied as indicated in the scheme. Table I is a list of form or subject divisions. Table II is to be used where geographical division is required.

Special Aspects

The category Special Aspects is one which deserves mention, as this is the division used for books treating of a specific aspect of a subject or approaching a subject from a specific point of view, e.g. KH11: Quasi-contract (KH2-11: Contract law). Except where indicated no subdivisions by Cutter number for subjects are made here. For the time being no country subdivisions are envisaged but, should the need arise, these could easily be added after a decimal point.

Bibliographical Material

The number for bibliographies under Reference works, K305 is not confined only to general bibliographies of law, but also bibliographies of the law of one country. Subject bibliographies, whether general or pertaining to a country, are classed with the subject at the number for bibliography.

Periodicals

Periodicals are classed in KA1-10 except in the case of KS (Criminal law) and KZ (Revenue law).

Sources


SYNOPSIS OF MAIN CLASSES

K Statutes. Ordinances. Law reports. Encyclopaedias of law
KA Periodicals. Yearbooks. Annuals. Law—General
KB Jurisprudence. Legal system
KC Roman law. Ancient law
KD Roman-Dutch law and Old civil law
KE English law
KF Foreign and comparative law
KG Conflict of laws. Private international law
KH Contract. Commerce. Business
KJ Industrial law. Factory law. Industrial safety
KK Delict and tort
KL Property
KM Equity. Trusts. Succession
KN Family law. Dissolution of marriage
KQ Constitutional and administrative law
KR Concurrent law and courts
KS Criminal law
KU Practice. Procedure. Evidence
KX Tribal and customary law
KZ Revenue law
K

STATUTES. ORDINANCES

1    Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland
2    Southern Rhodesia. Rhodesia
3    South Africa
   .1    Cape
   .2    Natal
   .3    Orange Free State
   .4    Transvaal
   .5    South West Africa
   .6    Transkei
4    Great Britain
5    Commonwealth & former Commonwealth countries
   Individual countries, A-Z
6    United States of America
   .A1    Federal
   .A3-Z    By State
7    Germany
8    France
9    Other, by country, A-Z

LAW REPORTS excluding taxation

101    General
110    Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland
120    Southern Rhodesia. Rhodesia
126    Native Appeal Court
130    South Africa
   .2    Supreme Court. Appellate Division
   .5    Native Appeal Court
131    Cape of Good Hope
132    Natal
133    Orange Free State
134    Transvaal
135    South West Africa
136    Transkei
140    Great Britain
150    Commonwealth & former Commonwealth countries
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K
160 United States of America
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180 France
190 Other, by country, A-Z

ENCYCLOPAEDIAS OF LAW. DIGESTS OF CASE LAW

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202-209 By country (Table II)
  e.g. Bisset and Smith
  Halsbury’s laws of England
  Restatement of the law

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301 Law lists
302 General forms and precedents
303 Dictionaries
304 Directories. Indexes
305 Bibliographies
### LAW—GENERAL

18 General
19 Congresses and conferences
20 Collected works of individual authors. Collections
   Festschriften
21 Addresses, essays, lectures. Correspondence
26 History, including legal dress
28 Biography—general
   By country (Table II)
   A-Z for individual biography,
   e.g. KA28.4.B57 Birkett, Norman, 1st Baron Birkett
30 Anecdotes
31 Advice to lawyers and students, excluding practice
   and procedure
32 Trials
33 Study and teaching of law
35 Profession of law. Law as a vocation. Law of profes-
   sional practice
36 Law publishing. Law libraries and librarianship
   Law classification systems
38 Legal language. Legal draftsmanship
JURISPRUDENCE. LEGAL SYSTEM

Jurisprudence

2-9 Subdivide (Table I)
10 General works. Textbooks
e.g. Salmond
11 Legal theory and philosophy of law
e.g. Austin
    Kelsen
    By country (Table II)
12 Special aspects
e.g. law and morals, natural law
13 Law reform and legal change
14 Sources of law. Statute, precedent, custom and text
    books treating the subject theoretically
15 Legal concepts
e.g. causation

Legal System

22-29 Subdivide (Table I)
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    By country (Table II)
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Roman Law

2-9 Subdivide (Table I)
10 Sources. Latin and translated texts, including texts with commentaries
11 General works. Textbooks
   Divide by language (Do not put translations with original language)
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   .4 English
   .7 German
   .8 French
   .9 Other, A-Z
12 Special aspects
   Divide by language, as above

Ancient Law

22-29 Subdivide (Table I)
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31 General works. Textbooks
32 Special aspects
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e.g. South Africa, Ceylon
11 Special aspects
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   .G7 Grotius, Hugo
   .H8 Huber, Ulric
   .K3 Keessel, Dionysius Godefridus van der
   .L3 Leeuwen, Simon van
   .L5 Linden, Johannes van der
   .L6 Loenius, Joannes
   .L8 Lulius, Didericus
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* By original date of publication  
** By author's country of origin
FOREIGN AND COMPARATIVE LAW

Foreign Law

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7-9 Subdivide (Table I)
10 General works. Textbooks
    By country (Table II)
11 Special aspects

Comparative Law

22-29 Subdivide (Table I)
30 General works. Textbooks
31 Special aspects
KG
CONFLICT OF LAWS. PRIVATE INTERNATIONAL LAW

2-9  Subdivide (Table I)
10  General works. Textbooks
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11  Special aspects
CONTRACT. COMMERCE. BUSINESS

Contract Law
2-9 Subdivide (Table I)
10 General works. Textbooks
   By country (Table II)
11 Special aspects
   e.g. quasi-contract, engineering contracts

Commercial and Mercantile Law
Business Law
12-19 Subdivide (Table I)
20 General works. Textbooks
   By country (Table II)
21 Special aspects

Sale
22-29 Subdivide (Table I)
30 General works. Textbooks
   By country (Table II)
31 Special aspects
   e.g. exception clauses, C.I.F. and F.O.B. contracts

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40 General works. Textbooks
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      By country (Table II)
21 Special aspects

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Delict

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   e.g. vicarious liability
12 Particular delicts
   e.g. libel and slander, defamation

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22-29 Subdivide (Table I)
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   By country (Table II)
31 Special aspects
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51 Special aspects
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10 General works. Textbooks
    By country (Table II)
11 Special aspects
    e.g. ownership

Real and Immovable Property. Real Estate. Land

12-19 Subdivide (Table I)
20 General works. Textbooks
    By country (Table II)
21 Special aspects
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Constitutional Law

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10 General works. Textbooks
11 Special aspects, A-Z
   e.g. .C2 Cabinet
       .C5 Civil rights
       .F5 Finance
       .H7 Housing
       .L5 Liability
       .N2 Nationality
       .P2 Parliament
       .S6 Sovereignty

Rhodesia

12-19 Subdivide (Table I)
20 General works. Textbooks
21 Special aspects, A-Z

South Africa

22-29 Subdivide (Table I)
30 General works. Textbooks
31 Special aspects, A-Z

Great Britain

32-39 Subdivide (Table I)
40 General works. Textbooks
41 Special aspects, A-Z
   e.g. .063 Ombudsman

Commonwealth and former Commonwealth Countries

42-49 Subdivide (Table I)
50 General works. Textbooks
   By country, A-Z
51 Special aspects, A-Z

United States of America

52-59 Subdivide (Table I)
60 General works. Textbooks
61 Special aspects, A-Z
   e.g. .R36 Religious freedom

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KQ

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62-69 Subdivide (Table I)
70 General works. Textbooks
71 Special aspects, A-Z

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72-79 Subdivide (Table I)
80 General works. Textbooks
81 Special aspects, A-Z

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   Special aspects
   e.g. .C3 Censorship
   .G7 Group areas
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   By country (Table II)
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12-19 Subdivide (Table I)
20 General works. Textbooks
   By country (Table II)
21 Special aspects

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22-26 Subdivide (Table I)
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29 Non-Christian. General works, excluding the private
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10 Evidence
   By country (Table II)

12 Civil procedure, rules of court, costs, etc.
   By country (Table II)

15 Criminal procedure, rules of court, costs etc.
   By country (Table II)

18 Pleading
   By country (Table II)

20 Forms and precedents of pleadings

22 Practitioners’ guides

25 Interpretation of deeds and statutes

28 Particular courts

30 Arbitration—practice and procedure

35 Foreign (i.e. not English, Rhodesian, South African)
KX

TRIBAL AND CUSTOMARY LAW

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2-9 Subdivide (Table I)
10 General works. Textbooks
   By country (Table II)
11 Special aspects.
   By country (Table II)
16 Native courts
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REVENUE LAW

1  Periodicals and reports
e.g. British tax review
2-9  Subdivide (Table I)
10  General works. Textbooks
    By country (Table II)
11  Special aspects
    e.g. tax planning

Income Tax

12-19  Subdivide (Table I)
20  General works. Textbooks
    By country (Table II)
21  Special aspects
    e.g. P.A.Y.E.

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22-29  Subdivide (Table I)
30  General works. Textbooks
    By country (Table II)
31  Special aspects

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3. Dictionaries  
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