Lawcite QuickStart Guide Exercise 1 Citation

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1 Introduction

The lawcite QuickStart Guide Exercise Pack consists of three exercises.

Exercise 1 illustrates the different styles available to the citation commands.

Exercise 2 demonstrates how to produce the Table of Cases and a general index.

Exercise 3 demonstrates the use of numbered paragraphs.

2 Exercise 1

Compile this document with (xe/lua)latex, biber, (xe/lua)latex.

3 Result

Given a bibentry as shown in listing 1,¹ the results are shown in subsections 3.1 and 3.2.

```
@case{snail,
  partya = {Donoghue},
  partyb = {Stevenson},
  reportyear={1932},
% volyearneeded = {true},
  reportseries = {AC},
  reportpage = {562},
  casenickname = {snail in the bottle},
  note = {HL},
  }
```

Code listing 1: The *Donoghue* case bibentry.

3.1 Standard styles

\lawcite with the built-in styles:

```
\lawcite (MLR) ...... Donoghue v. Stevenson<sup>2</sup>
\lawcite (McGill) ... Text<sup>3</sup>
\lawcite (Indigo) ... United States v. Detroit Timber & Lumber Company, 200 US 321 (1906)
\lawcite (AGLC) ..... Text<sup>4</sup>
\lawcite (Default) ... Text<sup>5</sup>
```

¹And using a US case to illustrate Indigo.

²[1932] AC 562 (HL).

³Donoghue v Stevenson, [1932] AC 562 (HL).

⁴Donoghue v Stevenson [1932] AC 562 (HL).

⁵Donoghue v Stevenson [1932] AC 562 (HL).

3.2 Modified styles

The built-in styles with \setallabove:

```
\lawcite (MLR) ..... Donoghue v. Stevenson [1932] AC 562 (HL)
\lawcite (McGill) ... Donoghue v Stevenson, [1932] AC 562 (HL)
\lawcite (Indigo) ... United States v. Detroit Timber & Lumber Company, 200 US 321 (1906)
\lawcite (AGLC) .... Donoghue v Stevenson [1932] AC 562 (HL)
\lawcite (Default) ... Donoghue v Stevenson [1932] AC 562 (HL)
```

For switching styles mid-document, the style switches are:

\lcsetstylemlr

\lcsetstylemcgill

\lcsetstyleindigo

\lcsetstyledefault

\lcsetstyleaglc

For a single-style document, the style can be set initially at document startup with the lawcitestyle= biblatex option:

```
lawcitestyle=aglc,
```

lawcitestyle=default,

lawcitestyle=mcgill,

lawcitestyle=mlr,

lawcitestyle=indigo,

The style, or any of its components, can be changed at anytime after.

4 Examples

4.1 Recent cases

For very recent cases,⁶ usually only the medium-neutral (MNC) or the court's case number will be available.

Aus

Applicant S270/2019 v Minister for Immigration and Border Protection [2020] HCA 32

Can

Michel v Graydon, 2020 SCC 24

UK

Revenue and Customs v Parry [2020] UKSC 35

US

Little v. Reclaim Idaho, USSC (July 30, 2020), No. 20A18

4.2 Reported cases

Published decisions will be in one more law report series by volume and page, although for more recent cases, it will become more and more likely that "[t]he citation refers to the decision's volume and page number in a book that will never be printed" as publication goes online and becomes virtual.

Aus

Royal Botanic Gardens and Domain Trust v South Sydney City Council [2002] HCA 5, (2002) 186 ALR 289

Can

Babcock v Canada (Attorney General), 2002 SCC 57, [2002] 3 SCR 3

⁶The cases listed are as at September 2020.

⁷Martin, *Introduction to Basic Legal Citation*, p. 29.

UK

Cox v Ergo Versicherung AG [2014] UKSC 22, [2014] AC 1379

US

Pittsburgh Melting Co v. Totten, 248 US 1 (1918)

US-ND

State v. Birchfield, 2016 ND 182, 885 NW 2d 62 (NDSC)

Note that, for this last citation, althought 'State' is the party name published in the law report, it will be more useful for readers who do not have the advantage of knowing the context from being within the jurisdiction to put the actual state name into the bibentry, in this case 'North Dakota'.

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References

Martin, Peter W. *Introduction to Basic Legal Citation*. online PDF at LII, 502 pages, 2017.