

Style and Citation Guide for Authors

I – Introduction

In this document you will find guidance on the presentation of articles. Please ensure that your submission adheres to the rules in this guide.

Thank you.

II - Style Reference Guide

A. Front Page

Please include a brief biography and an abstract of no more than 300 words.

B. Font

The font style used is Bell MT, size 12. There are three exceptions to this general rule:

- The article title is Bell MT, size 14;
- The abstract is Bell MT, size 10; and
- Bell MT, size 10 is used in the footnotes.

The line spacing is 1.5, or when quotes are indented, single spacing. The footnotes are also single-spaced.

C. Quotations

Quotations must always be enclosed in quotation marks and must be followed by a footnote indicating the exact page(s) where the quote appears. You **only** indent when the passage you are quoting is **4 or more lines**.

Whenever you make any changes to a direct quotation, apart from omissions, use square brackets to do so:

As Rapping notes:

[t]he defense [in the Menendez case] did this by masterfully reorganizing jury *perceptions* not only of what facts might be in question in the case but of what narratives and assumptions about the patriarchal family the jury should be using to gauge the guilt of the defendants. By offering an antipatriarchal, implicitly feminist counternarrative in which the father, not his sons, is the evil wrongdoer, they ... nearly ‘nullified’ the jury.⁸

⁸ E. Rapping, “The Movie of the Week: Law, Narrativity, and Gender on Prime Time” in Martha A. Fineman & Martha T. McClusky, eds., *Feminism, Media and the Law* (New York: Oxford University Press, 1997) 91 at 96 [emphasis in original].

If the emphasis has been added by you, this must be acknowledged in the footnote:

⁴ F. J. Mootz III, “Legal Classics: After Deconstructing the Legal Canon” (1994) 72 N.C.L.R. 977 at 981 [emphasis added].

D. Footnotes

The I.J.L.S. uses *supra*, *infra* and *ibid.* in footnotes. Here is an example of how they are used:

³ For an example of this analysis, see *infra* note 7.

...
⁷ D. McGrory, “Air Pollution Legislation in the United States and the Community” [1990] 15 European L.R. 298 [hereinafter McGrory].

...
¹³ McGrory, *supra* note 7 at 300.

¹⁴ *Ibid.*

¹⁵ *Ibid.* at 302.

¹⁶ *People (D.P.P.) v. McMahon* [1987] I.L.R.M. 87 at 90 [hereinafter *McMahon*].

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¹⁹ *McMahon*, *supra* note 16 at 91.

Please note the use of the hereinafter rule in notes 7 and 16.

E. The use of Italics

Italics must be used in the following instances:

- for the title of statutes
- for book titles
- for newspaper titles
- for case names
- for Latin words and abbreviations: *e.g.*, *supra*, *infra*, *etc.*, *op. cit.*, *i.e.*
- for emphasis but only sparingly.

F. Headings and Sub-headings

Headings and sub-headings are numbered as follows. All are in bold font, but please note when a heading should be underlined and/or italicised or not.

I – Introduction

II – Second Main Heading

A. Sub-heading

B. Sub-heading

C. Sub-heading

(i) Sub-sub-heading

(ii) Sub-sub-heading

III – Conclusion

G. Full-stops

Full-stops must be used in the following instances:

- to end a sentence
- when using acronyms – Irish Journal of Legal Studies becomes I.J.L.S., the European Court of Justice becomes E.Ct.H.R., *etc.*
- In case names: *A.G. v. X.* [1992] 1 I.R. 1.

III – Citation Reference Sheet

A. Statute – statute title is always in italics

Pinpointing to particular section of a statute in the main body of text

“The definition of burglary provided in section 12 of the *Criminal Justice (Theft and Fraud Offences) Act 2001* is relevant here.”

Pinpointing to particular section of a statute in a footnote

- to one section:

Criminal Justice (Theft and Fraud Offences) Act 2001, s. 12.

- to more than one (sub-)section:

Criminal Justice (Theft and Fraud Offences) Act 2001, ss. 12, 14.

Criminal Justice (Theft and Fraud Offences) Act 2001, ss. 12-14.

Criminal Justice (Theft and Fraud Offences) Act 2001, s. 16(1)-(4).

Criminal Justice (Theft and Fraud Offences) Act 2001, s. 16(2)(a)-(c).

B. Case Citation – case name always in italics

Pinpointing to a particular page(s) in a judgment – note: while you may provide the full title of the case in the main text, the citation information and pinpoints should only ever be provided in the footnote, never in the main text

e.g. In the case of *People (D.P.P.) v. McMahon* it was held ...²

² *People (D.P.P.) v. McMahon* [1987] I.L.R.M. 87 at 90.

If you are referring to more than one page:

² *People (D.P.P.) v. McMahon* [1987] I.L.R.M. 87 at 90-91.

² *People (D.P.P.) v. McMahon* [1987] I.L.R.M. 87 at 90, 93.

The same basic method applies if the judgment uses paragraph numbers:

Campus Oil Ltd. & Ors v. Minister for Industry and Energy & Ors. [1983] I.E.S.C. 2 at para 6.

Campus Oil Ltd. & Ors v. Minister for Industry and Energy & Ors. [1983] I.E.S.C. 2 at paras. 6-7.

Campus Oil Ltd. & Ors v. Minister for Industry and Energy & Ors. [1983] I.E.S.C. 2 at paras. 6, 9.

Please note the use of full-stops in the citation and the use of the abbreviated form of para.

C. Textbooks

Although the same basic format is used for all textbooks, there are some minor variations:

One author M. E. Rodgers, *Family Law* (London: Blackstone, 1998).

Multiple Authors K. Wood & P. O' Shea, *Divorce in Ireland: The Options, the Issues, the Law* (Dublin: O' Brien Press, 1997).

Multiple Edition: R. Byrne & J. P. McCutcheon, *The Irish Legal System*, 3rd ed. (Dublin: Butterworth, 1996).

Article in Textbook C. Fennell, "Criminal Law and the Criminal Justice System: Woman as Victim" in Alpha Connelly, ed., *Gender and the Law in Ireland* (Dublin: Oak Tree Press, 1993) 151.

Please note that you must include the first page on which the article appears as part of the citation.

If you wish to refer to a specific page in a text book, the format used is "at 154" **not** "at p.154." If the source uses para. numbering, then write "at para. 1.01" or "at paras. 1.01-1.13."

D. Article in Periodical/Journal

D. McGoldrick, "The Permanent International Criminal Court: An End to the Culture of Impunity?" [1999] *Crim. L.R.* 627 at 630.

E. Law Reform Materials

Law Reform Commission, L.R.C. 62-2000, *Report on the Rule against Perpetuities and Cognate Rules* (Dublin: Law Reform Commission, 2000).

Law Reform Commission, L.R.C. C.P.21-2003, *Consultation Paper on Business Tenancies* (Dublin: Law Reform Commission, 2003).

F. Material accessed on a Website

Irish Sentencing Information System <www.irishsentencing.ie> (date accessed: 20 December 2012).