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Welcome to the first issue of Cutting Through 2022-2023; a newsletter guiding you through the legal world with news, and recommendations in films and podcasts to enrich your legal knowledge. In addition to events to attend and tips to upskill yourself! We hope you enjoy!
-Shannon, Newsletter Editor 2022-2023

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The latest industrial action started by underpaid barristers is set to end after the Ministry of Justice has agreed to an investment of £54million. This package means that barristers will be entitled to receive up to £7,000 extra per year for their legal aid services. In the previous months, barristers have walked out due to underpaid wages which have led to a clog up in the criminal justice system causing defendants to be bailed from lack of counsel. A recent ruling from a high court judge which denied the extension of custody waiting times also helped the government put this plan in place sooner.

Read more about the action [here](#). Read more about the legal news [here](#), on the Guardian page.

Barrister calls out Judge who implies that only stupid women get raped.

Barrister Charlotte Proudman denotes that a judge who says he finds it difficult to believe that an “intelligent woman” would struggle to recall the date of the alleged misconduct. In the appeal court, Ms. Proudman submits to Mrs. Justice Knowles, sitting in the Family Division in the High Court, that,

“The notion that an ‘intelligent lady’ would remember is wholly outdated and inappropriate...

...(Judge Marin) applies a higher burden for an intelligent rape victim to meet than a ‘stupid’ rape victim.

...(He) fails to understand that rape victims behave and respond in different ways and instead uses the inability to give a precise date as a means of undermining her credibility.”

There has yet to be a verdict, in this case, Mrs. Knowles, has pointed out that the child in this dispute should remain anonymous

Read more about the report [here](#). Read more about the legal news [here](#), on the Guardian page.

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A recent draft EU bill called the AI Liability Directive, also called the EU's AI act which will be going into effect in two years allows the action to be taken against tech companies whose product has caused harm for individuals. In this article written by John Naughton at the Guardian; he explores the different treatment internet companies have received in law compared to other industries in the face of innovation, and the chilling effects these lax regulations have on our society. He also points out perspectives from big-name competition lawyers: Ariel Ezrachi and Maurice Stucke which were published in their new book, How Big Tech Barons Smash Innovation- And How To Strike Back. In which they demystify the narrative of silicon valley companies calling EU regulators antiquated and "killing innovation."

Read more about the bill [here](#). Read more about the legal news [here](#), on the Guardian page.

PODCASTS

The Law Pod UK

In the latest episode of the Law Pod UK, Lord Sumption speaks out about the risk that freedom of speech goes under through the enactment of the Online Safety Bill. This was after the death of teenager Molly Russell which it could have been linked to the overconsumption of unregulated social media content. Listen to it [here](#).

The Linkubator

Focusing on our theme of tech, data, and innovation, in this episode of the Linkubator, the founders of Juro and Nakhoda, legal processing software, and how they are utilised through analytics. This episode dives into the incorporation of algorithms in law and its differentiation from AI. It is definitely one worth listening to if you are interested in the field. Listen to it [here](#).



The Intelligent by The Economist

This podcast is a weekly update from the Economist on the current affairs in global politics, economics, and more. In this week's episode, the host discusses how Chinese media faces drastic adjustments after Xi Jinping's latest censorship rules come into play. Listen to it [here](#).

6 Simple steps to write your first summative essay

Research

Take a look and collect secondary sources you may want to include.

Read

Read through your list of secondary sources.

Structure

Make an outline of the points you are trying to argue.

Write

Write your paper including details of the arguments you plan to make and secondary sources.

Reference

Include references you mentioned in your essay.

Let it Sit

Give it a day or two after completion, and come back for a second edit.

