



PROFESSOR  
TANYA APLIN

DOOR TENANT

## Work Experience

- Professor of Intellectual Property Law King's College London – (2002- present)
- Fellow and Lecturer in Law, Robinson College, University of Cambridge (2000-2002)
- Senior Research Fellow, School of Law, Murdoch University, Western Australia (1997-1999)

## Occasional employment

- Visiting Lecturer at University of Lyon III (2024-)
- Global Distinguished Professor, Notre Dame Law School (2022- )
- Guest lecturer at Paris II, College de droit (2019 - 2023)
- Adjunct Professor, University of Notre Dame (July 2017)
- Senior Fellow, Melbourne Law School, Melbourne University (2013)
- Visiting Professor, WIPO/Turin (2012, 2013, 2015)
- Adjunct Professor, Loyola University (2009 - 2011)
- Adjunct Professor, Pepperdine University (2005 – 2011, 2013)
- Visiting Lecturer at IP Academy, Singapore and National University of Singapore (2006 - 2012)
- Lecturer on the International Intellectual Property Summer School (2002 - 2007)
- Lecturer on the University of Tulsa College of Law Autumn in London Program (2003 - 2005)
- Lecturer, London Law Consortium (2004 - 2005)
- Guest Lecturer at the Faculty of Law, University of Cambridge (2002 - 2003)



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- Affiliate Lecturer in Law at the Faculty of Law, University of Cambridge (2001 – 2002)

## Education and Training

- Doctor of Philosophy, University of Oxford, United Kingdom (2003)
- Bachelor of Civil Law, University of Oxford, United Kingdom (1998)
- Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Laws (First Class honours), Murdoch University, Western Australia (1995)

## Personal Skills

### Organisational / managerial skills

- Member of the College Fundraising Ethical Review Group (Oct 2024 - )
- Chair of the PGT Faculty Assessment Board (May 2024 - Jan 2025)
- Member of Law School Continuous Assessment Reading Group (2023-)
- Regularly involved in academic recruitment processes (such as Executive Dean and professorial appointments)
- REF Lead for REF2021; part of the Law REF Team for KCL in 2014; external REF assessor for other institutions (e.g. QMUL, UEA, City University of HK)
- Vice-Dean (Research) (July 2016 - May 2021; Jan 2025 - ) and member of the Law Executive Team (July 2016 – May 2021; Jan 2025- )
- Senior Member of College Academic Board (Oct 2013 – July 2016)
- School of Law Innovation Lead; Representative on the College Innovation Committee (Jan 2014 – Sept 2015)
- Member of the School Research Committee (Feb 2014 – May 2021); Chair of the School Research Committee (July 2016 – May 2021)
- Director of the Postgraduate Diploma/MA in UK, EU and US Copyright Law (2006 - 2025)
- Director of the LLM Intellectual Property and Information Law (2007 – 2019, 2023 - ); Co-Director (2019 - 2021)
- Member of Subject Area Board (Law) (2010 - 2016)

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- Chair of the Subject Area Board (Law) (2014 - 2016)
- Senior Member of College Academic Board (Oct 2013 - July 2016)
- School of Law Innovation Lead; Representative on the College Innovation Committee ( Jan 2014 – Sept 2015)
- Deputy Head of School (Education) (March 2011 – Dec 2012)
- Member of Senior Management Team (2008 - 2012)
- Head of Education (July – December 2008; January 2010 - March 2011)
- Head of Assessment (2007 - 2010)

These roles, particularly those associated with Research and Education, have involved strategic and operational aspects of research and education delivery within the Law School. This has necessitated working with colleagues – both junior and senior and in different parts of the university - in a constructive fashion to achieve key outcomes.

## Additional Information

### Honours and awards

- Visiting Fellow, University of New South Wales (Oct–Dec 2009; Feb-March 2013; August-Dec 2014)
- Distinguished Visiting Scholar at TC Beirne School of Law, University of Queensland (September 2009)
- Visiting Scholar at University of California Berkeley (March – August 2006)
- Door Tenant, Three New Square IP (Barristers Chambers) (2017- )
- Global Distinguished Professor, Notre Dame Law School (2022- 2025)
- Overseas Fellow of the Australian Academy of Law (2024- )

### Memberships

- Editorial Board of Modern Law Review (2015- ) –  
Acted as co-editor of the Legislation section and sat on the scholarship sub-committee for two years (2015, 2016);

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co-editor of Case note section for two years (2018; 2019);

- articles co-editor for three years (2021-2024)
- Editorial Board of Current Legal Problems (2013- )
- British Literary and Artistic Copyright Association (2005- )
- ATRIP (Current member)
- Member, All European Academies (ALLEA) Permanent Working Group on IPR (Jan 2024 – Jan 2025)
- Member of EPIP Committee (Sept 2023 - ); and Organizing Committee for EPIP 2024 Conference
- SLS Research Grants Committee (Oct 2022-Oct 2025) (Chair from September 2023)
- Society of Legal Scholars – Subject Co-Convenor for IP (2021-2023), including hosting an ECR workshop in 2023
- European Intellectual Property Teachers Network
- Editorial Board of the Media and Arts Law Review (2006-)
- Reviewer for the Irish Research Council (AHSS) (2018 - 2021)

## Projects

- Co-Investigator on the EPSRC Trusted Autonomous Systems Hub bid from 1/9/2020-31/8/2024.
- European Commission, European Innovation Council and SMEs Executive Agency, Radauer, A., Bader, M., Aplin, T., et al., *Study on the legal protection of trade secrets in the context of the data economy: final report*, Publications Office of the European Union, 2022, <https://data.europa.eu/doi/10.2826/021443> (153pp).
- UKRI Project on Open Access Policy for Monographs and Long-form submissions (2023).

## Publications

Selected relevant publications

## Books

- Series editor for Hart Series on Information Law and Regulation.
- T Aplin and L Bently, *Global Mandatory Fair Use: The Nature and Scope of the Right to Quote Copyright Works* (CUP, 2020).
- T Aplin (ed), *Research Handbook on IP and Digital Technologies* (Edward Elgar, 2020).

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- T Aplin, L Bently, P Johnson and S Malynicz, *Gurry on Breach of Confidence: The Protection of Confidential Information*, 976 pp., (OUP, 2012).
- W R Cornish, D Llewelyn and T Aplin, *Intellectual Property: Patents, Copyright, Trade Marks and Allied Rights* 10<sup>th</sup> ed (2023) (Responsible for chapters 8-15, 20 & 21, i.e. half of the text).
- T Aplin and J Davis, *Intellectual Property Law: Text, Cases and Materials* 4<sup>th</sup> ed (OUP, 2021)
- T Aplin, *Copyright law in the digital society: the challenges of multimedia*, (Hart, 2005).

## Chapters and articles

- T Aplin, 'The Data Act and Trade Secrets: An Experiment in Compulsory Licensing' in A. Sattler and H. Zech (eds) (2024), ch 6; <https://digitalrecht-z.uni-trier.de/index.php/drz/catalog/book/36>
- T Aplin, 'Intellectual Property Rights and the Internal Market' in T. Tridimas and R. Schutze, *Oxford Principles of EU Law: Volume II – the Internal Market* (OUP, forthcoming, 2025).
- T Aplin, A Radauer, M Bader & N Searle, 'The role of EU trade secrets law in the data economy: an empirical analysis' (2023) IIC - <https://doi.org/10.1007/s40319-023-01325-8>.
- L Bently and T Aplin, 'Patents and Trade Secrets' in N. Wilkof and I. Caboli (eds), *Overlapping Intellectual Property Rights* (OUP, 2023), ch 3,
- T Aplin and J Skillen 'Douglas v Hello!' in P. Coe and P. Wragg (eds), *Landmark Cases in Privacy Law* (Hart, 2023), ch 10, pp. 207-236.
- S Sandeen and T Aplin, 'Trade Secrecy, Factual Secrecy and the Hype Surrounding AI' in R. Abbott, *Research Handbook on Intellectual Property and Artificial Intelligence* (ed) (Edward Elgar, 2022), ch 24, pp. 442-459.
- T Aplin, 'The Limits of EU Trade Secret Protection' in Sandeen, Rademacher and Ohly (eds) *Research Handbook on Information Law and Governance* (Edward Elgar, 2021), ch 10, pp. 174-194
- T Aplin and L Bently, 'Displacing the Dominance of the Three-Step Test: The Role of Global, Mandatory Fair Use' in Wee Loon Ng, Haochen Sun, and Shyam Balganes

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(eds) *Comparative Aspects of Limitations and Exceptions in Copyright Law* (CUP, 2020) ch 3, pp. 37-58.

- S Ricketson and T Aplin, 'Copyright and Related Rights: WIPO's role in formulating international norms in this area' in S Ricketson (ed) *Book of Essays on the first 50 years WIPO* (Edward Elgar, 2020), ch 5, pp. 85-105.
- T Aplin and R Arnold, 'UK implementation of the Trade Secrets Directive' in Schvosbo, Minssen and Riis (eds), *The Harmonisation and Protection of Trade Secrets in the EU – An Appraisal of the EU Directive* (Edward Elgar, 2020), ch 5, pp 65-85.
- T Aplin and G Pasqualetto, 'Artificial Intelligence and Copyright Protection' in Ballardini, R.M., Kuoppamaki, P. and Pitkanen, O., *Regulating Industrial Internet Through IPR, Data Protection and Competition Law* (Kluwer, 2019), Ch 5.
- T Aplin, 'Coco v Clark' in J Bellido (ed) *Landmark Cases in Intellectual Property Law* (Hart, 2017), ch 10, pp. 253-288.
- T Aplin, 'Trading Data in the Digital Economy: Trade Secrets Perspective' in Staudenmayer (eds), *Trading Data in the Digital Economy: Legal Concepts and Tools* (2017, Gebunden, Nomos/Hart), pp. 59-74.
- T Aplin and J Bosland, 'The Uncertain Landscape of Article 8 of the ECHR: The Protection of Reputation as a Fundamental Human Right?' in A Kenyon (ed) *Comparative Defamation and Privacy Law* (CUP, 2016), ch 13, pp. 265-290.
- T Aplin, "Trade Secrets and Property" C Geiger (ed) *Research Handbook on Human Rights and Intellectual Property* (2015), ch 22, pp. 421-437.
- T Aplin, "Commercialising privacy and privatising the commercial: the difficulties arising from the protection of privacy via breach of confidence" in A Kur, N Lee, A Ohly and G Westkamp (eds), *Intellectual Property, Unfair Competition and Publicity – Convergence and Development* EIPIN Series Vol II (Edward Elgar, 2014), ch 8, pp.189-215.
- T Aplin, 'A critical evaluation of the proposed Trade Secrets Directive' (2014) *Intellectual Property Quarterly* pp. 257-279.
- T Aplin, 'Confidential information as property?' (2013) *King's Law Journal* pp. 172-201.

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- T Aplin, 'Reverse engineering and commercial secrets' (2013) *Current Legal Problems* pp. 1-37.
- T Aplin, 'A right of privacy for corporations?' in Torremans, P (ed), *Intellectual Property & Human Rights*, Kluwer, 2008, ISBN 9041126538, pp. 475-505.
- T Aplin, 'The future of breach of confidence and the protection of privacy' (2007) 7(2) *Oxford University Commonwealth Law Journal* pp. 137-173.
- T Aplin, 'Protecting privacy through the action for breach of confidence' (2007) 1 *Intellectual Property Quarterly* pp. 19-59.
- T Aplin, 'Commercial confidences after the Human Rights Act' (2007) 10 *European Intellectual Property Review* pp. 411-419.
- T Aplin, 'The relationship between breach of confidence and the "tort of misuse of private information"' (2007) 18(2) *King's Law Journal* pp. 329-336.

## Policy submissions

- T Aplin, L. Bently and E Hudson, 'Submission to Australian Government: Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Communications on the Discussion Paper – Exposure Draft Copyright Amendment (Access Reform) Bill 2021 (7 April 2022).
- T Aplin, B Schafer and P Li, 'Response to the UK IPO Open Consultation on AI and IP: Copyright and Patents' (March 2022).
- E Hudson, T Aplin and R Burrell, 'Submission to the IPO Consultation: Post-Implementation Review of 2014 Copyright Changes' (22 May 2019).

## Recent Conference & workshop presentations

- Speaker at Artificial intelligence, intellectual property and the creative industries, LSE, 4 March 2025.
- Singapore Recent Developments on Breach of Confidence and Trade Secrets, IPOS, Singapore, 20 Feb 2025.
- 'Compulsory licensing of trade secrets' at the Workshop on Trade Secrecy in Data and Data Infrastructure, NYU, 18 Oct 2024

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- Chair of the Roundtable - Blurred lines: data governance, data ownership and intellectual property rights, EPIP, Pisa 12 Sept 2024.
- 'Steering through technological & market disruption: the © perspective on GenAI' 5 June 2024. Sustainable Cultural Futures International Workshop on Digitalisation of Culture, King's College London.
- "Pastiche v Quotation: A Tale of Two Exceptions?" 9 May 2024, BLACA, London.
- Chair of IBIL Panel Event, 'Copyright and Generative AI: Putting input issues under the spotlight', 20 March 2024, UCL.
- Seminar for the Law & Tech Research Group at University of Nottingham (5 March 2024) on 'Levers for Transparency in IP Law'.
- Singapore Recent Developments on Breach of Confidence and Trade Secrets (Feb 2024)
- 'Trade Secrets and the Data Act' at Workshop on the Proposed Data Act, Berlin 22-23 June 2023.
- Co-chair for SLS Early Career Researchers in IP Workshop, London, 9 May 2023.
- 'Trade Secrets as a form of IP?', CIPIIL Annual Conference, Cambridge, 17 March 2023.
- Singapore Recent Developments on Breach of Confidence and Trade Secrets (Feb 2023).
- 'Global Mandatory Fair Use' at Rethinking Copyright Flexibilities Conference, Cyprus, 31 Oct & 1 Nov, 2022.
- 'Trade Secrets in the Data Economy', Seminar for OIPRC, St Peter's College, University of Oxford, 28 Oct 2022.
- 'The Origins of Intellectual Property as an Academic Subject: inaugural Cornish Intellectual Property Law Colloquium', 28 September 2022, LSE, London.
- 'Trade Secrets in the Data Economy' at EPIP Conference, September 16-18, 2022, Cambridge.
- 'IP and Transparency in an Algorithmic Society' at Symposium on 'The Role of Intellectual Property in times of Radical Change' Munich, 13-14 June 2022.
- Presentation at WIPO Symposium on Trade Secrets and Innovation, 23-24 May 2022 on the panel 'Trade Secrets and the Data Economy'.

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- Keynote lecture for CILIP Conference 18 May 2022, 'The quotation exception in educational and cultural heritage contexts'.

## **Selected experience in the field of education**

- I have twenty-five years' experience in teaching Intellectual Property Law, specifically, International & Comparative Copyright Law, Patents and Trade Secrets, and survey IP law modules at both undergraduate and postgraduate level. I have been nominated for Teaching Excellence Awards on multiple occasions.
- In addition, I have taught specialist modules on advanced topics in IP Law, on Copyright & the Music Industry and on AI, IP & Data Regulation.
- I also have several years' experience of teaching tort and contract law at undergraduate level.
- I have supervised numerous MA and LLM dissertations in Intellectual Property Law and externally examined many M St and M Res dissertations.
- I have supervised 11 Ph D students (8 first supervised, 3 second supervised) to completion in a range of Intellectual Property Law topics and been awarded two Supervisory Excellence Awards. I have examined 15 Ph D theses for a variety of UK and continental universities.

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