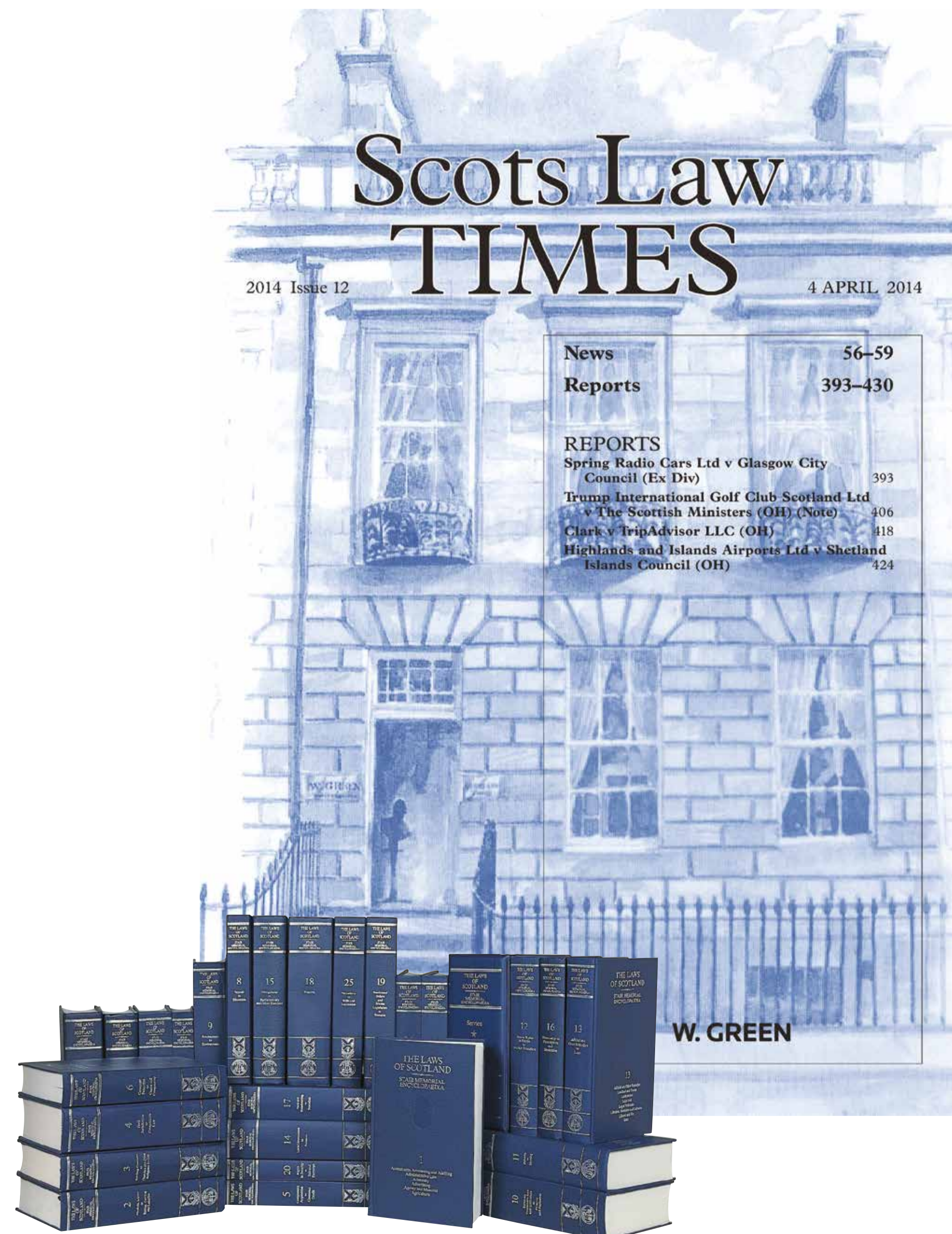


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Case reporting is of particular importance as a primary source of law and Green's has been publishing its flagship reporting and news journal *The Scots Law Times* since 1893. Green's is now part of global publisher Thomson Reuters but its origins can be traced back to its founding in Edinburgh's Old Town in 1875. It also publishes a large variety of standard legal reference works of which many are available online. The Scottish Council of Law Reporting publishes the authoritative Session Cases and the Law Society of Scotland publishes Scottish Criminal Case Reports and Scottish Civil Law Reports.

The Law Society of Scotland has played an important role in encouraging legal publishing and writing not least as co-publisher of the *Laws of Scotland: Stair Memorial Encyclopaedia* with Butterworths. The encyclopaedia covers all areas of Scots law. It was originally published in 25 volumes, and since it first appeared has been regularly updated. Individual titles are reissued as necessary and the whole work is available online. Its driving force was Sir Thomas Smith who was its first General Editor. Butterworths is now part of LexisNexis, the legal division of global publisher Reed Elsevier.

Others involved in legal publishing over the years include T&T Clark which published the *Scottish Law Directory 'The White Book'* (now published by LexisNexis), and the two most recent entrants: Avizandum and Bloomsbury Professional (which acquired Butterworths Scots law books and publishes for both the legal professional and student markets in a variety of formats).