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This monograph was previously the first chapter of *Electronic Signatures in Law* by Stephen Mason (LexisNexis Butterworths, 2003), followed by a second edition (Tottel, 2007), a third edition (Cambridge University Press, 2012) and the fourth edition published by the Institute of Advanced Legal Studies for the SAS Humanities Digital Library, School of Advanced Study, University of London in 2016.

The Institute of Advanced Legal Studies agreed the publication of an updated version of the first chapter as a monograph. The text is not comprehensive, although the case law has been thoroughly researched. It covers the following common law jurisdictions in detail: Australia, Canada, England and Wales, Hong Kong, Ireland, New Zealand, Scotland, Singapore, South Africa, and United States of America.

The purpose of discussing the case law before the widespread use of signatures in electronic form is to highlight the fact that judges have had to interpret the meaning of a signature in the light of the practical problems raised by litigants. For instance, judges have had to determine whether the use of initials constitutes a manuscript signature, or they have had to determine whether printing a name on an invoice is a signature. The past will help people understand that electronic signatures are merely another form of technology that requires interpretation in the legal context.

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