

tramlines: A package for tramlines

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1 Overview

Legal documents in the UK are generally headed with *inter alia* the title of the document outlined and separated by lines the length of the title. These lines are known by lawyers as ‘tramlines’. For example, one might see:

=====
Defendant’s Supplementary Bundle
=====

This package enables the easy use of tramlines with a single command, `\tramlines{}`. All the user needs to do is put the desired content in that command, which then produces tramlines with a nice double rule. For example, the command

```
1 \tramlines{Skeleton Argument on Behalf of the Respondent}
```

produces the following result:

=====
Skeleton Argument on Behalf of the Respondent
=====

2 Development

Bugs, feature requests, *etc*, should be submitted to the project’s official Github page: (github.com/ezgranet/tramlines).

3 Licence

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4 Implementation

```
2 \def\tramlinesversionnumber{1.1.1}
3 \ProvidesPackage{tramlines}
4 [2024/07/18\tramlinesversionnumber\
5   TramLines]
6   % This work may be distributed and/or modified under the
7   % conditions of the LaTeX Project Public License, either version 1.3c
8   % of this license or (at your option) any later version.
9   % The latest version of this license is in
10  %   http://www.latex-project.org/lppl.txt
11  % and version 1.3c or later is part of all distributions of LaTeX
12  % version 2005/12/01 or later.
13  %S
14  % This work has the LPPL maintenance status `maintained'.
15  %
16  % The Current Maintainer of this work is Elijah Z Granet
17  %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
18  %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
19  %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
20  %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
21  % DEPENDENCIES
22  %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
23  %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
24  \RequirePackage{booktabs}
25  %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
26  %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
27  %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
28  %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
29  % tramlines
30  %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
31  %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
32  \newcommand{\tramlinesep}{2pt}
33  \newcommand{\tramlines}[1]{\normalsize
34  \smallskip
35  \begin{center}
```

```

36 \begin{minipage}{\textwidth}
37 \centering
38 {%notglobal
39 \setlength\doublerulesep{\tramlinesep}% <-- set distance between double
   ↔ rule
40 \begin{tabular}[t]{c c c }
41 \toprule\toprule
42 & #1 & \\
43 \bottomrule\bottomrule
44 \end{tabular}}
45 \end{minipage}
46 \end{center}
47
48 \smallskip
49 }
50
51 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
52 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
53 % all done
54 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%

```

5 Version History

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18 July 2024: Change erroneous left alignment to centre alignment

1.1.0

29 October 2023: Updates to float composition and fixed bug with global commands. Thanks to GitHub user `niruvt'

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1.0.0

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