

## **Website Terms of Use**

### **PLEASE READ THESE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF USE CAREFULLY BEFORE USING THIS WEBSITE**

Welcome to the website of City of Sydney Law Society Inc (ABN 88 377 230 477) ("we", "us" or "CSLS").

The City of Sydney Law Society ("CSLS") is a regional society of the Law Society of New South Wales, the organisation representing solicitors in New South Wales, Australia. It is an incorporated society under the Incorporated Associations Act of New South Wales.

This website is located on the web via the domain [www.sydneycitylawyers.com.au](http://www.sydneycitylawyers.com.au) and includes all of the files located in that domain ("this site").

If you choose to continue to use our website then we will regard that use as conclusive evidence of your agreement and acceptance that these terms, and our Privacy Policy, governing CSL's relationship with you in relation to your use of this website.

### **Agreement to these Website Terms of Use**

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By accessing this site, you agree to be bound by these terms of use ("Website Terms of Use"). These Website Terms of Use constitute a binding agreement between you and CSLS and govern your use of this site.

### **Privacy Policy**

As part of these Website Terms of Use, your use of this site is also subject to our Privacy Policy (located at <https://sydneycitylawyers.com.au/privacypolicy>, which is incorporated by reference into these Website Terms of Use.

### **Legal capacity to transact**

If you are under 18 years of age, you cannot place orders through this site. By using this site you represent and warrant to CSLS that you are over the age of 18 years. Should CSLS suffer any damage or other losses as a result of a transaction entered into by a minor, we reserve the right to seek compensation for such losses from his/her parents or guardians.

### **Restrictions on use**

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#### **Prohibited conduct**

Your use of this site is subject to the rules set out in Schedule 1 following these terms below.

#### **Violations of these Website Terms of Use**

Without limiting any other remedies available to CSLS at law or in equity, CSLS reserves the right to, without notice:

- temporarily or indefinitely suspend, or terminate, your access to this site or refuse to provide services to you if:
  - you breach any provision of these Website Terms of Use;

- CSLS is unable to verify or authenticate any information that you provide to us; or
- CSLS believes that your actions may cause damage and/or legal liability to CSLS, any of its customers or suppliers or any other person; and
- remove or block access to any information and/or materials (in whole or in part) that CSLS, at its sole and absolute discretion, consider in any way to be objectionable or in violation of any applicable law, or of any person's intellectual property rights or these Website Terms of Use.

### **Indemnity**

You indemnify and hold harmless CSLS and its officers, employees, agents, consultants, licensors, partners and affiliates from and against any losses, liabilities, costs, expenses or damages (including actual, special, indirect and consequential losses or damages of every kind and nature, including all legal fees on a solicitor-client basis) suffered or incurred by any of them due to, arising out of, or in any way related to (directly or indirectly):

- any material or information that you submit, post, transmit or otherwise make available through this site;
- your use of, or connection to, this site; or
- your negligence or misconduct, breach of these Website Terms of Use or violation of any law or the rights of any person.

### **Registration and account security**

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#### **Requirement for registration**

CSLS reserves the right to make any parts of this site accessible only to users who have registered.

#### **Username and password**

Upon registration with this site, you will be issued with a username and password to access your account. You are responsible for maintaining the security of your password for this site. CSLS will not be liable for any loss or damage arising from or in connection with your failure to comply with this security obligation. You agree that CSLS will be entitled to assume that any person using this site with your username and password is you or your authorised representative.

It is your responsibility to notify CSLS immediately of any known or suspected unauthorised use of any password or any other breach of security.

#### **User information**

In order to register an account with this site, you must agree to these Website Terms of Use and provide CSLS with:

- a valid email address;
- accurate billing and contact information (including your street address and the name and telephone number of your authorised billing contact and administrator); and
- any other information that may be required by CSLS during the registration process.

It is your responsibility to maintain the accuracy of your account information at all times by promptly updating your account details and/ or informing the CSLS of any changes which require their input in maintaining currency. All such update details can be forwarded to the Executive Officer by email at [info@sydneycitylawyers.com.au](mailto:info@sydneycitylawyers.com.au)

You represent and warrant to CSLS that all information provided to CSLS by you, including the information provided by you through our account registration module or entered into your account profile, is true and not misleading and does not violate any applicable law or regulation or any person's intellectual property or other rights.

### **Multiple accounts and automated account opening**

One person may not maintain more than one account with this site. Accounts registered by "bots" or other automated methods are not permitted.

### **Approval of registrations**

CSLS reserves the right to accept or reject any application for registration of an account with this site at its discretion.

## **Orders**

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### **Order constitutes offer**

By placing an order through this site, you make an irrevocable offer to us to purchase your subscription, tickets to events hosted by the CSLS and other services selected by you pursuant to these Website Terms of Use. Information contained in this site constitutes an invitation to treat only. No information in this site constitutes an offer by us to supply any services to you.

We will not commence processing any order made through this site unless and until:

- payment for the order has been received by us in full; and
- the order has passed our internal validation procedure.

Once these steps are carried out your application will be eligible for approval by our Executive Officer on a case by case basis.

We reserve the right at our discretion to:

- at any time prior to your order being accepted in accordance with these Website Terms of Use, cancel all or part of your order; and
- at any time:
  - refuse to provide services to you;
  - terminate your access to this site; and/or
  - remove or edit any content on this site.

### **Acceptance of orders**

Acceptance of each order will take place if and when CSLS either:

- provides the services to you, at the time at which CSLS commences providing the services; or

- notifies you in writing that your order has been accepted, at the time at which such notification is sent by CSLS.

## **Prices**

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CSLS reserves the right to change the prices for services displayed in this site at any time before you place an order.

## **GST**

Unless otherwise expressly stated, all amounts payable through your use of this site are expressed to be inclusive of GST. For these purposes, the term "GST" has the meaning given to it in the *A New Tax System (Goods and Services Tax) Act 1999* (Cth).

## **Payment methods**

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Payment for orders placed through this site may be made by credit card processed online using the secure PayPal or credit card payment gateway.

### **PayPal secure payment gateway**

CSLS uses the third-party PayPal payment gateway provided by PayPal Australia Pty Limited (ABN 93 111 195 389) for its secure online payment transactions. Payments made through PayPal are subject to PayPal's own terms and conditions and privacy policy, links to which are provided from the PayPal checkout pages. For more information about PayPal, see the PayPal website (<http://www.paypal.com.au>).

Unless you expressly consent otherwise, we do not see or have access to any personal information that you may provide to PayPal, other than information that is required in order to process your order and deliver your purchased items to you (eg, your name, email address and billing address).

### **Credit and debit card payments**

It is not necessary to have a PayPal account in order to make a purchase on this site. PayPal accepts all major credit and debit cards. Please note that we may be unable to accept credit cards issued by banks outside of Australia in some cases. CSLS does not charge additional transaction fees for paying by credit card.

### **Refunds and other remedies**

Except as expressly provided otherwise in these Website Terms of Use, all amounts paid through this site are non-refundable. Further information on the steps that CSLS will take to remedy any breach of any non-excludable condition or warranty/guarantee is provided under the heading "Remedies limited" in these Website Terms of Use below.

### **Security**

While PayPal and our website hosting providers employ secure technology for transactions with our customers, we will not be responsible for any damages, including consequential losses (whether direct or indirect), that may be suffered by a member whose credit or debit card or bank account information is used in a fraudulent or unauthorised manner by any person other than CSLS.

CSLS may request further information from you, such as a copy of your credit card and/or other identification documentation, as part of our internal validation procedures. These

procedures help protect bank and credit card account holders from online fraud. Until your order has passed our internal fraud prevention checks, your order will remain on pending status. If further information is requested and you do not provide the requested information within such time as CSLS considers appropriate at its discretion, your order will be cancelled and, if your payment has been received, it will be refunded back to you.

## **Intellectual property**

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### **Copyright**

In these Website Terms of Use, the term "**Proprietary Content**" means:

- this site;
- all of its content (including all of the text, graphics, designs, software, data, sound and video files and other information contained in this site, and the selection and arrangement thereof); and
- all software, systems and other information owned or used by CSLS in connection with the services offered through this site (whether hosted on the same server as this site or otherwise).+rty of CSLS or its licensors (as applicable) and is protected by Australian and international copyright laws. You must not reproduce, transmit, republish or prepare derivative works from any of the Proprietary Content, except as expressly authorised by these Website Terms of Use or with the prior written consent of CSLS or other copyright owner (as applicable).

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### **Trademarks**

CSLS's logo **is a trademark** of CSLS. The look and feel of this site (including all button icons, scripts, custom graphics and headers) are the trademarks, service marks and/or trade dress of CSLS. These trademarks, service marks and trade dress may not be used, copied or imitated, in whole or in part, without the prior written consent of CSLS.

### **User Content**

In these Website Terms of Use, the term "**User Content**" means any and all content that is submitted, posted or otherwise added to this site by any user, such as comments, forum posts, chat room messages, reviews, ratings and feedback.

This site contains some features that enable you and other users to upload User Content. CSLS reserves the right to display, refuse to display, remove and/or amend all or any part of any User Content at its absolute discretion. In respect of any User Content that you upload, you:

- represent and warranty to CSLS that your sharing of that User Content does not infringe any copyright or other legal right of any other person; and
- grant to CSLS a worldwide, non-exclusive, royalty-free, perpetual, irrevocable, sub-licensable and transferable license to use, reproduce, distribute, modify, adapt, prepare derivative works of, publicly display, publicly perform and otherwise exploit all or any part of that User Content in any way at CSLS's absolute discretion.

## **Copyright claims**

If you believe that our site contains any material that infringes upon any copyright that you hold or control, or that users are directed through a link on this site to a third party website that you believe is infringing upon any copyright that you hold or control, you may send a notification of such alleged infringement to us in writing.

Such notification should identify the works that are allegedly being infringed upon and the allegedly infringing material and give particulars of the alleged infringement.

In response to such a notification, we will give a written notice of a claim of copyright infringement to the provider of the allegedly infringing material.

If the provider of that material does not respond to us in writing denying the alleged infringement within 14 days after receipt of that notice, we will remove or block the allegedly infringing material as soon as is reasonably practicable.

If the provider of that material responds to us in writing denying the alleged infringement, we will, as soon as is reasonably practicable, send a copy of that response to the original notifying party.

If the original notifying party does not, within a further 14 days, file an action seeking a court order against the provider of the allegedly infringing material, we may restore any removed or blocked material at our discretion.

If the original notifying party files such a legal action, we will remove or block the allegedly infringing material pending resolution of that legal action.

## **Disclaimer of warranties**

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- this site will meet your requirements or expectations;
- anything on this site, or on any third-party website referred or linked to in this site, is reliable, accurate, complete or up-to-date;
- the quality of any services, information or other material purchased or obtained through this site will meet any particular requirements or expectations;
- errors or defects will be corrected; or

- this site or the servers that make it available are free of viruses or other harmful components.

## **Limitation of liability**

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### **Exclusion of liability**

To the maximum extent permitted by law, CSLS and its officers, employees, agents, consultants, licensors, partners and affiliates exclude all liability to you or any other person for any loss, cost, expense, claim or damage (whether arising in contract, negligence, tort, equity, statute or otherwise, and for any loss, whether it be consequential, indirect, incidental, special, punitive, exemplary or otherwise, including any loss of profits, loss or corruption of data or loss of goodwill) arising directly or indirectly out of, or in connection with, these Website Terms of Use or the use of this site by you or any other person.

### **Remedies limited**

To the maximum extent permitted by law, CSLS and its officers, employees, agents, consultants, licensors, partners and affiliates expressly limit their liability for breach of any non-excludable condition or warranty/guarantee implied by virtue of any legislation to the following remedies (the choice of which is to be at CSLS's sole discretion):

- in the case of goods, to any of the following:
  - the replacement of the goods or the supply of equivalent goods;
  - the repair of the goods;
  - the payment of the cost of replacing the goods or of acquiring equivalent goods; or
  - the payment of the cost of having the goods repaired; and
- in the case of services:
  - the supply of the services again; or
  - the payment of the cost of having the services supplied again.

### **Release**

You agree that your use of this site is at your own discretion and risk. You agree to release CSLS and its officers, employees, agents, consultants, licensors, partners and affiliates from any claim, demand or cause of action that you may have against any of them arising from these Website Terms of Use or the use of this site by you or any other person. CSLS may plead this release as a bar and complete defence to any claims or proceedings.

### **Force majeure**

To the maximum extent permitted by law, and without limiting any other provision of these Website Terms of Use, CSLS excludes liability for any delay in performing any of its obligations under these Website Terms of Use where such delay is caused by circumstances beyond the reasonable control of CSLS, and CSLS shall be entitled to a reasonable extension of time for the performance of such obligations.

## **General**

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### **Interpretation**

In these Website Terms of Use, the following rules of interpretation apply:

- headings are for reference purposes only and in no way define, limit or describe the scope or extent of any provision in these Website Terms of Use;
- these Website Terms of Use may not be construed adversely against CSLS solely because CSLS prepared them;
- the singular includes the plural and vice-versa;
- a reference to a "person" includes an individual, a firm, a corporation, a body corporate, a partnership, an unincorporated body, an association, a government body or any other entity; and
- the meaning of general words is not limited by specific examples introduced by "including", "for example", "in particular" or similar expressions.

### **Notifications**

CSLS may provide any notification for the purposes of these Website Terms of Use by email and/or by any other electronic means.

### **Costs**

Except as specifically provided in these Website Terms of Use, each party must bear its own legal, accounting and other costs associated with these Website Terms of Use.

### **Assignment**

You may not assign, transfer or sub-contract any of your rights or obligations under these Website Terms of Use without CSLS's prior written consent. Your registration with this site is personal to you and may not be sold or otherwise transferred to any other person.

CSLS may assign, transfer or sub-contract any of its rights or obligations under these Website Terms of Use at any time without notice to you.

### **No waiver**

Waiver of any power or right under these Website Terms of Use must be in writing signed by the party entitled to the benefit of that power or right and is effective only to the extent set out in that written waiver. Any failure by CSLS to act with respect to a breach by you or others does not waive CSLS's right to act with respect to that breach or any subsequent or similar breaches.

### **Severability**

The provisions of these Website Terms of Use are severable and, if any provision of these Website Terms of Use is held to be illegal, invalid or unenforceable under present or future law, such provision may be removed and the remaining provisions shall be enforced.

### **Variation**

CSLS reserves the right to amend these Website Terms of Use and any other policy on this site at any time in its sole discretion and any such changes will, unless otherwise noted, be effective immediately. Your continued usage of this site will mean you accept those



amendments. We reserve the right, without notice and at our sole discretion, to change, suspend, discontinue or impose limits on any aspect or content of this site or the services offered through this site.

You may only vary or amend these Website Terms of Use by written agreement with CSLS.

**Governing law and jurisdiction**

These Website Terms of Use will be governed in all respects by the laws of New South Wales. The parties irrevocably submit to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of New South Wales and the courts of appeal from them.

## Schedule 1 - Prohibited conduct

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### YOU MUST NOT:

- use any device, routine or software that interferes, or attempt to interfere, with the proper working of this site;
- engage in any action that requires, or may require, an unreasonable or excessively large load on our infrastructure;
- use this site to decipher passwords or security encryption codes, transmit any worms, viruses or Trojan horses, transfer or store illegal, threatening or obscene material or otherwise violate the security of any computer network;
- use this site to violate any applicable local, state, national or international law, to engage in any misleading or deceptive online marketing practices or for any fraudulent or malicious purposes;
- use any spider, robot or search/retrieval application or any screen scraping, data mining or similar data gathering device, process, program or means to access, retrieve or index any portion of this site;
- use this site by any automated means;
- use this site to transmit junk mail, spam or chain letters or pyramid schemes or engage in other flooding techniques or mass distribution of unsolicited email;
- access, retrieve or index any portion of this site for use in constructing or populating any database that is searchable online or for the purpose of soliciting or sharing reviews;
- interfere with the display of any advertisements appearing on or in connection with this site;
- reverse engineer, decompile, disassemble, adapt, modify, translate, frame or reformat any of the material contained on this site;
- reproduce, duplicate, copy or store any of the material appearing on this site other than for your own personal and non-commercial use;
- falsely imply that any other website is associated with this site;
- do anything that leads, or may lead, to a decrease in the value of CSL's intellectual property rights in this site;
- use or exploit any of the material appearing on this site for, or in connection with, any business or enterprise (whether for profit or otherwise), including any business or enterprise that is in competition with this site;
- release to the public any news release, advertising material, promotional material or any other form of publicity or information relating to CSL without CSL's prior written consent; or
- use this site to transmit any information or material that is, or may reasonably be considered to be:

- abusive, threatening, harassing, harmful, obscene, indecent, lewd, inflammatory, violent, vulgar, profane, racially, ethnically or otherwise objectionable or offensive in any way;
- libellous, defamatory, pornographic, sexually explicit, unlawful or plagiarised;
- infringing upon or violating any copyright, trademark, patent or other intellectual property or proprietary right;
- in breach of any duty of confidentiality by which you are bound, whether by way of a fiduciary or contractual relationship;
- in breach of any person's privacy or publicity rights;
- a misrepresentation of facts, including the impersonation of any person or entity or a misrepresentation of an affiliation with any person or entity (including any sponsorship or endorsement);
- in violation of any applicable law, statute, ordinance or regulation, or encouraging of others to do so;
- containing any political campaigning material, advertisements or solicitations; or
- likely to bring CSLS or any of its staff into disrepute.