Business Law

Course Objectives

- The module is designed to enable the student to:
- Understand good practice of legal aspects of the system in relation to business.
- Prepare and implement the basis of contracts with suppliers and customers.
- Ensure the compliance necessary for a business to function legally.
- Advise directors, shareholders, owners and employees in respect of duties and responsibilities.

Syllabus Content

Introduction to Law
The Essence of Law
Law and Business
Laws of Singapore
Sources of Law in Singapore
Criminal and Civil Law
Methods of Resolving Civil Disputes
Methods of Enforcing Civil Judgements

Contract Law: Essentials of a Contract
Offer
Acceptance
Consideration
Intention to create legal relations
Writing
Variation of Contract
Parties to the Contract

Contract Law: Terms of a Contract
Express Terms
Implied Terms
Conditions, Warranties and Innominate Terms
Exemption Clauses
Contract Law: Factors Vitiating a Contract
Incapacity
Illegality
Contracts against Public Policy
Misrepresentation
Duress
Undue Influence
Mistake

Contract Law: Termination of a Contract
Damages
Agreement
Repudiatory or Fundamental Breach
Frustration

Contract Law: Remedies for Breach of Contract
Damages
Specific Performance
Injunctions
Limitation of Actions

Law of Sale of Goods Act
Scope of the Sale of Goods Act
Implied Term
Excluding Liability imposed by the Sale of Goods Act
Liability of the Manufacturer
Passing of Property
Risk
Delivery
Sale by Person who is not the owner
Seller and Buyer’s remedies
Fair Trading
International Sales

Employment Law
Meaning of the Term “Employee”
Duties of the Employee
Duties of the Employer
Termination of Contract of Employment
Trade unions and Industrial Relations
Law of Agency
The essence of Agency
Agent-Principal Relationship
Principal-Third Party Relationship
Agent-Third Party Relationship

Law Relating to Business Organisations
Sole Proprietorship
Partnership
Companies
Comparison between a Company and a Partnership
Joint Ventures
The Future

Company Law: Members, Directors and Others
Members
Company Secretary and Auditor
Directors

Law of Torts
Tort of Negligence
Tort of Passing Off
Tort of Vicarious Liability

Intellectual Property Law
Trade Marks
Patents
Registered Designs
Copyright

Credit and Security Law
Loans and Overdrafts
Mortgages or Charges over Land
Mortgages or Charges over Chattels
Company Charges
Security in respect of Choses in Action
Pledges
Liens
Guarantees
Hire Purchases

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