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By using this Website and any related Goods and Services, you are agreeing to all of the Terms of Use, current at the time of your use of the Website.

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2 Website

Access to the Website is permitted on a temporary and limited basis for the purpose of browsing the Website and interacting with Us. We reserve the right to withdraw or amend the Website and any Good or Services listed on the Website without notice. We will not be liable if for any reason this Website is unavailable at any time or for any period. From time to time, We may restrict access to some parts or all of this Website.

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4 Privacy policy

Our privacy policy, which sets out how we will use your information, can be found at www.southernsolicitors.org.au/privacypolicy. By using this Website, you consent to the processing described the privacy policy and warrant that all data provided by you is accurate.

5 Prohibitions

(a) Access to the Website is provided to you on the basis that you must not misuse this Website. Accordingly, you will not do any of the following:

- (i) commit or encourage a criminal offence;
- (ii) transmit or distribute a virus, trojan, worm, logic bomb or any other material which is malicious, technologically harmful, in breach of confidence or in any way offensive or obscene;
- (iii) hack into any aspect of the Website; corrupt data; cause annoyance to other users;
- (iv) maliciously interrupt the purchase of Goods and Services from the Website;
- (v) infringe upon the rights of any other person's proprietary rights;
- (vi) send any unsolicited advertising or promotional material (spam); or

(vii) attempt to affect the performance or functionality of any computer facilities of or accessed through this Website.

(b) You acknowledge that breaching this prohibitions clause would constitute a criminal offence and, if breached, the SSLA will report any such breach to the relevant law enforcement authorities and disclose your identity to them.

(c) The SSLA will not be liable for any loss or damage caused by a distributed denial-of-service attack, viruses or other technologically harmful material that may infect your computer equipment, computer programs, data or other proprietary material due to your use of this Website or to your downloading of any material posted on it, or on any Linked Sites.

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(b) To the fullest extent permitted by law, the SSLA hereby expressly excludes all warranties and other terms which might otherwise be implied by statute, common law or the law of equity and must not be liable for any damages whatsoever, including but without limitation to any direct, indirect, special, consequential, punitive or incidental damages, or damages for loss of use, profits, data or other intangibles, damage to goodwill or reputation, or the cost of procurement of substitute Goods and Services, arising out of or related to the use, inability to use, performance or failures of this Website or the Linked Sites and any materials posted on those sites, irrespective of whether such damages were foreseeable or arise in contract, tort, equity, restitution, by statute, at common law or otherwise.

(c) This disclaimer does not affect the SSLA's liability for death or personal injury arising from its negligence, fraudulent misrepresentation, misrepresentation as to a fundamental matter or any other liability which cannot be excluded or limited under the ACL or other law.

8 Linking to this Website

You may link to our home page, provided you do so in a way that is fair and legal and does not damage our reputation or take advantage of it, but you must not establish a link in such a way as to suggest any form of association, approval or endorsement on our part where none exists. You must not establish a link from any website that is not owned by you. This Website must not be framed on any other site, nor may you create a link to any part of this Website other than the home page. We reserve the right to withdraw linking permission without notice.

9 Disclaimer as to ownership of trademarks, images of personalities and third party copyright

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10 Indemnity

You agree to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the SSLA, its directors, officers, employees, consultants, agents, and affiliates, from any and all third party claims, liability, damages or costs (including, but not limited to, legal fees) arising from your use of this Website or your breach of the Terms of Use.

11 Variation

The SSLA must have the right in its absolute discretion at any time and without notice to amend, remove or vary the Goods and Services or any page of this Website.

12 Invalidity

If any part of the Terms of Use is unenforceable (including any provision in which we exclude our liability to you) the enforceability of any other part of the Terms of Use will not be affected and all other clauses remain in full force and effect. So far as possible where any clause/subclause or part of a clause/subclause can be severed to render the remaining part valid, the clause must be interpreted accordingly. Alternatively, you agree that the clause must be rectified and interpreted in such a way that closely resembles the original meaning of the clause/subclause as is permitted by law.

13 Complaints

We operate a complaints handling procedure which we will use to try to resolve disputes when they first arise, please let us know if you have any complaints or comments. Complaints should be sent to privacy@southern solicitors.org.au.

Dated: 29 March 2024