

WE PRIDE OURSELVES ON BEING  
THE MOST APPROACHABLE LAW FIRM  
IN THE BUSINESS.



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**OUR TEAM BOASTS OVER FIFTY LEGAL PROFESSIONALS, OPERATING IN DEDICATED GROUPS WITH EXPERTLY QUALIFIED STAFF IN SPECIFIC AREAS OF THE LAW.**

**WE OFFER UNPARALLELED EXPERTISE IN EVEN THE MOST SPECIALISED AREAS AND THE KIND OF LEGAL MUSCLE YOU CAN RELY ON.**

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### **MERGERS, MBO'S AND ACQUISITIONS**

Our experienced team will provide advice to both buyers and sellers on a range of transactions both local, national and international. We advise companies and shareholders on mergers and acquisitions, management buy-outs, assets and share sales and acquisitions among other things.

- Sales and purchases
- Acquisitions
- Mergers
- Joint ventures
- Management buy outs / buy ins

### **DISPUTE RESOLUTION AND LITIGATION**

Dispute resolution is the process of resolving disputes between partners or directors, customers or suppliers, a landlord or the authorities. Sometimes commercial disputes are unavoidable and they can result in the destruction of a business and relationships.

What's more, once caught up in an argument, it can be nigh on impossible to take an objective view, and that's where your solicitor comes in. With our specialised expertise conflicts can be managed and resolved and proactive dispute resolution

techniques can be used to deliver the desired commercial results.

- Disputes with suppliers / insurers / competitors
- Contractor / consumer disputes
- Building contractor disputes
- Actions against local / central government
- Professional negligence claims
- Property Disputes

### **COMMERCIAL PROPERTY**

Every business needs a place to live, and that place can be fundamental to the survival of the company it contains. You need long-term confidence that your premises will be suitable, affordable, accessible and available.

You need advice when negotiating purchase, leasing or lease renewal, and for that, you need Eatons a local team with specific expertise in commercial property law.

Services offered include:

- Commercial property conveyancing
- Landlord and tenant
- Option agreements
- Compulsory purchase
- Business leases
- Renewals
- Rent reviews and dilapidations

## COMPANY FRAMEWORK AND REGULATION

Legal frameworks support a business, anticipating and preparing for changes in that company and the people who run it. Eatons are expert in designing agreements and documents to protect you, your partners and your shareholders from any eventuality, and to lay down procedures to avoid the damage of possible disputes.

If you have concerns we'll be happy to review the legal 'health' of your business and suggest agreements to counter any potential weak spots.

## CONTRACTS AND AGREEMENTS

For those in business contracts are an important part of your life both when you start up your business and as it grows and develops.

At Eatons we have specialised experts in corporate and commercial law contracts and agreements who have the experience to understand your specific business needs and the skills to deal capably with any eventuality. Eatons legal professionals will ensure that any agreements or contracts you undertake are in your best interests, the interests of your business and are legally correct. This applies whether you are a sole trader, limited company, partnership or indeed any other type of firm.

Services offered include:

- Shareholders' agreements and disputes
- Partnership matters
- Terms of Business

## EMPLOYMENT AND PERSONNEL

Employment law is perhaps the single most vexing area for business today involving a constantly evolving mass of legislation. Race, sex and disability issues, together with parental and maternity rights and the removal of upper compensation limits for claims make employment law a minefield for all but the most experienced.

Our specialist team is always on top of this changing legal landscape, with advice immediately available through our employers helpline. We have the know how to keep you away from the pitfalls, and that's all you need to know.

Areas covered include:

- Contracts of employment
- Disciplinary / grievance
- Unfair dismissal
- Discrimination
- Maternity and parental rights
- Contentious & non contentious matters

## DEBT RECOVERY SERVICES AND CREDIT CONTROL

Bad debts and the resources spent trying to recover them can slow the pace of even the healthiest business. Our service is structured to match the individual needs of your business - from simply chasing late payers to legal proceedings & managing the legal process.

We have many long-term clients who have found it more cost effective to place their debt recovery operations with our specialists thereby allowing us to deal effectively and quickly with what can be a frustrating and time consuming process.



# BUSINESS LAW SERVICES

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