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## TERMS OF BUSINESS

### 1. Introduction

- 1.1. These Terms and Conditions of Business (“Terms of Business”), read together with the accompanying Client Care Letter (“CCL”) (collectively, the “Terms”), set out the basis upon which Lilac Law (“Lilac Law”) will provide its services to you, the Client as defined in the appropriate CCL. All work undertaken by Lilac Law is subject to the Terms, unless otherwise agreed in writing and signed by a Lilac Law Partner.
- 1.2. References in these Terms of Business to “we”, “us” or “our” are references to Lilac Law. References to “you” or “your” are references to the Client.
- 1.3. Any reference to “Partner” means a Partner, Member, Consultant or Employee with equivalent standing and qualifications in the company or one of its affiliates.
- 1.4. Lilac Law is a trading style of Bennett & Co who is authorised and regulated by the Solicitors Regulation Authority (SRA). The SRA Standards and Regulations can be found on their website at [www.sra.org.uk/solicitors/standards-regulations](http://www.sra.org.uk/solicitors/standards-regulations).

### 2. Our Contract

- 2.1. The Terms constitute the entire Agreement between Lilac Law and the Client and supersede any previous Agreement or understanding in relation to any work undertaken for the Client. No amendment or variation to the Terms shall be effective unless it is made in writing and signed by Lilac Law.
- 2.2. Where there is any inconsistency between the Terms of Business and the information set out in the CCL, the CCL shall take precedence.

### 3. Our Client

- 3.1. Lilac Law’s Client in relation to the Work it undertakes is the Client. Lilac Law is under no duty, nor does it accept any responsibility, to any party other than the Client, unless that other party is also a Client of Lilac Law, in relation to the work done.
- 3.2. The Client and Lilac Law agree that Lilac Law’s services are provided solely for the benefit of the Client and, for the purposes of the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act

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- 3.3. 1999, the Agreement under which Lilac Law provides its services to the Client is enforceable only by Lilac Law and the Client and not by any other party.
- 3.4. You instruct us separately in relation to each matter where we provide advice or services and therefore you do not engage us on a permanent basis.

#### **4. Communications with the Client**

- 4.1. Unless Lilac Law is expressly instructed to the contrary, Lilac Law shall be entitled to assume that:
  - 4.1.1. Whoever provides instructions to us has actual authority to do so. We may rely on any information given to us by that person. Where instructions have been provided on behalf of a body corporate or other organization or entity, we can assume that our Terms of Engagement have been properly authorized by the Board of Directors or other appropriate decision-making body of the organization or entity; and
- 4.2. Lilac Law may act upon such instructions whether given orally, in writing or by email or other form of electronic communication.
- 4.3. Where Lilac Law communicates with the Client by email or other electronic form of communication, the Client accepts the risks inherent in that form of communication, including but not limited to the risk of interception and unauthorized access. Lilac Law screens all incoming and outgoing email messages for known viruses, but the Client acknowledges and accepts that Lilac Law cannot guarantee that its emails will be virus free. Lilac Law do not accept any liability for loss resulting from the use of email for communication between us or between Lilac Law and third parties.
- 4.4. Our advice will be based on our interpretation of the law at the time the advice is provided. Unless specifically agreed otherwise we are not obliged to update our advice in respect of any subsequent changes in the law.

#### **5. Service Standards and Your Right to Complain**

- 5.1. Lilac Law is committed to providing all its' Clients with the highest possible levels of service and the best possible legal and commercial advice; however, Lilac Law recognises that things can sometimes go wrong.
- 5.2. You will have a Conveyancer who will be responsible for liaising with you on all the matters we undertake for you.
- 5.3. In the event that the Client has any concern with the service the Client has received from Lilac Law, the Client should raise its concern with the Conveyancer carrying out

- 5.4. the Work, who will do their best to resolve the Client's concerns. If, however, the Client is not satisfied by the action taken or does not feel it can raise the concern with the Partner supervising the Work, the Client should ask to have its concerns reviewed by Lisa Neary, Lilac Law's Designated Complaints Handler, who will provide the Client with full written details of Lilac Law's complaints procedure and will thoroughly investigate the Client's concerns.
- 5.5. If you are not satisfied with our response the Legal Ombudsman may be able to consider your complaint. There are, however, restrictions to this service for organisations, as set out on their website (see below). The contact details for the Legal Ombudsman are:

Legal Ombudsman  
PO Box 6167  
Slough  
SL1 0EH  
Telephone: 0300 555 0333  
E-mail: [enquiries@legalombudsman.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@legalombudsman.org.uk)  
Website: [www.legalombudsman.org.uk](http://www.legalombudsman.org.uk)  
Minicom: 0300 555 1777 3

- 5.6. You should bring any complaint to the Legal Ombudsman within six months of the end of our complaints process. In addition, you should be aware that the Legal Ombudsman will not accept your complaint if:
- 5.6.1. more than one year has elapsed from the date of the act or omission giving rise to the complaint; or
  - 5.6.2. more than one year has elapsed from the time when you should have known about the complaint.
- 5.7. You may also be able to object to our bill by applying to the Court for an assessment under Part III of the Solicitors Act 1974. If you exercise this right, you could be prevented from making a complaint to the Legal Ombudsman. In addition, if you apply to the Court for an assessment and all or part of the bill remains unpaid at the end of that assessment, we are entitled to charge interest. There are strict time limits that apply to this process, and you may wish to seek independent legal advice.
- 5.8. The Partners of the firm may be Solicitors, Barristers, Fellows of the Chartered Institute of Legal Executives, Licensed Conveyancers or Consultants who have met the entry requirements of their relevant professional body and who are authorised by us to advise our clients. All those in the firm are bound by professional rules of conduct which can be accessed via [www.sra.org.uk/solicitors/standards-regulations](http://www.sra.org.uk/solicitors/standards-regulations)

## **6. Our Fees and Disbursements**

### **6.1. Lilac Law's Fees:**

- 6.1.1. Save as set out below for new Clients we will apply a fee of £60.00 plus VAT in respect of various administrative functions and identity searches that we are required to undertake ("ID/AML Admin Fee"). We will also charge the AML Admin Fee should you instruct us on a further matter more than one year after these searches have been performed, or such revised fee as shall be charged for such administrative functions and identity searches at that time. For non-UK Clients additional fees will be applicable.
- 6.1.2. We will not charge a AML Admin Fee at all where a Client is (i) FCA registered (ii) a listed plc (iii) a UK law firm (or law firm based in another jurisdiction provided we can fully search the appropriate regulatory register) or (iv) where we in our sole discretion waive the File Opening Fee.
- 6.1.3. The scope of the work to be undertaken by Lilac Law (the "Work"), and Lilac Law's fees for the Work (or the method by which those fees are to be calculated) is set out in the CCL. The Work may be extended or varied in accordance with any subsequent instructions agreed with the Client.
- 6.1.4. Rates for additional services are set out in our client care letter. These will be chargeable as appropriate when necessary for the provision of work done on your behalf.
- 6.1.5. Lilac Law is required to comply with various statutory and regulatory requirements (such as the Money Laundering Regulations) in relation to its Retainer with the Client. The work done, and any other actions that Lilac Law may be required to take, in order to comply with those requirements, form part of the Work and Lilac Law may include the cost of any such work (together with VAT) as applicable in the fees payable by the Client.

### **6.2. Disbursements**

- 6.2.1. In addition to its fees, Lilac Law may also incur disbursements (including VAT, where applicable) in relation to the Work, and the basis on which they are charged are set out in the CCL. These may be incurred during a matter without your prior approval.

### **6.3. Payment of Costs and Disbursements**

- 6.3.1. The Client is responsible for payment of Lilac Law's fees, disbursements, and VAT (where applicable). Lilac Law's invoices will always be addressed to the

6.3.2. Client and are payable by the Client in accordance with the terms of payment as set out in the Terms.

6.3.3. The Client may agree with a third party that that third party will pay Lilac Law's fees and disbursements on behalf of the Client. Lilac Law will not, however, be a party to that agreement and will expect the Client to make payment of Lilac Law's invoices if the third party fails for any reason to make payment within the time set out in the Terms.

#### **6.4. VAT**

6.4.1. Unless otherwise expressly stated, the fees set out in the CCL are exclusive of VAT and are subject, where applicable, to VAT at the prevailing rate.

### **7. Invoicing and Payment**

7.1. Lilac Law may issue monthly invoices to the Client for the Work undertaken to date, any disbursements incurred and any applicable VAT.

7.2. Lilac Law's invoices are payable on presentation to the Client. If payment of an invoice is not made in full within 14 days of presentation, Lilac Law reserves the right to charge interest at 4% over the base rate for the time any balance is outstanding from the date of presentation of the invoice until payment.

7.3. If a bill is overdue for payment, we may on reasonable written notice suspend or terminate the provision of any services to you (and others with whom you are associated) and retain any documents, papers and other materials belonging to you and others with whom you are associated.

7.4. Unless otherwise previously agreed in writing, Lilac Law shall be entitled to payment of its fees, disbursements, and VAT regardless of whether a particular matter has been successfully concluded or completed.

7.5. When we are instructed on a matter by or on behalf of more than one person or company, each person or company for whom we act will be jointly and severally liable for payment of the full amount of our fees, disbursements, and VAT.

7.6. If our bills are not payable by you as our Client but by a third party, you will still be liable for any VAT in respect of our charges. We are only able to issue VAT invoices to you and not to a third party.

- 7.7. If our services are subject to VAT, you must indemnify us fully on demand for any interest, penalties or legal costs which we incur as a result of any incorrect information in relation to your VAT status, which you have provided.
- 7.8. You acknowledge that emails and attachments may not be secure and that there is a risk of third-party interference with communications including the details of invoices. For this reason, we will never notify you of changes to our bank details via email. If you receive an email that appears to come from us, providing different bank details to the ones we supplied at the outset of the matter or indicating a change in our bank details, you must telephone the person dealing with your matter immediately. Please do not reply to the email or act on any information contained in it. We will not accept responsibility if you transfer money into an incorrect account. Where we send invoices or other requests for payment electronically, you will, before making any payment in respect of that invoice or request, first contact us by telephone to confirm our banks details. It is your responsibility to ensure that any payments the Client makes are sent to the correct account as payment to any other account will not be accepted as settlement of or payment towards the debt.

## **8. Client Account and Interest**

- 8.1. Any money that Lilac Law holds on behalf of the Client will be deposited in a designated Client bank account. Lilac Law will not be responsible for any mistake or failure by the bank.
- 8.2. Unless the money that Lilac Law holds is for a specific purpose, Lilac Law may apply any money held on the Client's behalf towards the discharge of Lilac Law's invoices.
- 8.3. Where Lilac Law holds monies on account of costs in its Client account for a period longer than 14 business days, it will ensure that a fair and reasonable sum in lieu of interest is paid to the Client in respect of the period for which Client money is held after the first 14 business days calculated at a rate of anywhere between 0.5% - 1%. No interest is payable if the amount calculated on the balance held is £100.00 or less.

## **9. No Cash Accepted**

- 9.1. The Lilac Law policy is not to accept any cash from the Client either in payment of an invoice or as a source of funds

## **10. Termination/Suspension of Instructions (The Work)**

- 10.1 The Client may terminate the Work at any time by giving written notice to Lilac Law.
- 10.2 Lilac Law may in its absolute discretion suspend or terminate the Work forthwith if:

- 10.1.1. the Client fails to make a payment on account of fees and/or disbursements and/or VAT;
- 10.1.2. the Client fails to pay any invoice within thirty days of its presentation to the Client;
- 10.1.3. the Client persistently fails to pay invoices in accordance with the terms agreed in the Terms;
- 10.1.4. the Client persistently fails to provide Lilac Law with instructions in relation to the Work;
- 10.1.5. the Client's instructions may result in Lilac Law being required to act in a manner that is unlawful and/or may contravene applicable legislative or regulatory requirements and/or may otherwise give rise to unacceptable professional risk to Lilac Law or breach of our duty under the Solicitors Regulation Authority Code of Conduct;
- 10.1.6. the Proceeds of Crime Act 2002, The Money Laundering Regulations 2017, or any legislation of like or similar effect prohibits Lilac Law from continuing to act for the Client; or
- 10.1.7. the relationship between Lilac Law and the Client has otherwise irretrievably broken down.

10.3. In the event that the Client or Lilac Law suspends or terminates the Work, Lilac Law shall be entitled to invoice the Client for our fees in respect of the Work done, disbursements incurred and any applicable VAT to the point that the Work was suspended or terminated, and in respect of any work (such as applications to remove Lilac Law from the Court Register as acting for the Client) that may reasonably be necessary following such suspension or termination. Any invoice raised by Lilac Law as a result of work being suspended or terminated shall be payable immediately upon presentation to the Client.

## **11. Liability**

11.1. Unless otherwise agreed in writing, the aggregate liability shall not exceed £3,000,000 or the minimum required by law, whichever is the greater:

11.1.1. whether to you or any third party;

11.1.2. on the part of Lilac Law or its Partners, Employees or Consultants together, for any losses incurred by you as a result of or in connection with any breach of contract, breach of trust, breach of fiduciary duty or tort (including negligence) or other civil liability.

- 11.2. Lilac Law's fees chargeable to the Client in respect of the Work have been calculated by reference to:
- 11.2.1. the risk to Lilac Law associated with the Work;
  - 11.2.2. the general provision of the Terms;
  - 11.2.3. the level of indemnity insurance carried by Lilac Law.
- 11.3. If the Client wishes Lilac Law to accept a greater risk and/or increased limit of liability, Lilac Law may be prepared to do so although Lilac Law may, in these circumstances, include a surcharge referable to the additional risk accepted by Lilac Law and/or the cost to Lilac Law of any additional insurance cover that may be required.
- 11.4. Lilac Law shall not in any circumstances be liable to the Client for any loss of profit or any other consequential or indirect loss (howsoever arising). Our liability to you in connection with this matter is limited to the proportion of loss or damage (including interest and costs) suffered by you, which is just and equitable, having regard to the extent of your own responsibility and the contribution of any other person to the loss or damage regardless of any contractual or other limitation of their liability and/or their ability to pay and/or limitation defences available to them.
- 11.5. The Client agrees that the liability of Lilac Law, its Partners, Employees, Subcontractors and Consultants shall not be increased by any limitation, exclusion, or restriction of liability that the Client may have agreed with any other advisor, by the Client's inability to recover against any of its advisors, or by the Client's decision not to recover from any of its advisors. The Client agrees that it will inform Lilac Law if the Client agrees, or is asked to agree, to limit the liability of any of the Client's other advisors in relation to the Work.
- 11.6. If goods and/or services are supplied or provided by any third party ("Third Party") in connection with the Work, and regardless of whether Lilac Law has recommended the Third Party to the Client and/or has engaged the Third Party on the Client's behalf, Lilac Law do not accept any responsibility for the performance, acts or omissions of the Third Party nor do Lilac Law give any warranty, guarantee or other representation as to the suitability or quality of the Client the benefit of any warranty, guarantee or representation given by the Third Party. Where Lilac Law instructs a Third Party on your behalf, you will be their client and you will be responsible for payment of their fees and expenses. If we pay their fees or expenses, we will invoice you for them and payment will be due in accordance with section 6.



- 11.7. We can only limit our liability to the extent the law allows. We cannot limit our liability for death or personal injury caused by our negligence
- 11.8. Lilac Law (rather than its Members, Employees, and Consultants as individuals) will provide advice and services to you, and Lilac Law alone will be responsible for the performance of the agreement between Lilac Law and the Client. You agree that you will not bring any claim for any losses incurred by you because of or in connection with any breach of contract, breach of trust, breach of fiduciary duty or tort (including negligence) or other civil liability in connection with any advice and/or services provided to you against any Member, Employee or Consultant of Lilac Law itself for the acts or omissions of its Members, Employees or Consultants.
- 11.9. All work done and advice provided by us is for your use benefit only and may not be passed on to any other person without our prior written approval, and subject to such conditions as we may impose at the time.
- 11.10. We shall have no liability for any loss or damage suffered by you because of our inability to comply with your instructions to transfer monies because of bank insolvency or other inability or mistake of a bank to pay.
- 11.11. Pursuant to various statutes, regulations, or Court Orders, we may, exceptionally, have obligations that lead us to disclosing details of your affairs to the relevant authorities. We will not always be permitted to inform you that this has occurred. In some cases, compliance with these obligations may cause delay in carrying out your instructions or proceeding with the matter and provided we have acted in good faith, we shall have no liability to you for the consequences of such delay.

## **12. Tax and Investment Matters**

- 12.1. There may be aspects of the Work where the Client requires tax advice. Unless expressly stated to the contrary, these are not matters upon which Lilac Law will advise the Client as the Client is expected to have its own tax advisors.
- 12.2. We are not authorized by the Financial Conduct Authority. If, while we are acting for you, you need advice on investments, we may have to refer you to someone who is authorised to provide the necessary advice. However, we may provide certain limited investment advice services where these are closely linked to the legal work, we are doing for you. This is because we are members of the Law Society of England and Wales, which is a designated professional body for the purposes of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000. The Solicitors Regulation Authority is the independent regulatory arm of the Law Society. The Legal Ombudsman deals with complaints against lawyers. If you are unhappy with any investment advice you receive from us, you should raise your concerns with either of those bodies.

### **13. Disclosure, Storage and Retrieval of Documents**

- 13.1. After completing the Work, or following the termination or suspension of the Work, Lilac Law is entitled to keep all the Client's papers and documents while there is money owed to Lilac Law for its fees and disbursements and any applicable VAT (whether in respect of the Work or otherwise).
- 13.2. Lilac Law will retain its electronic file of working papers (the "File") for 6 years from the end of the matter
- 13.3. Lilac Law will not normally charge for retrieving papers or documents from storage that are in relation to continuing or new instructions. Lilac Law may, however, charge the Client for time spent producing papers or documents to the Client (or a third party at the Client's request), or for other related work (including work done reading and responding to correspondence).
- 13.4. Please be aware that if a matter on which we act for you is the subject of contested Proceedings/litigation, you are very likely to have to disclose to your opponent and the Court documents including electronic documents (e.g. emails) relevant to the matter. Please make sure that you do not destroy any documents that relate to the matter in any way as your position in Proceedings may be seriously damaged if you do.

### **14. Intellectual Property Rights**

- 14.1. All copyright and other intellectual property rights in all documents, reports, written advices, or other materials of whatever nature provided by Lilac Law to the Client (collectively, the "Work Product") remain vested in Lilac Law.
- 14.2. The Client has the full right and licence to distribute copies of the Work Product within its own organization in relation solely to the Work. If the Client wishes to distribute copies of the Work Product within its own organization for other purposes and/or to third parties outside its own organization (for any purpose), it will require Lilac Law's prior written permission to do so.
- 14.3. The Client may be required to provide documents, materials and/or other property (collectively, the "Materials") to Lilac Law for the purposes of the Work. Subject to the provisions of this section 14 any rights that the Client may have in the Materials shall not be affected by the provision of the Materials to Lilac Law and, subject to Lilac Law's right to exercise a lien over the Materials in respect of any sums owing by the Client to Lilac Law (whether in respect of the Work or otherwise), Lilac Law will at the Client's request return the Materials to the Client when the Work to which the Materials relate has been completed.
- 14.4. As part of the Work Lilac Law may (in its absolute discretion) copy all or any part of the Materials and/or incorporate all or any part of the Materials into the Work Product and

14.5. make such use of the Work Product incorporating the Materials as Lilac Law may (in its absolute discretion) deem appropriate. If Lilac Law does so the Client will:

14.5.1. be deemed to have granted without charge to Lilac Law a permanent irrevocable royalty free licence for Lilac Law to use such rights that the Client may have in the Materials as are required by Lilac Law to copy and/or incorporate and/or use the Materials and/or Work Product in the manner aforesaid; and

14.5.2. at the Client's own expense obtain all third party licences and/or consents as may be required to enable Lilac Law to copy and/or incorporate and/or use the Materials and/or Work Product in the manner aforesaid and the Client shall fully and effectively indemnify and hold Lilac Law harmless in respect of any claims made by any third party that the use made by Lilac Law of the Materials and/or Work Product contravenes any of such third party's rights in the Materials.

## **15. Data Protection**

15.1 In this clause the following defined terms have the meanings set out below:

15.1.1 Data Protection Law: (i) the UK General Data Protection Regulation (the UK GDPR) and the Data Protection Act 2018 (the Data Protection Act). (ii) any successor legislation to the UK GDPR or the Data Protection Act 2018.

15.1.2 Personal Data; Process; Processing; Data Controller; Data Processor and Data Subject; Sub processor Shall have the meanings as described to those definitions in Data Protection Law.

15.2 Fair collection notice for Client data.

15.2.1 All information that we hold concerning individual Clients will be held and processed by us strictly in accordance with Data Protection Law and in accordance with The SRA Principles and the SRA Codes of Conduct for Solicitors and for Law Firms. If any breach of data protection occurs, Lilac Law will act in accordance with Data Protection Law and the SRA Codes of Conduct. Your information, including any Personal Data, will be used by us to provide you with the services set out in our CCL or otherwise as you have requested. It may also be used, unless you provide Lilac Law with written instructions to the contrary, to give you information about our other services and events, which we think may be of interest to you.

15.2.2 We need to process personal data in order to complete our contractual and legal obligations. We process Personal Data in line with our Privacy Notice (copy can be provided upon request). If you have any questions or wish to assert your rights, please contact our Data Protection Manager.

## **16. Money Laundering Regulation**

- 16.1. The law requires Solicitors to get satisfactory evidence of the identity of their Clients and sometimes people related to them. This is because Solicitors who deal with money and property on behalf of their Client can be used by criminals wanting to launder money. To comply with the law, we need to get evidence of your identity as soon as possible.
- 16.2. We are professionally and legally obliged to keep your affairs confidential. However, Solicitors may be required by statute to make a disclosure to the National Crime Agency where they know or suspect that a transaction may involve money laundering or terrorist financing. If we make a disclosure in relation to your matter, we may not be able to tell you that a disclosure has been made. We may have to stop working on your matter for a period and may not be able to tell you why.
- 16.3. We may be required to undertake source of funds checks in line with our obligations. On request you must provide satisfactory evidence of source of funds and/or source of wealth. This may include the provision of documentary evidence.

## **17. Confidentiality and Legal Privilege**

- 17.1. Any information that the Client provides to Lilac Law which Lilac Law receives in relation to the Work from third parties during the course of its retainer for the Client (other than information that is already in the public domain) is confidential and shall not (other than as is required by Lilac Law's compliance with the Law) be disclosed to third parties without the Client's consent, subject to any exceptions within these Terms of Business.
- 17.2. Any advice that Lilac Law gives to the Client in relation to the Client's legal rights and obligations is subject to legal privilege, which means that the advice is confidential and cannot be required to be disclosed to third parties. Lilac Law will not (other than as is required by Lilac Law's compliance with the Law) disclose any privileged information to third parties without the Client's prior consent, subject to any exceptions within these Terms of Business.
- 17.3. Any commercially sensitive or privileged information may be disclosed to another person in certain circumstances, including but not limited to: (a) with your consent; (b) to your other professional advisers; (c) where disclosure is required by law, court order or any regulatory authority; (d) to the extent that such information enters, or has entered, the public domain, or (e) to our auditors or other professional advisers in connection with the performance of their duties.

17.4. We may use external agencies for typing, photocopying, printing and preparation of due diligence and you agree that we may disclose information to third parties for that

17.5. purpose. There may be occasions where outsourcing of other activities is desirable. We will advise you before outsourcing other activities.

17.6. For the purposes of this section 17 the term Lilac Law shall include, without limitation, Lilac Law's Members, Employees and Consultants, and such individuals shall not be deemed to be a third party.

## **18. Applicable Law and Jurisdiction**

18.1. Lilac Law's Agreement with the Client is deemed to have been negotiated and made in England and Wales and is in all respects governed by and shall be construed in accordance with the law of England and Wales. Any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with Lilac Law's Contract with the Client shall also be governed by and shall be construed in accordance with English & Welsh Law. The English & Welsh Courts shall have exclusive jurisdiction over any dispute between Lilac Law and the Client.

## **19. Insurance**

19.1. In accordance with the disclosure requirements of The Provision of Services Regulations 2009, our professional indemnity insurers are Travelers Insurance Company Limited. The territorial coverage of our policy is worldwide.

## **20. Equality and Diversity**

20.1. To promote equality and diversity in the way we operate our business and in our dealings with third parties and employees a copy of our diversity policy is available on request.

## **21. Retention and Escrow Accounts**

21.1. Lilac Law does not provide access to retention and/or escrow accounts. Lilac Law outsources the set up and ongoing maintenance of retention/escrow accounts to a third party should they be required by the Client. The outsourced third party will contract with the Client direct and will invoice the Client direct for this service (these fees are in addition to any Lilac Law fees). Lilac Law shall not be responsible for and takes no liability for the set up and/or ongoing maintenance of any such retention/escrow accounts.

## **22. Consumer Contracts Regulations 2013**

22.1. If you are a private Client and we have met with you but not at our offices, or you have instructed us remotely i.e., by telephone, letter or email, the Consumer Contracts (Information, Cancellation and Additional Charges) Regulations 2013 apply to your matter. If applicable, this means that you have the right to cancel your instructions to us within 14 days of entering into the contract. The enclosed Notice of Right to cancel provides further information. To exercise the right to cancel, you must inform us by email, fax or post. We cannot commence work within the cancellation period without your express request to do so, by completing and returning the enclosed form of authority to commence work. If you sign and return the form you will still have the right to cancel the contract within 14 days, but you will be required to pay a reasonable amount for the Work done up to the point at which you notify us of the cancellation.