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A new year has the ability to usher in new vision, fresh changes, renewed hope.

For us at C&L, we have hit the ground running. There is a positive buzz in our office, as we welcome new staff and not-so-new faces. Our prayer is 2023 be the year of fresh vista. Keeping our core central in serving our clients with care, attention and integrity. Nurturing our people to make positive contribution in their sphere of influence and expanding our generosity in the missions we support.

Blessings,

The Corney & Lind Team

Articles



ACNC Charities PT I: Charities Status, Registration & The ACNC What's The Point?

Humanity's intrinsic sense of benevolence is often the primary motivator that inspires people to donate to, or even start up, Charities and Not-for-Profit organisations ('NFPs'). There are many structuring options for entities seeking to provide benefit to the public

[Read here.](#)

ACNC Charities PT II: Deductible Gift Recipient Status – What is it?

The Not-for-profit and charity legal landscape has many associated buzzwords; one of the most prevalent phrases being "DGR status". DGR status is a concept that is particularly attractive to charities that rely solely or partly on donations from organisations or members of the public to fund its operations, but not every charity is eligible to obtain DGR status.



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ACNC Charities PT III: Public Benevolent Institution

A Public Benevolent Institution is one of the 14 subtypes of charities recognized by the ACNC under section 25-5 of the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission Act 2012 (Cth) as being eligible for registration as a charity.

[Read here.](#)



Can I review an NDIA (National Disability Insurance Agency) Decision?

A decision has been made by the NDIA that I don't agree with. As a NDIS provider or participant what can I do?

Section 99 of the National Disability Insurance Scheme Act 2013 (Cth) (the "Act") outlines what are "reviewable decisions", being decisions that can be reviewed by the NDIA. Some common examples of reviewable decisions include (list not exhaustive).

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Upcoming Webinars

1. ACC: One Body - Many Parts:

Date: 8 March 2023 12:30pm (Brisbane local time)

This webinar will discuss:

- Rights of members: in unincorporated associations, incorporated associations, and companies
- Church councils: their role, and should you have one? So, the pastor wants to sack the elders: the role of members in governance disputes
- Selling the AGM: accountability when nobody wants to come
- Members vs congregants: who should we tell what?
- Membership responsibilities: it's not just about rights
- Amputation: what can I do about a problematic member?

This webinar will be presented by: [Rachel Sloper](#), Senior Associate

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2. ACS: Just Redemptive Mediations

Date: 29 March 2023 5:30pm (Brisbane local time)

This webinar will discuss:

- Corney & Lind's new service offering - Just Redemptive Mediations
- Restorative mediation model
- Focus on resolving conflict but also facilitating improved dialogue, accountability, compassion, reconciliation and reintegration in our workplaces, schools, councils and boards
- Practical real-life examples
- How to access our services

Presented by: [Fran Keyes](#), Practice Leader

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3. ACC: Things To Consider Under Church Mergers

Date: 18 July 2023 - 12.30pm -1.30pm (Brisbane local time)

This webinar will discuss:

- What are the various contexts that merger opportunity arises?
- Mission objectives – identifiable v mission drift.
- Type of merger – Picking and understanding your structure
- Specific issues that need addressing:
 - Church culture
 - Governance leadership
 - Staffing
 - Legal
 - Property Ownership and Trust obligations

Presented by: [Paul Neville](#), Senior Associate

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