OUTLINE PROGRAMME

An Introduction to Employment Law

1. Recruitment and Selection

- a. Discrimination
- b. Making an offer of employment
- c. Probationary Periods
- d. References
- e. Rehabilitation of Offenders Act & CRB Checks
- f. Checking qualifications
- g. Letter of engagement

2. Statements of Particulars of Employment ('contracts')

- a. Variations
- b. Comparison of letter of engagement/SOPE
- c. What must an SOPE contain?
- d. Pensions

3. Family Friendly Policies

- a. Maternity and Adoption
- b. Paternity
- c. Flexible Working
- d. Parental and Dependent Care Leave

4. Holiday Entitlement

- a. Statutory Rights
- b. Taking holiday
- c. Termination of employment
- d. Understanding pro rata holiday
- e. Understanding variable hours and holidays

5. Discipline, Appeals and Grievance Procedures

- a. Statutory requirements
- b. Handling disciplinary matters
 - i Misconduct
 - ii Gross misconduct
 - iii Being accompanied
 - iv Natural Justice
- c. Responding to a grievance
 - i During employment
 - ii After termination
- d. Appeals procedures

6. Termination of Employment and Employee's Rights

- a. Automatic unfair dismissal
- b. Unfair dismissal
- c. Constructive dismissal
- d. Summary dismissal
- e. Transfer of undertakings
- f. Redundancy



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