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Negotiating and **Drafting Major Business Agreements**

Current practical advice on the structure of key business deals

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October 7 & 8, 2014, Toronto

Two-Day Event!

Workshop Included: Joint Venture & Strategic Alliance Agreements

who should attend

Corporate Counsel, Legal Services VPs & Directors, Lawyers, Corporate Executives, Contract Managers, Corporate Secretaries, Commercial & Investment Bankers, Consultants, Brokers, Private **Equity Investors**

course highlights

- Mastering key drafting and negotiating skills
- Determining what to disclose
- Complying with electronic contract formalities
- Understanding intellectual property rights
- Realizing effective employment agreements
- Crafting cross-border contracts strategically
- · Negotiating shareholders agreements
- Planning for acquisitions and closing the deal



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"Benefited greatly from the course, it was a good introductory course for agreements"

"Got ideas for new and/or improved clauses,(i.e., better drafting techniques)"

COURSE LEADERS

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Constance Crosby is General Counsel at Crosby Law. Her practices focusses on IP and IT transactions, patents and licensing, as well as structuring joint ventures and mergers and acquisitions. She previously served as VP of Legal Services at Cisco Canada.

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COURSE PROGRAM

PANEL: PRACTICAL NEGOTIATING STRATEGIES AND **TECHNIQUES FOR CONTRACTS & AGREEMENTS**

This panel discussion will share ideas and approaches on effective negotiating strategies and techniques when drafting major business agreements.

- Having a game plan
- Knowing who you are negotiating with
- · Knowing your goals in advance
- · Being reasonable
- Being practical
- Understanding the big picture
- · Achieving a win/win result

PRACTICAL DRAFTING TECHNIQUES FOR CONTRACTS & **AGREEMENTS**

This session will discuss the up front considerations and practical drafting techniques that are necessary to successfully convert an idea or term sheet into a formal written agreement that will withstand the test of time.

- Key considerations underlying good drafting
- Effective use of boilerplate provisions and template agreements
- Risk and responsibilities: assessment & allocation
- · Common pitfalls to avoid



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DRAFTING AND NEGOTIATING SUCCESSFUL SERVICE AND SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENTS

- Identifying the business interests which the SLAs are intended to advance
- Establishing appropriate SLA incentives and enforcement terms and conditions
- Identifying appropriate SLA metrics and measurement methodologies
- Assessment and Monitoring requirements
- Identifying risks including cyber risks
- · Remedial activities to result from the SLA breaches
- Default and termination as a result of SLA breaches

NEGOTIATING SHAREHOLDERS' AGREEMENTS

- · Checklist of issues to consider
- Unanimous vs. non-unanimous shareholders agreements
- Governance and control issues
- Transfer restrictions, funding arrangements, exit strategies
- Dispute resolution, non-compete and confidential information provisions
- Veto rights
- Rights to nominate directors
- Preferred vs. common shares and share conditions

OUTSOURCING AGREEMENT NEGOTIATIONS

- Basic elements of outsourcing transactions, including transfers of assets and personnel
- · Customer goals and contractual requirements
- Specification of services, service level expectations and service level remedies
- Order flexibility and change process
- Jurisdictional and offshoring complexity
- Regulatory issues
- Indemnities, limitations of liability, representations & warranties
- Invoicing, payment, performance incentives, gain sharing, adjustments and credits
- · Audit rights
- IP ownership protection and licensing
- Confidentiality, privacy and security

CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENTS

- Determining what to disclose
- Timing of disclosure
- Two-way disclosure considerations
- Required disclosure to third parties
- Practical drafting considerations

LETTERS OF INTENT

In commercial transactions, letters of intent focus the parties on forging a deal, provide a helpful record of agreed terms, establish negotiation parameters and pave the way to efficient execution. This session will provide practical tips in negotiating and drafting effective letters of intent while highlighting recent legal developments interpreting them.

- Using letters of intent to save time and expense
- Fundamental elements of letters of intent: key terms to include
- Agreements to agree and enforceable obligations: the latest legal developments
- · Confidentiality, assignment, no shop and standstill provisions
- Reliance on letters of intent
- Public disclosure obligations

NEGOTIATING ACQUISITION AGREEMENTS

- Essential steps in a purchase transaction
- Contract structure and essential terms
- Asset purchases, stock purchases and merger agreements
- Basic tax consideration in structuring acquisitions
- Representations and warranties and covenants
- Closing the deal: conditions, pitfalls, risk, material change, termination provisions

MANAGING RISK IN INTERNATIONAL & CROSS-BORDER TRANSACTIONS

- · How risks in international and cross-border transactions are different
- · Country risk and counter- party risk
- Negotiating in different cultures and languages
- Dangers in jurisdictions that appear familiar
- · Choice of law and its limitations
- · Conflict and dispute resolution options
- · Choice of jurisdiction: which court(s)?
- Reasons for choosing international commercial arbitration
- Avoiding pitfalls in international arbitration provisions
- Taking advantage of investor protection treaties
- The importance -- and dangers -- of local counsel

IP LICENSING AGREEMENTS

- What IP rights can be licensed?
- Key components of the license grant
- Avoiding common problems in the license grant
- · Improvements: ownership and licensing
- Scope of license: avoiding common problems
- Term and termination
- Restrictions on assignment
- Licensing trade-marks: the importance of quality control
- Licensing trade secrets: maintaining confidentiality
- Common representations and warranties
- Apportioning risk: indemnification and limitation of liability

LIMITATION & LIABILITY INDEMNITIES

Limitation of liability and indemnity provisions are included in most types of contracts and can have a significant impact on the remedies available as they may expand or limit exposure to risk over the course of the contract. The session will examine key considerations in the negotiation and drafting of these clauses.

- · Determining what indemnities to include
- Exclusions of and limitation of liability clauses, and appropriateness of certain exceptions
- Key considerations for indemnification clauses
- · Reviewing indemnities and limitations of liability clauses in tandem

WORKSHOP

JOINT VENTURE & STRATEGIC ALLIANCE AGREEMENTS

- Complexities inherent in negotiating and drafting joint venture documents
- Legal forms of joint ventures
- Common elements of joint venture agreements
- Defining the scope of the venture
- Degree of participation and management of roles of each party
- Contribution of capital and ownership rights to property
- Division of the profits and losses
- Transferability of joint venture interests
- Exit strategies and consequences of termination
- Dispute resolution

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Electronic Contracts

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Outsourcing Agreement Negotiations

Lisa K. Abe-Oldenburg
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Practical drafting techniques for Contracts and Agreements

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Confidentiality Agreements and Letters of Intent

Colin K. Sam Aecon Group Inc.

Employment Agreements

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Drafting and Negotiating a Successful Service Level Agreements

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Securing Human Capital in Business Transactions

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Negotiating Acquisition Agreements

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Risk Allocation in Commercial Agreements

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Practical Negotiating Techniques for Contracts and Agreements

Gabor G.S. Takach Torys LLP

Negotiating Shareholders Agreements Kenneth N. Burnett

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Case study: Practical Considerations in Commercial Contracts

Sean S. Caragata Cisco Systems, Inc.

Strategies in Drafting Contractual Provisions

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Competition Act and Investment Canada Act Provisions in M&A Agreements

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Panel Discussion: Legal Frameworks for Drafting Commercial Agreements

Pierre Soulard Norton Rose Canada LLP

Drafting Rights, Obligations, Exclusion and Limitation Clauses

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Legal Aspects of Tenders, Proposals, Auctions and Quotations

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