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## LATEST NEWS FROM MST LAWYERS

### FAIR WORK OMBUDSMAN FINES FRANCHISOR FOR BREACHES OF ACT

Earlier this month, Yogurberry's master franchisor was held responsible for the exploitation of four staff who were employed by the franchise owner of the Yogurberry store in which they worked. The court's ruling has sent a clear message that franchisors will be penalised for the actions of unscrupulous franchisees.

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### BROADER APPLICATION OF THE FOREIGN RESIDENT CAPITAL GAINS TAX WITHHOLDING RULE

Contracts regarding the sale of some Australian assets by foreign residents are now subject to a 10% withholding regime. Understand your obligations as a buyer and seller and how this new Bill can impact property, lease premiums and mining transactions along with other related concerns you may be a party to.

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## ESTATE AGENTS LOOK OUT! BE SURE TO UNDERSTAND NEW PRICING LAW

New legislation to stamp out underquoting in the real estate industry has been passed. Failing to comply could result in a fine of more than \$30,000 as well as potentially forgoing sales commission and other fees resulting from the sale. Ensure you are in compliance with the revised Estates Agents Act.

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## FRANCHISOR LIABILITY – WHERE DO YOU STAND?

7-Eleven and now Caltex have come under the Fair Work Ombudsman's microscope. Franchisors can be held liable for breaches of workplace laws committed by their franchisees. It is important to know how you can avoid being next.

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## MST LAWYERS' DEBORAH KLIGER ELECTED CO-CHAIR OF VICTORIAN WOMEN LAWYERS' NETWORKING COMMITTEE

Congratulations to Deborah Kliger, Lawyer of our Wills & Estates team, on being elected co-chair of Victorian Women Lawyers' Networking Committee. Victorian Women Lawyers is the peak representative body of women lawyers in Victoria and a recognised organisation of Australian Women Lawyers.

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## MST LAWYERS CHRISTMAS CLOSURE

*It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas.....are you ready?*

MST Lawyers will be closed from **Monday, 26th December 2016** and will reopen on **Monday, 9th January 2017**.

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