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Topic 1: Key Principles of Statutory Interpretation
• Modern approach to statutory interpretation
• Textual and contextual considerations
• Purpose

Topic 2: Application of Interpretation Rules
• Definitions and structure of an Act
• Acts Interpretation Acts
• Substantive presumptions

Topic 3: Interaction between statutes
• Amendments, inconsistencies and repeals
• Codes
• Regulations

12.00pm Questions, discussion and conclusion

About the facilitator:

James EMMETT is a Barrister at 12th Floor, Selborne Wentworth Chambers. His work at the Bar includes equity, commercial litigation and public law. James is also a Visiting Fellow at UNSW Law, where he teaches “Statutory Interpretation” and “Private International Law”. He is a graduate of UNSW and Cambridge University.

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