

## Preface

- adding more explanations as to the meaning of legal terms and principles throughout the text to make the book an 'easier read' for readers who are not lawyers.

Like many publications nowadays this book also has its own website at <http://www.draftingcommercialcontracts.info>. We will add new developments to the material in the book as well as including more information about the practicalities of drafting. Our firm also has its own blog which often includes postings about and on drafting: <http://www.ipdraughts.wordpress.com>. Please visit it too!

This book is really one half of a larger book. The other (larger) half is our *A-Z Guide to Boilerplate and Commercial Clauses*, which provides more in-depth commentary on individual clauses than we can incorporate in this book, together with examples of wording. As we finish this book we are hard at work on the 3rd edition of *A-Z Guide to Boilerplate and Commercial Clauses*, which is due to appear in 2012.

Although much has changed, the fundamentals still apply: the contract drafter's objectives are to express the commercial intentions of the parties in clear and direct language, and in a legally effective way. The goal of this third edition remains the same as that of the first edition: to provide a practical guide to help the drafter to meet those objectives.

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