



## Corporate Policy Statement on Resolving Disputes

We recognise that for many disputes there may be less expensive and more effective methods of resolution than traditional litigation. Negotiation, mediation and other collaborative approaches can often reduce the direct and indirect costs for businesses of litigation or prolonged disputes, preserve business relationships and result in solutions which are not available in court.

In recognition of this, we subscribe to the following statement of policy on behalf of the company and its subsidiaries.

In the event of a dispute between our company and another company which has made or makes a similar statement, we are prepared to explore with that other party resolution of the dispute through negotiation, mediation or other collaborative approaches before proceeding or continuing with litigation. If either party believes that a dispute is not suitable for such a collaborative approach, or if such approaches do not produce satisfactory results, either party may proceed or continue with litigation.

Signed:

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Chief Executive

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Legal Director / Officer

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We acknowledge that the idea for such a Policy Statement emanates from the internationally-recognised CPR Institute for Dispute Resolution, based in New York, soon to be renamed The International Institute for Conflict Prevention and Resolution.