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## A lawyer who understands the hospitality industry



All restaurateurs, pubs, hotels and caterers may require legal services from time to time. And who better to provide those services, than a lawyer with 'hands on' experience? Jonathan Kaplan is someone who really understands the hospitality industry.

Jonathan combines his experience as a former owner of hospitality businesses with his legal background to provide a niche specialist legal service to the hospitality industry. He also writes a monthly column on legal issues in the hospitality industry for *foodService* magazine. He has nurtured hospitality businesses from their early stages and has the ability to anticipate issues that may confront their owners and managers – whether they are experienced operators, have just entered the industry or are about to leave.

Drawing on this considerable experience, Jonathan develops and maintains strong relationships with his clients and provides sound commercial legal advice

He is also the honorary legal counsel to the Australian Institute of Business Brokers (Vic Chapter) and is accredited by the Law Institute of Victoria as an Accredited Specialist Mediator. He is on the panel of mediators for Office of the Small Business Commissioner, the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal (VCAT) and the Office of the Franchising Mediation Adviser.

Jonathan's clients include many well-known cafes, restaurants, pubs and hotel operators, for whom he has acted in all areas touching upon the hospitality industry, including representing those operators facing prosecution for contraventions of the Food Act and guiding them through the process.

For further information Jonathan can be contacted on (03) 8686 9197 or 0418 588 855 and he will be happy to discuss any of your hospitality or other legal issues.