

Text exploration Lecture 4_ Professional malpractice and liability

Suspend something/somebody (from something) (by/on something) (*formal*) to hang something from something else *A lamp was suspended from the ceiling.*

Her body was found suspended by a rope.

2 Suspend something to officially stop something for a time; to prevent something from being active, used, etc. for a time *Production has been suspended while safety checks are carried out.*

The constitution was suspended as the fighting grew worse.

In the theatre we willingly suspend disbelief (= temporarily believe that the characters, etc. are real).

3 Suspend something to officially delay something; to arrange for something to happen later than planned *The introduction of the new system has been suspended until next year.*

to suspend judgement (= delay forming or expressing an opinion)

4 [usually passive] suspend somebody (from something) to officially prevent somebody from doing their job, going to school, etc. for a time *The police officer was suspended while the complaint was investigated.*

She was suspended from school for a week.

5 be suspended in something (*specialist*) to float in liquid or air without moving *Small droplets are held suspended in the atmosphere.*

SEE ALSO Suspension

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em·ploy·er *noun* BrE /ɪmˈplɔɪə(r)/ ; NAmE /ɪmˈplɔɪər/ : a person or company that pays people to work for them *They're very good employers (= they treat the people that work for them well).*

e.g one of the largest employers in the area

law·suit *noun* BrE /'lɔːsu:t/ , also /'lɔːsju:t/ ; NAmE /'lɔːsu:t/ (also **suit**): a claim or complaint against somebody that a person or an organization can make in court. *He filed a lawsuit against his record company.*

licensing board complaints شكاوى مجالس الترخيص

licensing board complaints allege violation of standards of practice set forth in licensing laws and regulations. شكاوى مجالس التراخيص التي تدعي انتهاك معايير الممارسات المنصوص عليها في قوانين تراخيص الخيص والتنظيمات

fine noun BrE /faɪn/ ; NAmE /faɪn/ : a sum of money that must be paid as punishment for breaking a law or rule a parking fine

Offenders will be liable to a **heavy fine** (= one that costs a lot of money).

Under the new law, motorists face fines of up to £1 000.

She has already paid over \$2 000 in fines.

revo·ca·tion noun BrE /,revə'keɪʃn/ ; NAmE /,revə'keɪʃn/ [uncountable, countable] (formal)

the act of cancelling a law, etc the revocation of planning permission

re·voke verb BrE /rɪ'vəʊk/ ; NAmE /rɪ'voʊk/

VERB FORMS

present simple I / you / we / they revoke BrE /rɪ'vəʊk/ ; NAmE /rɪ'voʊk/

he / she / it revokes BrE /rɪ'vəʊks/ ; NAmE /rɪ'voʊks/

past simple revoked BrE /rɪ'vəʊkt/ ; NAmE /rɪ'voʊkt/

past participle revoked BrE /rɪ'vəʊkt/ ; NAmE /rɪ'voʊkt/

-ing form revoking BrE /rɪ'vəʊkɪŋ/ ; NAmE /rɪ'voʊkɪŋ/

revoke something (formal) to officially cancel something so that it is no longer valid. Your licence may be revoked at any time.

sus·pen·sion noun

BrE /sə'spenʃn/ ; NAmE /sə'spenʃn/

1 [uncountable, countable] the act of officially removing somebody from their job, school, team, etc. for a period of time, usually as a punishment suspension from school

The two players are appealing against their suspensions.

2 [uncountable, singular] the act of delaying something for a period of time, until a decision has been taken These events have led to the suspension of talks.

3 [uncountable, countable] the system by which a vehicle is supported on its wheels and which makes it more comfortable to ride in when the road surface is not even the **front/rear suspension**

4 [countable, uncountable] (specialist) a liquid with very small pieces of solid matter floating in it; the state of such a liquid

SEE ALSO **suspend**

monetary judgments أحكام نقدية ويقصد بها غرامات مالية هنا

pro·ba·tion *noun*

BrE /prə'beɪʃn/ ; NAmE /proʊ'beɪʃn/

[uncountable]

1 (*law*) a system that allows a person who has committed a crime not to go to prison if they behave well and if they see an official (called a **probation officer**) regularly for a fixed period of time *The prisoner was put **on probation**.*

He was given two years' probation.

2 a time of training and testing when you start a new job to see if you are suitable for the work *a period of probation*

3 (*North American English*) a fixed period of time during which a student who has behaved badly or not worked hard must improve their work or their behaviour

man·date *noun*

BrE /'mændeɪt/ ; NAmE /'mændeɪt/

1 the authority to do something, given to a government or other organization by the people who vote for it in an election **mandate (to do something)** *The election victory gave the party a clear mandate to continue its programme of reform.*

mandate (for something) *a mandate for an end to the civil war*

2 the period of time for which a government is given power *The presidential mandate is limited to two terms of four years each.*

3 **mandate (to do something)** (*formal*) an official order given to somebody to perform a particular task *The bank had no mandate to honour the cheque.*

4 the power given to a country to govern another country or region, especially in the past *The Cook Islands mandate was given to New Zealand.*

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man·date *verb*

BrE /'mændeɪt/ ; NAmE /'mændeɪt/ ; BrE /,mæn'deɪt/ ; NAmE /,mæn'deɪt/

[often passive] (*formal*)

- VERB FORMS

Verb Forms

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past participle mandated BrE /'mændertɪd/ ; NAmE /'mændertɪd/ ; BrE /,mæn'dertɪd/ ; NAmE /,mæn'dertɪd/

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1 mandate that... mandate somebody (to do something) (*especially North American English*) to order somebody to behave, do something or vote in a particular way *The law mandates that imported goods be identified as such.*

2 mandate somebody/something to do something to give somebody, especially a government or a committee, the authority to do something *The assembly was mandated to draft a constitution.*

We need to be sure that the directors are mandated to act.

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rep·ri·mand *noun*

BrE /'reprɪmɑ:nd/ ; NAmE /'reprɪmænd/

[countable, uncountable] (*formal*)

the act of telling somebody officially that you do not approve of them or their actions *He received a severe reprimand for his behaviour.*

rep·ri·mand *verb*

BrE /'reprɪmɑ:nd/ ; NAmE /'reprɪmænd/

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Verb Forms

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-ing form reprimanding BrE /'reprɪmɑːndɪŋ/ ; NAmE /'reprɪmændɪŋ/

reprimand somebody (for something) + speech (*formal*) to tell somebody officially that you do not approve of them or their actions

SYNONYM **rebuke**

The officers were severely reprimanded for their unprofessional behaviour.

re·buke *verb*

BrE /rɪ'bjʊ:k/ ; NAmE /rɪ'bjʊ:k/

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-ing form rebuking BrE /rɪ'bjʊ:kɪŋ/ ; NAmE /rɪ'bjʊ:kɪŋ/

[often passive] **rebuke somebody (for something/for doing something)** (*formal*) to speak severely to somebody because they have done something wrong

SYNONYM **reprimand**

The company was publicly rebuked for having neglected safety procedures.

She rebuked herself for her stupidity.

cen·sure *noun*

BrE /'senʃə(r)/ ; NAmE /'senʃər/

[uncountable] (*formal*) strong criticism *a vote of censure on the government's foreign policy*

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- EXTRA EXAMPLES

He could face censure from his colleagues.

It was unavoidable that some artists would face official censure.

Right-wing parties tabled a motion of censure against the government.

Her dishonest behaviour came under severe censure.

The opposition forced a vote of censure on the government's foreign policy.

cen·sure *verb*

BrE /'senʃə(r)/ ; NAmE /'senʃər/

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past participle censured BrE /'senʃəd/ ; NAmE /'senʃərd/

-ing form censuring BrE /'senʃərɪŋ/ ; NAmE /'senʃərɪŋ/

censure somebody (for something) (*formal*) to criticize somebody severely, and often publicly, because of something they have done

SYNONYM **rebuke**

He was censured for leaking information to the press.

The manager was severely censured for negligence.

rea·son·able *adjective*

BrE /'ri:znəbl/ ; NAmE /'ri:znəbl/

1 **reasonable (to do something)** fair, practical and sensible *It is reasonable to assume that he knew beforehand that this would happen.*

Be reasonable! *We can't work late every night.*

Any reasonable person would have done exactly as you did.

*The prosecution has to prove **beyond reasonable doubt** that he is guilty of murder.*

We have reasonable grounds for believing that you are responsible.

You must take all reasonable steps to ensure that the information that you provide is correct.

It seems a perfectly reasonable request to make.

OPPOSITE **unreasonable**

2 acceptable and appropriate in a particular situation *He made us a reasonable offer for the car.*

You must submit your claim within a reasonable time.

3 (of prices) not too expensive

SYNONYM **fair**

We sell good quality food at reasonable prices.

malfeasance noun uncountable legal UK ² /,mæl'fi:z(ə)ns/

DEFINITIONS1 : [illegal actions](#)

Misfeasance in public office refers to **action taken by a public officer where they have knowingly misused or abused their power or authority and willingly acted to cause harm to an individual or group.**

Misfeasance: noun [U] LAW uk /,mɪs'fi:zəns/ us :The [fact](#) of someone in [authority](#) [performing](#) a [legal act](#) in an [illegal](#) way, often without [intending](#) to:

People who have [lost money](#) are [accusing](#) the [minister](#) of misfeasance.

malfeasance

noun [U]

law specialized

uk

/mæl'fi:zəns/ us

/mæl'fi:zəns/

Add to word list

an [example](#) of [dishonest](#) and [illegal behaviour](#), [especially](#) by a [person](#) in [authority](#):

Several [cases](#) of [malpractice](#) and malfeasance in the [financial world](#) are [currently](#) being [investigated](#).

Nonfeasance noun [U] LAW uk /,nɒn'fi:zəns/ us : A [failure](#) to do something when there is a [legal duty](#) to do so, [especially](#) by a [person](#) in [authority](#):

The two [marshals committed](#) nonfeasance by [refusing](#) to [answer questions](#) from the [investigator](#).

اختلاس أموال العميل embezzling a client's money

dere-lict adjective مهمل :

BrE /'derəlɪkt/ ; NAmE /'derəlɪkt/

(especially of land or buildings) not used or cared for and in bad condition **derelict**
land/buildings/sites

The canal has been derelict for many years.

The land lay derelict for ten years.

a partially derelict mill

dere-lict noun

BrE /'derəlɪkt/ ; NAmE /'derəlɪkt/

(*formal*) a person without a home, a job or property

SYNONYM **vagrant**

derelicts living on the streets

___ **de-prive** verb

BrE /dɪ'praɪv/ ; NAmE /dɪ'praɪv/

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-ing form depriving BrE /dɪ'praɪvɪŋ/ ; NAmE /dɪ'praɪvɪŋ/

___ de'prive somebody/something of something

to prevent somebody from having or doing something, especially something important They were imprisoned and deprived of their basic rights.

Why should you deprive yourself of such simple pleasures?

flawed *adjective*

BrE /flɔ:d/ ; NAmE /flɔ:d/

having a flaw; damaged or spoiled **seriously/fundamentally/fatally flawed**

a flawed argument

the book's flawed heroine

The study was methodologically flawed.

a series of fatally flawed judgements

the opinion that people have of you, particularly of whether you can be trusted or relied on
*She was a victim of **character assassination** (= an unfair attack on the good opinion people had of her).*

a slur/attack on his character

*My teacher agreed to be a **character witness** for me in court.*

*a **character reference** (= a letter that a person who knows you well writes to an employer to tell them about your good qualities)*

re-dress *noun*

BrE /rɪ'dres/ ; NAmE /rɪ'dres/ ; BrE /'ri:dres/ ; NAmE /'ri:dres/ [uncountable] **redress** (for/against something) (formal) payment, etc. that you should get for something wrong that has happened to you or harm that you have suffered

SYNONYM **compensation**

to seek legal redress for unfair dismissal

to have little prospect of redress

Deter , deters, deterred ,detering : يردع

De-ter-rent رادع أو مانع *noun* BrE /di'terənt/ ; NAmE /di'tɜ:rənt/ **deterrent (to somebody/something)** a thing that makes somebody less likely to do something (= that deters them) *Hopefully his punishment will act as a deterrent to others.*

Special leave إجازة خاصة is paid leave granted for a number of special circumstances – including marriage, the birth of a child, and to provide care to an immediate family member with a serious illness. _____

For research