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New Publication – Land Law Third Edition by WJM Ricquier

Adjunct Associate Professor William JM Ricquier has recently published the 3rd Edition of his book *Land Law*. The author's preface in this Edition highlights the "quiet revolution in Singapore land law" that had taken place since the 2nd Edition which appeared in 1995. The 3rd Edition comes 22 years after the 1st Edition which was the first in the Faculty of Law's Singapore Law Series of books giving an outline of selected areas of the law.

The second edition of *Land Law* was published in 1995. As The Honourable Justice VK Rajah, Judge of Appeal, says in his insightful foreword to the third edition, there has been a sea-change in land law in Singapore since then. There have been important amendments to many of the statutes relevant to land law, and a number of very significant cases from the Court of Appeal and High Court. The leading example, perhaps, is the Court of Appeal's decision in *United Overseas Bank Ltd v Bebe binte Mohammad* [2006] 4 SLR 884, which has clarified many issues pertaining to the Land Titles Act. Some areas of the book, particularly the chapter on Leases, have been expanded so that a more comprehensive survey of the law is provided and a number of chapters have been re-crafted in recognition of the virtual disappearance of unregistered land.

Amidst all the changes, the aim of the book remains the same – to make palatable and readable, an area of the law that many find difficult to grasp. The book is written with students, practitioners, estate agents and all who are interested in this area of the law, in mind.

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