

Book Launch

The Second Charter of Justice: A Documentary History

“The Second Charter of Justice: A Documentary History” traces the origins and evolution of Singapore’s modern legal system through one of the key foundational documents underpinning it. Issued in 1826, the Second Charter of Justice established the first common-law court in Singapore and applied the common law across the Straits Settlements.

Featuring a clause by clause annotation of the Charter and a collection of rare historical documents, this book traces the Charter’s development, implementation and enduring influence, providing valuable insights into the development of the laws and institutions that shape Singapore’s legal landscape.



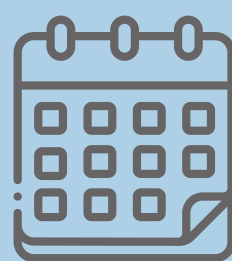
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