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DIVERGENCE AND CONVERGENCE IN THE LAW OF CONTRACTUAL PENALTIES AND LIQUIDATED DAMAGES CLAUSES IN MALAYSIA, SINGAPORE AND ENGLAND [MALAYSIA, SINGAPORE AND ENGLAND]



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# CIVIL-COMMON LAW DIVERGENCE ON PENALTIES: IS IT A THING OF THE PAST? [UK AND US]



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THE HERMENEUTICS OF THE CONCEPT OF **MISREPRESENTATION: ADDRESSING THE QUAGMIRE** OF 'COMPENSATION' IN CASES OF MISREPRESENTATION UNDER INDIAN AND ENGLISH LAW [ENGLAND AND INDIA]



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