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What is a circumstance?

A 'circumstance' is a fact, situation or circumstance that the Insured knows about and which the Insured ought to reasonably realise may give rise to a claim in the future.

How to recognise a circumstance?

Circumstances can at times be obscure, so we have split them into two categories: obvious and less obvious types.

Whilst this list is extensive, it is NOT intended to be a comprehensive listing of all possible types of circumstances. It is generally a matter for the courts to interpret whether a fact, situation or circumstance is a 'fact which might give rise to a claim' or not.

The following examples should only be used as a guide.

OBVIOUS TYPES	LESS OBVIOUS TYPES
 Complaint by employee about the actions of a co-worker 	 Need to discipline an employee for an employment practices related incident eg harassment, discrimination.
 Letter of demand from an employee or employee's solicitor or employee union foreshadowing future litigation. 	 Insured hears via another source of an employee's allegation of sexual harassment, discrimination or unfair dismissal by the Insured or an employee of the Insured.