

Know how to ... **GET THE LEGAL** STRUCTURE RIGHT Know the laws of business.

Know how to manage your legal risks.

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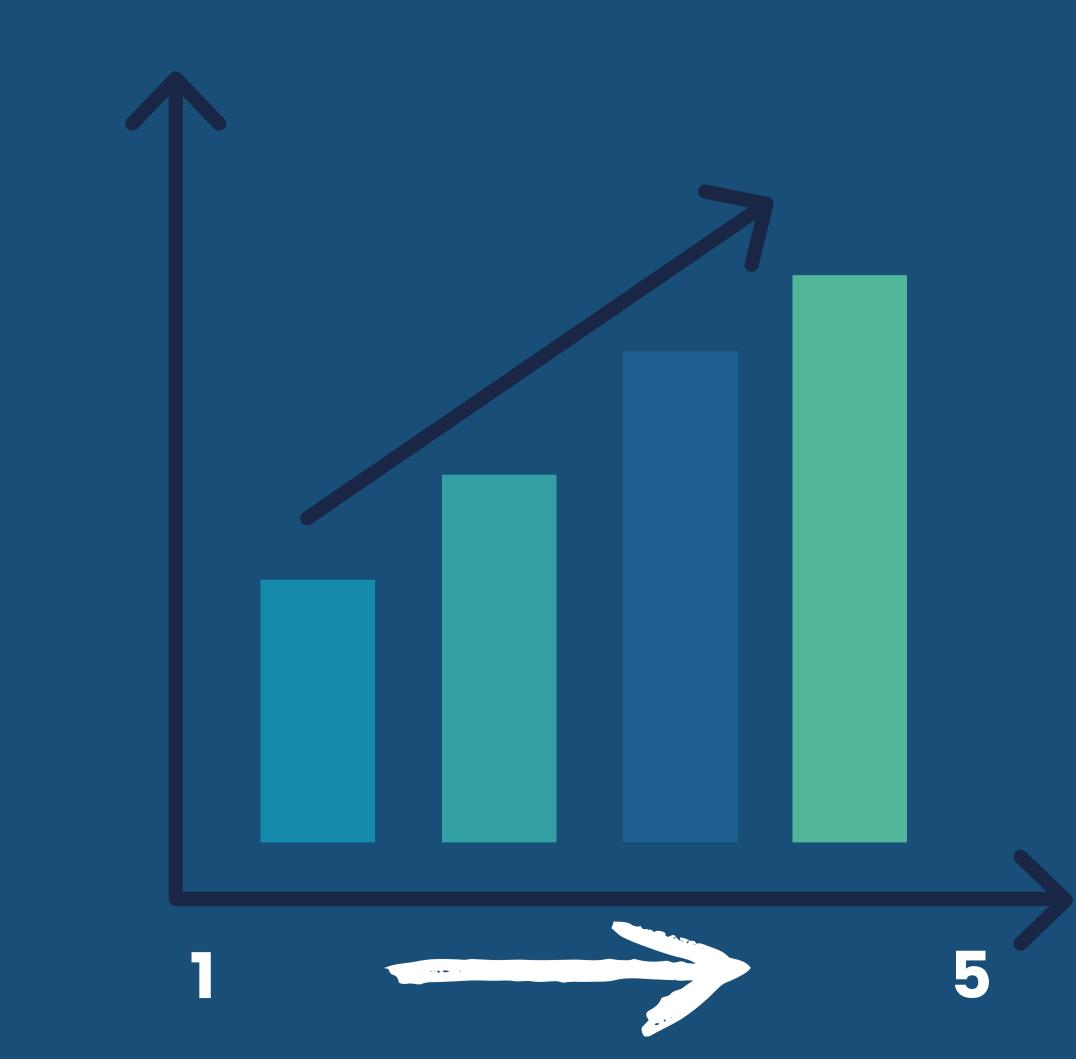


27 years in legal practice Assisting business owners Educating business owners



















Understand the different legal structures



Understand the importance of documentation



Understand what a business is



YOU'RE IN THE RIGHT PLACE IF ...

 You are a start-up and don't know where to start You have started but you don't know if you've done it right You need to re-visit these legal concepts



TYPE "YES" IN THE CHAT IF YOU'RE READY TO TAKE STEPS TO SAVE TIME, MONEY AND ENERGY IN YOUR BUSINESS

KNOWLEDGE IS POWER

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PROACTIVE RATHER THAN REACTIVE

Take proactive steps to avoid, rather than reacting



RT FRAMEWORK





Part One Legal structures

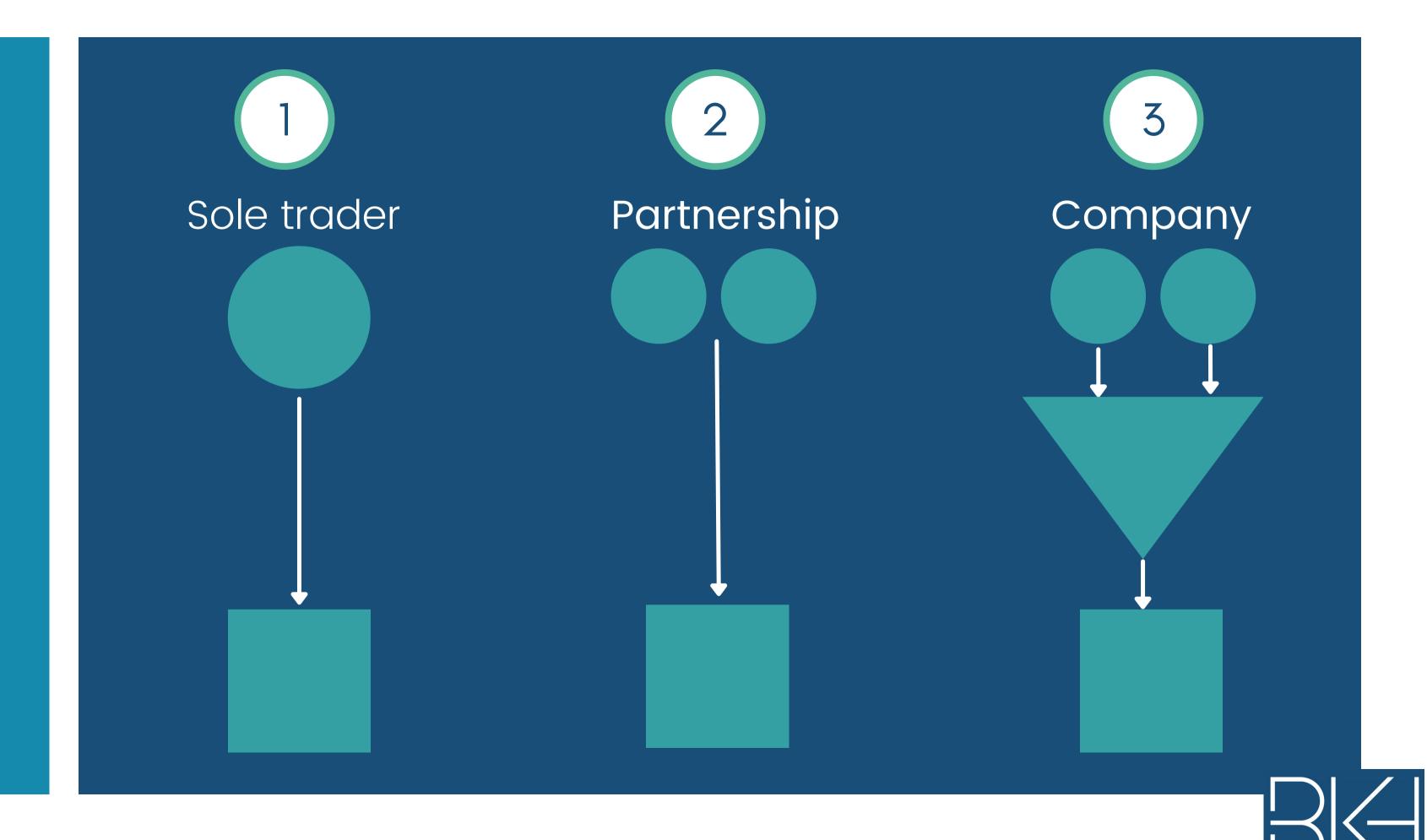
Part Two Documentation





Part Three The business

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FORMATION

PARTNERSHIP

- Partnership Act 1892 (NSW)
- the relation between persons
- carrying on a business
- in common
- with a view of profit

- Pty Ltd

COMPANY

• Corporations Act 2001 (Cth) • Registration with ASIC



DOCUMENTATION

PARTNERSHIP

• Partnership Agreement



CORPORATION

• Shareholders Agreement



COMPARISON

PARTNERSHIP

- Not a separate legal entity
- Unlimited liability

- Separate legal entity
- Limited liability
- Higher set up & running costs
- Obligations under Corp Act
- Taxation requirements
- Director ID



COMPANY



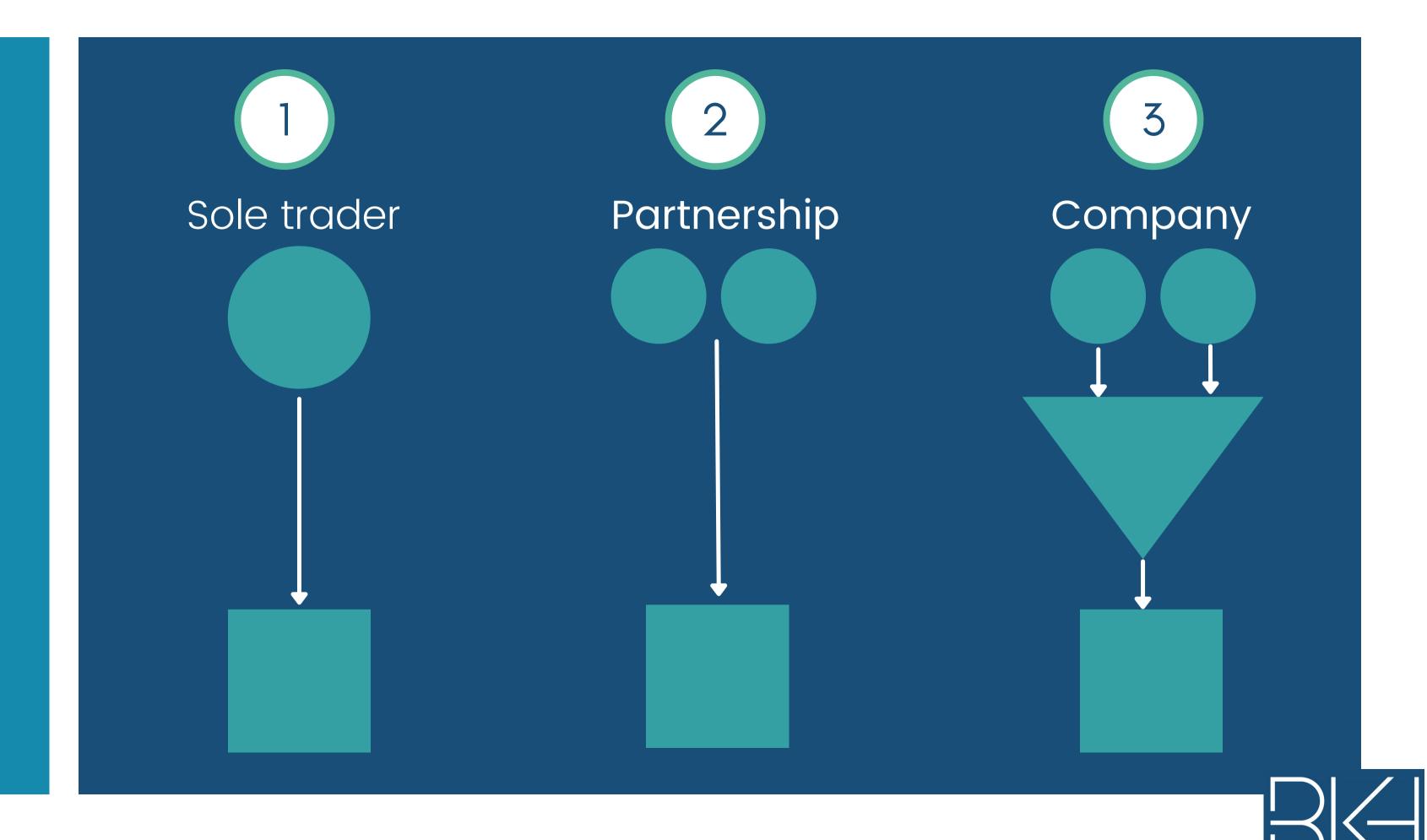
THE BUSINESS

- Plant & equipment
- Fixtures & fittings
- Machinery
- Motor vehicles
- Stock



• Business name • Logo -> trade mark • Domain name / website • Social media • Employees • Lease for premises • Supply agreements • Business licences • Goodwill

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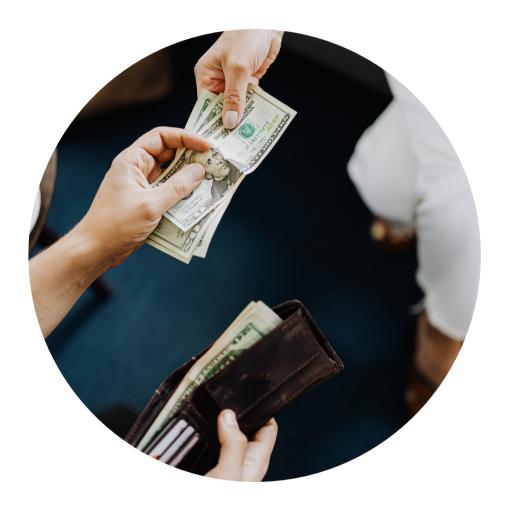


- Business partnership -> corporation
- Death of a partner
- No Shareholders Agreement
- No insurance





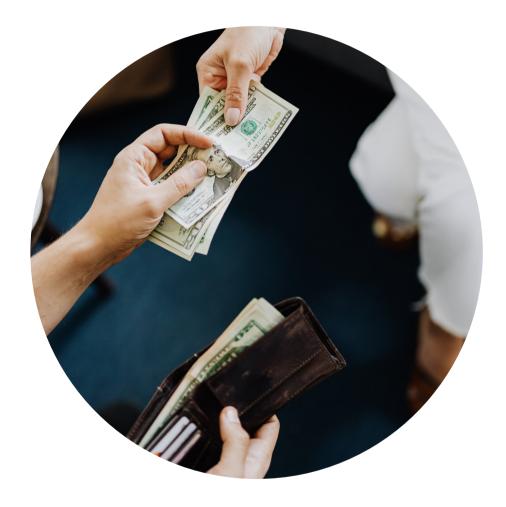
- Company selling a business
- Listed for sale for 6 months
- Negotiated the sale with a buyer
- No contract or other documentation
- Buyer got cold feet and walked away





- Worker -> cash payments
- Damage to customer premises
- Contractor?
 - Covered by own insurance
- Employee?

Covered by business insurance Fair Work considerations





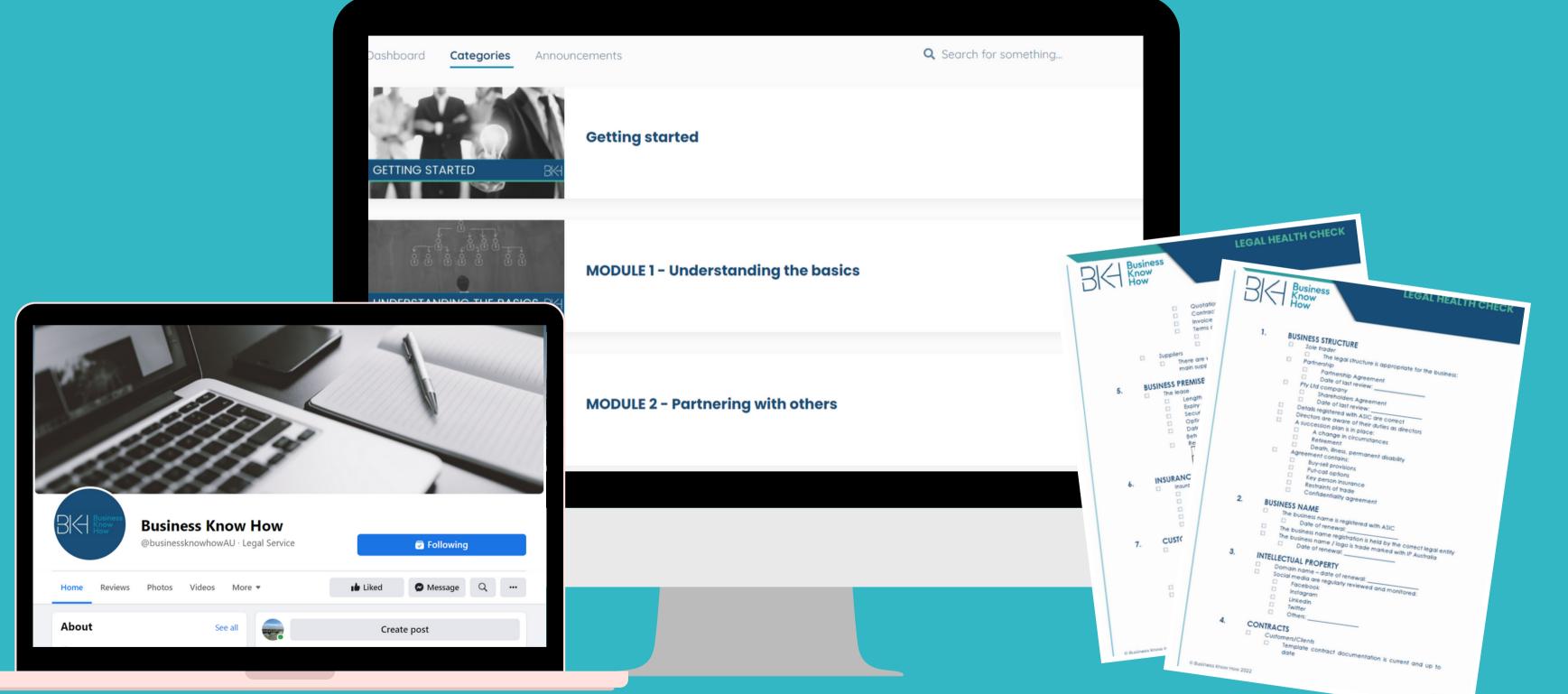


- Registered business name
- No pre-registration searches
- Cease and desist letter
- Rebrand the entire business





INTRODUCING:





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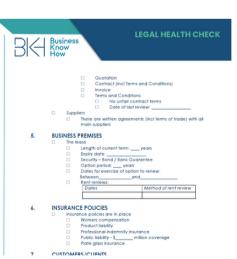


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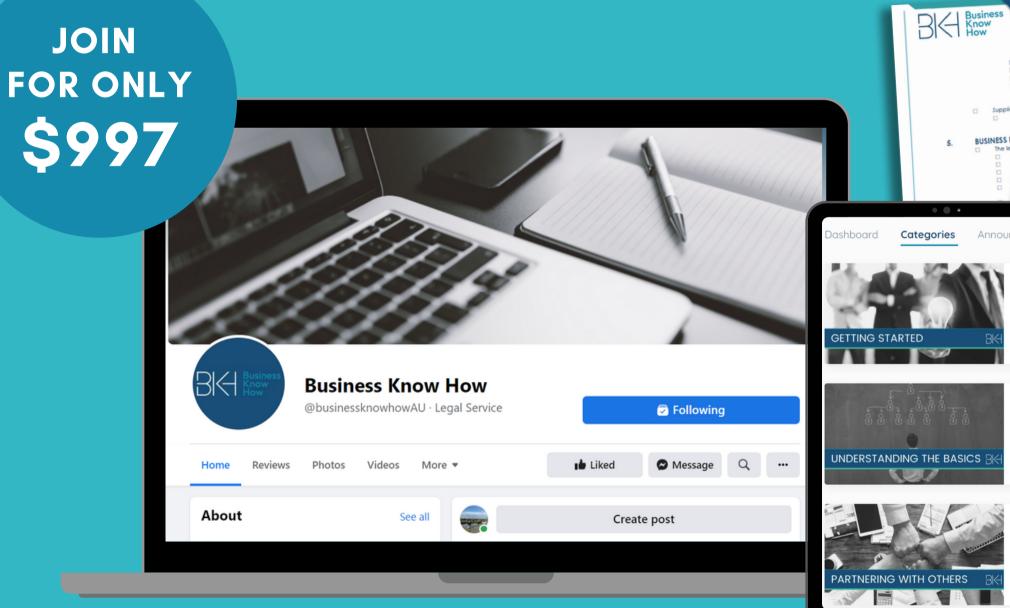








Get the legal structure right, deal with customers and suppliers, get paid



Announcements Getting sto MODULE **DOORS ARE** CLOSING MODULE 2 **VERY SOON!**

LEGAL HEALTH CHECK

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