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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**The Virgin Islands Constitution Order 2007**

**THE CONSTITUTION OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS**

**CHAPTER 2**

**FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS AND FREEDOMS OF THE INDIVIDUAL**

**Protection from slavery and forced labour**

- 14.**—(1) No person shall be subjected to slavery, servitude or forced labour.
- (2) For the purposes of subsection (1), “forced labour” does not include—
- (a) any labour required in consequence of the sentence or order of a court;
  - (b) any labour required of a member of a disciplined force in pursuance of his or her duties as such or, in the case of a person who has conscientious objections to service in a naval, military or air force, any labour that such person is required by law to perform in place of such service;
  - (c) labour required of a person while he or she is lawfully detained that is reasonably necessary in the interests of hygiene; or
  - (d) any labour required for the purpose of dealing with any situation arising during a period of public emergency or at a time when any other emergency or calamity threatens the well-being of the community, to the extent that the requiring of such labour as may be prescribed in emergency regulations is reasonably justifiable for that purpose.