

Dispute Resolution Techniques: Law Society Arbitration Scheme and Court Dispute Resolution Process

Thursday, 30 July 2009, 1:30pm to 5:00pm
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SEMINAR OVERVIEW

Arbitration is a form of alternative dispute resolution (“ADR”) which is increasingly gaining prominence and popularity as a practice area for legal practitioners. Although arbitration of international commercial disputes enjoys a high profile, it also plays a significant role in resolving various domestic commercial disputes.

The Law Society Arbitration Scheme (“LSAS”) adds to the ADR infrastructure that businesses can utilise, while at the same time offering legal practitioners a new platform for their services. Practitioners will also be familiar with another form of ADR, which is initiated by the courts, namely mediation through the Court Dispute Resolution (“CDR”) process.

The LSAS and CDR are among initiatives taken with a common goal, to ensure that parties have an effective forum to address their grievances, and that access to such a forum is not discouraged by disproportionate costs and delay.

This seminar is unique in its combination of lectures and panel discussions. Informative lectures will touch on arbitration landscape and principles. In addition, participants will have the rare privilege of hearing a panel comprising judges and arbitrators share perspectives and tips on arbitration and mediation. The seminar also offers an opportunity to have “on the spot” responses to any burning questions a participant may have on arbitration or mediation from our panel of experts. The seminar will also explore learning points and possible pitfalls in the conduct of ADR.

Anyone with an interest in ADR, whether it is arbitration or the CDR process, is encouraged to attend. Those contemplating ADR as a new practice area will have much to gain, while those already practising in this area will enjoy the perspectives offered from both bench and bar on the subject.

SEMINAR OUTLINE

1.00pm – 1.30pm	Registration
1.30pm – 1.45pm	Welcome Address <i>Mr Chan Leng Sun, Partner, Ang & Partners</i>
1.45pm – 2.00pm	Arbitration: A New Market for Lawyers <i>Mr Naresh Mahtani, Consultant, ATMD Bird & Bird LLP</i>
2.00pm – 2.40pm	Arbitration Law and Practice (Overview) <i>Mr Eric Chew, Director, Archilex Law Corporation</i> <i>Mr Timothy Ng, Sole Proprietor, Timothy Ng & Co</i>
2.40pm – 3.00pm	Law Society Arbitration Scheme <i>Mr Lawrence Teh, Partner, Rodyk & Davidson LLP</i>
3.00pm – 3.20pm	Tea Break
3.20pm – 5.00pm	Panel Discussion Chairperson: <i>Mr Michael Hwang SC</i> Panellists: <i>Senior District Judge Tan Siong Thye, Subordinate Courts of Singapore</i> <i>District Judge Leslie Chew, Subordinate Courts of Singapore</i> <i>Mr Ho Chien Mien, Partner, Allen and Gledhill LLP</i>



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ABOUT THE SPEAKERS

Mr Chan Leng Sun, Partner, Ang & Partners

Leng Sun is admitted to practice in Malaysia (1989), Singapore (1993) and England (1997). He has been a partner in Ang & Partners since 1995. Leng Sun is the Chairman of the ADR Committee of the Singapore Law Society. He is a Fellow of the Singapore Institute of Arbitrators, the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and the Malaysian Institute of Arbitrators. Leng Sun sits as an arbitrator and adjudicator on the panel of various institutions.

Mr Naresh Mahtani, Consultant, ATMD Bird & Bird LLP

Naresh was one of the founding partners of Alban Tay Mahtani & de Silva LLP (now known as ATMD Bird & Bird LLP). He has been in legal practice for over 27 years and is currently a Consultant at the firm with an active practice in dispute resolution and construction law.

He has been appointed as Adjudicator in construction claim disputes and as Arbitrator and Arbitration Counsel in major construction and international arbitrations involving construction and commercial disputes in the building & construction industry and oil & gas industry in Singapore, Indonesia, Malaysia and United States of America.

He is a Fellow of the Singapore Institute of Arbitrators and the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators.

Mr Eric Chew, Director, Archilex Law Corporation

Eric practices in civil and commercial dispute resolution which includes litigation, mediation and arbitration. He was conferred the Graduate Certificate in International Arbitration by the National University of Singapore in 2007 and was also awarded the Singapore International Arbitration Centre's Prize for Best Student in Law & Practice that year. He is also a Fellow of the chartered, Singapore and Malaysian Institutes of Arbitrators and has arbitrated in Willem C Vis (East) International Commercial Arbitration Moots.

Mr Timothy Ng, Sole Proprietor, Timothy Ng & Co

Timothy practises commercial arbitration/litigation focusing principally on construction and engineering disputes, both locally and in the region. He has acted for and against professionals in the construction industry in disciplinary hearings. His portfolio of non-contentious work involves drafting and vetting consultancy and other construction and infrastructure related contracts.

Mr Lawrence Teh, Partner (Litigation & Arbitration), Rodyk & Davidson LLP

Lawrence graduated from Queen Mary College, University of London in 1991. He was admitted as Barrister (Inner Temple) England & Wales in 1992 and as Advocate and Solicitor in Singapore in 1994.

Lawrence deals in a wide scope of commercial cases including shipping, aviation, banking, international trade, construction and engineering, and investment disputes. He appears regularly as leading counsel in the Singapore Courts and in arbitration and mediation sessions. He is the chairman of the Civil Practice Committee of the Law Society of Singapore and the chairman of the sub-committee who drafted the Singapore Law Society's arbitration rules. He is also a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CIArb).

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