



TAMING THE UNRULY BEAST

- TECHNIQUES FOR MANAGING COMPLEX CONSTRUCTION DISPUTES

Monday, 26 March 2012, 5.00-7.00pm
Maxwell Chambers, 32 Maxwell Road, Level 3, Singapore 069115

About this Seminar:-

At this joint seminar by SCL (Singapore) and a visiting Bar Council delegation of barristers from the UK, construction barristers Roger ter Haar QC, Jeremy Nicholson QC, Andrew Noble and Adrian Hughes QC (Chairman of the UK SCL 2010/2011) will review some of the solutions being adopted by courts and tribunals to tackle difficulties inherent in complex document heavy construction disputes.

Pre-action procedures, control of scope through issues and pleadings, management of disclosure including the complexities of e-disclosure and changing approaches to expert evidence will be some of the aspects considered by the speakers with a view to stimulating an exchange of ideas and experience as to ways in which common problems are currently being addressed in both Singapore and the UK.

Seminar Programme:-

5.00 - 5.30pm	Registrations & Networking for Delegates
5.30 - 5.40pm	Opening Remarks by Seminar Chairperson - <i>Mr. Paul Sandosham FCI Arb, FSI Arb – Chair, Professional Development Committee; Partner, WongPartnership LLP</i>
5.40 - 6.45pm	<i>Taming the Unruly Beast - Techniques for Managing Complex Construction Disputes</i> - <i>Mr. Adrian Hughes QC</i> - <i>Mr. Jeremy Nicholson QC</i> - <i>Mr. Andrew Noble</i> - <i>Mr. Roger ter Haar QC</i>
6.45 - 7.00pm	Q&A Session

About the Speakers:-

Mr. Adrian Hughes QC – Essex Chambers

Adrian spent 5 years in the Royal Navy before starting at the Bar. He now practises construction and commercial law from 39 Essex Street chambers in London. He was appointed Queen's Counsel in 2006. His core practice involves construction and engineering work but he also handles a wide variety of international and domestic commercial work including energy, shipping, trade, insurance and financial services. Much of his work has an international element. He has a longstanding connection with China and other parts of Asia and frequently undertakes international arbitration and dispute resolution work for parties from China, Hong Kong, Singapore and Malaysia. He sits as a Recorder in the UK and as Arbitrator, Adjudicator and Mediator on international disputes. He is a member of various arbitration panels including the Foreign Arbitrators Panel of CIETAC. He also chairs and sits on Dispute Boards for international construction and infrastructure projects. Adrian was Chairman of the United Kingdom Society of Construction Law during 2010/2011 and he continues as a Council member with responsibility for international affairs.

Mr. Jeremy Nicholson QC, FCI Arb

Jeremy Nicholson is a barrister and arbitrator specialising in construction, professional negligence, insurance and other commercial disputes. He has an outstanding track record in achieving successful conclusions to major and difficult cases. He is known for mastery of technical detail and legal argument, lateral thinking, strategic advice, and team leadership in large and complex disputes in the UK and overseas.

He has experience of many different projects: including airports; bridges, tunnels & docks; offshore oil & gas; power stations & waterworks; materials handling and other plant; air conditioning systems; IT systems; offices, retail, warehouses, factories, hospitals, stadiums, cinemas and housing.



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Mr. Andrew Noble LLB [Hons] (Man.), FRICS, FCI Arb - Enterprise Chambers

Andrew Noble is an experienced user-friendly Barrister at law (Lawyer & Advocate). Prior to training and practicing as a barrister, Andrew initially trained and practiced as a chartered quantity surveyor. In 1992 he transferred to the Bar. As an Advocate, Andrew regularly appears in the High Court (Chancery & QBD (TCC) divisions) and in Construction Arbitrations. He is experienced as a Chartered Arbitrator and regularly acts in that capacity as well as acting as a construction adjudicator and as mediator. Internationally, Andrew's recent experience includes advising on some of the largest JV construction and energy projects in South East Asia (Singapore), the Middle East (Dubai & Abu Dhabi), and in Africa (Egypt), (mostly) based upon FIDIC red or yellow book contracts or ad hoc EPC conditions of Contract (as appropriate) including on time (delay prolongation & disruption), delay damages and compensation claims. He is familiar with International Energy & Construction Contracts including FIDIC (Red and Yellow books) and bespoke energy agreements, EPC agreements, Umbrella agreements, as well as JV agreements and contracts arising out of those contracts including subcontracts, warranties, construction bonds etc.

Mr. Roger ter Haar QC - Crown Office Chambers

Roger ter Haar was called to the Bar of England and Wales in 1974 and has practised from chambers at 2 Crown Office Row Temple (now Crown Office Chambers) since 1975. He has also been called to the Bars of Gibraltar and Ireland and (on an ad hoc basis) of Hong Kong. He was made a Q.C. in 1992. His practice includes construction and engineering cases, insurance and reinsurance, and professional negligence. He sits as a Deputy Judge in the English High Court and as a Recorder (a part time judge in the English Court System), as an arbitrator and as a TECBAR accredited adjudicator. He is co-editor of the 2nd Edition of Construction Insurance and UK Construction Contracts (Informa Publications: 2008) and co-author with his daughter, Camilla ter Haar, of Remedies in Construction Law (Informa Publications: 2010).

About the Chairperson:-

Mr. Paul Sandosham FCI Arb, FSI Arb – Chair, Professional Development Committee; Partner, WongPartnership LLP

Paul is a Partner in the Litigation & Dispute Resolution Practice of WongPartnership LLP and co-heads the firm's Middle East Practice. He focuses on disputes in the energy, infrastructure, construction, engineering and real estate sectors and has been involved in projects in numerous jurisdictions including Singapore, Malaysia, Indonesia, UAE, Qatar, KSA, Vietnam, India, Mauritius and Maldives. Paul is recognised as a leading arbitration and construction lawyer and has been commended in several legal publications including *Global Arbitration Review's 100*, *the Legal 500: Europe, Middle East & Africa*, and *Asian Legal Business*. He is currently a council member of the Society of Construction Law and chair of its professional development committee. He is also a director of The Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (Singapore) Ltd.

REGISTRATION CLOSING DATE: <u>19 March 2012</u>	FEES (includes refreshments & materials, if any)
SCL (Singapore) Members	S\$35.00
Guests of SCL Members, Members of international SCLs, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (Singapore) Ltd (CI Arb), Chartered Institute of Building (CIOB), Singapore Contractors Association Ltd (SCAL), Singapore Institute of Architects (SIA), Singapore Institute of Arbitrators (SI Arb), Singapore Institute of Surveyors and Valuers (SISV), Full-time students & Faculty of NUS Law Faculty	S\$70.00
Others	S\$90.00



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