

[Webinar] SAL Annual Review of 2019 Cases on Building and Construction Law






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10.30am - 12.00pm
Webinar

Synopsis

The Courts have in 2019, issued a variety of authoritative decisions in the building and construction sphere. Our presenters will highlight these decisions which dealt with letter of award and incorporation of terms, a consultant's liability for fitness for purpose, time set at large and liquidated damages, damages claim for loss of opportunity and issues in construction defects and performance bond. Of particular interest for the construction industry would be the Court of Appeal decision of PEX International Pte Ltd v Lim Seng Chye ("PEX International") which made some important observations on the tort of nuisance and the rule in Rylands and Fletcher.

Programme

10.00AM	Participants to log in to Webinar
10.30AM	Presentation on 2019 cases by Mr Christopher Chuah, Mr Mohan Pillay and Mr Chow Kok Fong
	Panel Discussion / Q&A
11.30AM	Moderator: Mr Darren Bengier Panellists: Mr Christopher Chuah Mr Mohan Pillay Mr Chow Kok Fong
12.00PM	End of Session

 Webinar	LIFTED by 	1.5 PUBLIC CPD POINTS
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Speakers



Mr Christopher Chuah
Wongpartnership LLP

Christopher Chuah heads the Infrastructure, Construction & Engineering Practice and is a Partner in the International Arbitration, China and Myanmar Practices. In January 2018, Christopher was amongst the inaugural batch of select practitioners to be appointed Senior Accredited Specialist in Building and Construction Law by the Singapore Academy of Law with many years of experience in adjudication.

He was amongst the first batch of adjudicators to be accredited under the SOP Act and a member of the Construction Adjudication Accreditation Committee and coeditor of the Singapore Construction Adjudication Review.

Christopher has also acted as leading counsel in many landmark construction cases.

He is also an adjunct Professor in Construction Law at the Law Faculty of the National University of Singapore.



Mr Mohan Pillay
Pinsent Masons
Partner & Head of Pinsent Masons MPillay LLP

Mohan Pillay is the Head of Office of Pinsent Masons MPillay LLP, and jointly qualified in Singapore, and England & Wales. He has over 30 years' experience in international arbitration, commercial litigation and advisory work, particularly in construction and engineering projects. He has appeared as Lead Counsel, both before arbitration tribunals, as well as the High Court and Court of Appeal in Singapore.

Mohan is a Chartered Arbitrator and has been appointed Arbitrator (both sole and presiding) in domestic and international matters. He is a Founding Fellow of the International Academy of Construction Lawyers, and a past co-Chair of the Dispute Resolution & Arbitration Committee of the Inter Pacific Bar Association (2014 – 2018). His past appointments include President of the Singapore Institute of Arbitrators (SI Arb) and Chairman, Society of Construction Law, (Singapore). He was in the first batch of Senior Accredited Specialists in Building and Construction Law accredited by the Singapore Academy of Law in 2018.

His current teaching appointments include Course Director of Construction Law 101, a series of evening workshops to introduce legal principles of construction law organised by the SCL. His past teaching appointments have included Adjunct Associate Professor, Faculty of Law, National University of Singapore (2003 – 2011) and Visiting Professor, Centre of Construction Law, King's College London (2005 – 2011).

Mohan is the General Editor of the Singapore Arbitration Journal, a twice yearly publication of SI Arb launched in 2019, copublished with the Singapore Academy of Law. He is also one of the General Editors of Singapore Construction Adjudication Review. He is (together with Toh Chen Han) co-author of "The SICC Handbook – A Guide to the Rules and Procedures of the Singapore International Commercial Court" (Sweet & Maxwell, 2016). He is also one of the chapter authors for the Singapore Academy of Law Annual Review of Singapore Cases' chapter on building and construction law.



Mr Chow Kok Fong
Equitas Chambers
Managing Director

Chow Kok Fong is a Chartered Arbitrator and currently practises as a mediator, arbitrator and adjudicator. He was previously CEO of Changi Airports International and of the Construction Industry Development Board and has held many other senior appointments with several large real estate and construction companies. During his career in the real estate sector, his projects garnered 17 awards, including the FIABCI Prix d'Excellence. His tenure at Changi Airports International, also saw his team conferred the accolade Airport Investor of the Year 2008.

As an arbitrator and mediator he has presided in matters from the Singapore International Arbitration Centre, Singapore Mediation Centre, International Chamber of Commerce, Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre, Asian International Arbitration Centre and UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules. He is Founder President of the Society of Project Managers and past Chairman of the Society of Construction Law. Currently, he chairs the Construction Adjudicators Accreditation Committee of the Singapore Mediation Centre.

He has authored 18 books including the two-volume work Law and Practice of Construction Contracts (5th edition 2018) and Security of Payments and Construction Adjudication (1st and 2nd editions), Security of Payments and Construction Adjudication (2nd edition 2013), Construction Contracts Dictionary (2nd Edition 2014), Commentary on Singapore SIA Standard Form (2013); Commentary on the REDAS Standard Form (2014) and Commentary on the PSSCOC (2015). He is Founding General Editor of the Singapore Construction Adjudication Review and Singapore Journal of Construction Law.

On 1 November 2013, he was awarded the quinquennial Singapore Academy of Law Award 2013 for contributions in promoting and advancing the development of Singapore law. In 2018, he was conferred a National Day Award for services to the Singapore Academy of Law.

Moderator



Mr Darren Benger

VivATA Pte Ltd
Managing Director

Darren received his Bachelor of Architecture degree with First Class Honours from the University of Adelaide, Australia in 1995, and registered with the Board of Architects, Singapore in 2001.

Since 1996 Darren has resided in Singapore, and he is currently the Managing Director of VivATA Pte Ltd, an architectural practice.

Darren's involvement in the Singapore Institute of Architects includes election to Council for the 2007/08 to 2020/21 terms, and he has actively participated in various SIA committees.

He has been involved in the SIA Building Contracts Committee since 2007 and the ADR Committee since 2008, currently as chair. He is also listed on SIA's panels of arbitrators and expert determinators.

Since 2010 Darren has served as SIA's representative to the WSH Council (Construction & Landscape) Committee and participated in its regulation-writing 'Design for Safety (Dfs)' sub-committee.

Darren has contributed to the BOA/SIA Architectural Practice Course as a trainer since 2008, including to lecture on the SIA Building Contract 2016 since 2019, and to the building contracts part of the Architectural Practice module for the National University of Singapore - Department of Architecture since 2009.

Darren is also on the Council of the Society of Construction Law, Singapore since 2010/11, its chairman in 2014-16 term, and is a Fellow member of the Singapore Institute of Arbitrators. Darren received the Graduate Certificate in International Arbitration from the National University of Singapore in 2008.

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