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# SPM WEBINAR SERIES 2022/1

# **Construction Arbitration: Recent Updates & Developments**

19 January 2022, Wednesday 3pm to 6pm ZOOM

## Attendees will be awarded 4 CPD points by SPM

## About the speaker, Ms Yvonne Foo



YVONNE FOO is a construction lawyer based in Singapore, working alongside contractors on construction projects in Singapore, South-East Asia and the Middle East. She is a partner in the construction and engineering practice group of Singapore-based law firm, Harry Elias

Partnership LLP, and is also a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and an Associate Mediator at the Singapore Mediation Centre.

Yvonne is experienced in handling large-scale and complex construction arbitrations involving international parties.

Having practised and spent a significant period of time in the Middle East, Yvonne developed a keen appreciation of the differences between civil and common law approaches, and among stakeholders coming from various cultural backgrounds. She also takes a particular interest in internationally used contract forms such as the FIDIC.

Yvonne speaks regularly on issues of construction law and international arbitration, and has contributed to book publications on these topics, including the recently published "FIDIC Contracts in Asia Pacific: A Practical Guide to Application".

#### Who Should Attend?

Developers, Project Managers, Architects, Engineers, Quantity Surveyors, Contract Managers and Contractors.

#### Topic:

Recent Updates & Developments on Construction Arbitration

#### **Synopsis of Topic:**

- 1. Introduction to using arbitration as an effective dispute resolution mechanism for resolving construction disputes
- 2. Recent updates regarding construction arbitration
  - a. COVID-related trends
  - b. Key updates to the ICC Rules
  - c. Changes in Singapore Third Party Funding & Conditional Fee Arrangements
- 3. Notable recent case law
  - a. Validity of arbitration agreements (Cheung Teck Cheong Richard and others v LVND Investments Pte Ltd [2021] SGCA 77 & Silverlink Resorts Ltd v MS First Capital Insurance Ltd [2020] SGHC 251)
  - b. Determining the scope of arbitration (CDM and another v CDP [2021] SGCA 45 & CAJ and another v CAI and another appeal [2021] SGCA 102)
  - Suing the correct party (National Oilwell Varco Norway AS (formerly known as Hydralift AS) v Keppel FELS Ltd (formerly known as Far East Levingston Shipbuilding Ltd) [2021] SGHC 124)
  - d. Breaches of the fair hearing rule and its impact on the validity of the arbitral award (BZV v BZW and another [2021] SGHC 60 and CBS v CBP [2021] SGCA 4)
  - Liquidated damages clauses penalty or enforceable? (Denka Advantech Pte Ltd and another v Seraya Energy Pte Ltd and another and other appeals [2020] SGCA 119)
  - f. No oral modification clauses merely raise a rebuttable presumption that in the absence of an agreement in writing, there would be no variation? (Charles Lim Teng Siang and another v Hong Choon Hau and another [2021] SGCA 43)

## **Learning Objectives:**

- To gain latest updates on various aspects of construction arbitration.
- To understand the recent case law developments which are relevant to construction arbitrations.



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