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Richard Tan, Chartered Arbitrator, FCI Arb

Mr Richard TAN is a national of Singapore and practices as a full time arbitrator.

He is qualified to practise law in Singapore, England and Wales. He was called to the Singapore bar in 1980 and has had 38 years' experience in the law. He is a Chartered Arbitrator (UK Chartered Institute of Arbitrators), a Fellow of the CI Arb and a Fellow of the Singapore Institute of Arbitrators.

Prior to retiring from active legal practice to become a full time arbitrator, he was a senior partner in a leading Singapore law firm and also head of the South Asia arbitration practice group of an international law firm. He is presently also a consultant to Morgan Lewis Stamford in Singapore.

He is regarded as a leading Asian arbitrator and has served as sole arbitrator, party-appointed arbitrator and chairman or president of arbitral tribunals, as well as an emergency arbitrator, in numerous international arbitrations. He has been appointed in arbitrations under various institutional rules, including the SIAC, ICC, AAA/ICDR, HKIAC, LCIA rules as well as in ad hoc arbitrations and is on the arbitration panels of many regional and international arbitral bodies including the WIPO Arbitration and Mediation Center, American Arbitration Association/ICDR, Singapore International Arbitration Centre, Korean Commercial Arbitration Board, National Board of Arbitration Indonesia (BANI), the Kuala Lumpur Regional Centre of Arbitration, the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, the Singapore Law Society, SIAC-Singapore Stock Exchange-Derivatives Trading, the Singapore Contractors Association, the Singapore Institute of Architects and others. He is also on the WIPO Arbitration and Mediation Centre panels for domain name, film and media, FRAND and AGICOA disputes and on the SMC panel for domain name disputes under the Singapore Domain Name Dispute Resolution Policy. He is on the SIAC and HKIAC panels of arbitrators for emergency relief and specialist IP panels.

He has extensive experience in arbitration and dispute resolution work in Asia and internationally, involving construction and engineering, commercial, energy, joint ventures, shareholders agreements, corporate, technology, intellectual property, media and entertainment law. His work has involved arbitrations under the substantive or procedural laws of Singapore, Malaysia, PRC, Hongkong, Indonesia, India, Bangladesh, Vietnam, Thailand, Myanmar, Brunei, Korea, Japan, Philippines, Mauritius, New Caledonia, Australia, many countries in Europe as well as the Middle East and the United States of America.



Camilla Godman, Regional Director, CI Arb Asia Pacific

Camilla joined CI Arb in June 2015 as Regional Director for Asia Pacific.

Camilla is an arbitration lawyer (qualifying in London in 2004) and was a senior associate in the Ashurst Singapore disputes team until 2012. She moved to Singapore in 2008. Camilla was Deputy Registrar at the Singapore International Arbitration Centre (SIAC) in 2012/2013 where, amongst others, she managed a record number of emergency arbitrations and was heavily involved in establishing and implementing the 5th edition of SIAC Rules (effective 1 April 2013).

She has extensive experience in international arbitration and specifically in construction and commercial disputes. She was seconded to a Japanese trading company, working on various projects throughout the Asia-Pacific region. She also has mediation experience.

Camilla is responsible for overseeing the strategic development of CI Arb in Asia Pacific. Camilla works closely with the active branch network in the region in the delivery of member and educational services. She seeks to identify new opportunities for CI Arb to strengthen engagement with members and the ADR community. Camilla is committed to the growth of ADR and to its enormous benefits.

Camilla is a CI Arb tutor and regularly teaches on CI Arb courses. She is also a CI Arb Regional Pathway Leader and monitors delivery of CI Arb courses within the APAC region to ensure standards and quality is maintained. She leads on Education and Training local relationships with the ADR community and its audiences.

Camilla has three young children and escapes for a long run whenever she can.



Amanda Lees, Partner, Simmons & Simmons JWS Pte Ltd

Amanda is a partner in the Dispute Resolution group in our Singapore office and specialises in cross border dispute resolution through international arbitration and complex multi-forum litigation. She has experience acting in international arbitrations in Asia and Australia and related stay, anti-suit and anti-arbitration applications. Amanda also sits as an arbitrator in commodities and commercial disputes. She is listed in Best Lawyers for international arbitration.

She is adept at using alternative dispute resolution, such as mediation and expert determination.

Amanda has acted in commercial disputes across a range of business and industry sectors, including energy and resources, commodities, construction, banking and finance, insurance and reinsurance, telecommunications, manufacturing and consumer goods industries.

Amanda also has substantial experience of drafting and advising on dispute resolution provisions in complex contracts, including arbitration provisions, ICSID clauses, sovereign immunity clauses, jurisdiction clauses and expert determination clauses. She advises clients in Asia on compliance with anti-bribery legislation, including the UK Bribery Act 2010.



Edmund Kronenburg, Managing Partner, Braddell Brothers LLP

Edmund Kronenburg began his career at Drew & Napier in 1997, and is today the Managing Partner of Braddell Brothers LLP, Singapore's third-oldest law practice, founded in 1883 by the sons of Singapore's first Attorney-General.

He appears as counsel in trials and appeals before the Singapore courts, as well as in international commercial arbitrations, predominantly conducted under the SIAC, ICC and UNCITRAL Rules. He also sits as an arbitrator; his recent appointments include tribunals seated in Indonesia (BANI) and Vietnam (VIAC).

The Legal 500 Asia-Pacific guide has described Edmund as "aggressive", "articulate", "good strategist", "trusted confidant", "good advocate" and "best in class", as well as having a "flair for arbitration".

Chambers & Partners' (Asia-Pacific, Global) guides have reported that he is "very practical and smart lawyer"; "... a top-notch lawyer who comes up with comprehensive and pragmatic advice"; "... valued by clients, not only "because we need his knowledge and experience in the law, but more than that, because he is streetwise"; "... a deeply experienced litigator who is well versed in commercial disputes and provides sound advice to his clients"; and "... impresses clients with his strategic approach. One source comments: 'He has the ability to think beyond the conventional and has brilliant ideas in terms of legal strategy.'"

Edmund's practice areas include Corporate and Commercial Litigation & Arbitration, Medical Negligence, Employment, Cross-Border Family Litigation, Corporate Insolvency and Injunctions. In the past 5 years, he and his team have been instructed on a variety of Mareva / Freezing Injunction matters with a combined value exceeding USD 1 billion.

Other solicitors have instructed Edmund to act as Counsel. He is privileged to have appeared opposite various Senior Counsel since 2006, and against Queen's Counsel, successfully, in an arbitration-related matter before the Singapore High Court in 2012.

Hop Dang, Chairman, VBLC [Pending profile]



Michael Lee, Vice President, ICDR and AAA

As a head of ICDR/AAA's Asia office in Singapore, Mr. Lee is in charge of the Association's Asia region operation including China, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Korea, Japan, India, Malaysia, Vietnam, and many more. Primarily, Mr. Lee oversees the entire operation of the Association's Asia office and leads the Association's efforts in cultivating ties and developing business opportunities.

Mr. Lee is also in charge of many ICDR/AAA educational programs for the corporate counsel, the Association's international panel of neutrals, and practicing attorneys in Asia region. For the corporate counsel, Mr. Lee regularly speaks on educational programs such as conferences, seminars and workshops to share findings on different research projects on dispute management and business negotiation and to explain the Association's comprehensive rules and process.

For the Association's panel of neutrals, Mr. Lee is on the Association's annual internal review board as a part of continuing effort to maintain the highest qualified panel of neutrals. Mr. Lee is also charged with the ICDR/AAA International Symposium for arbitrators in Asia region to train additional panel members and to constantly update existing arbitrators with any new development. Mr. Lee also speaks regularly on the Association's rules and administrative process to practicing attorneys to provide them with necessary tools and knowledge of the ICDR/AAA process.

Through his experience as an international case manager at ICDR/AAA New York office, Mr. Lee hopes to benefit Asia legal community with his first-hand experience and knowledge of its Rules and procedures. Mr. Lee is a NY attorney with LL.M. degree in International Commercial Arbitration from Stockholm University Law School in Sweden and J.D. degree from St. Thomas University Law School in Florida.

Mr. Lee has been serving as a Chair of Legal Committee for AMCHAM (American Chamber of Commerce) Singapore since 2009.



Pauline Low, Associate Counsel, SIAC

Pauline holds an LL.B. (Hons) from University of Malaya. Prior to joining SIAC, Pauline interned at an international oil and gas company, and was subsequently an associate in the Dispute Resolution Group of a top-tier law firm in Malaysia. She is admitted as an Advocate and Solicitor of the Malaysian Bar.

Pauline is fluent in English and Bahasa Malaysia.



Chiara Accornero, Associate Legal Officer, IP Disputes Section, WIPO Arbitration and Mediation Center (Singapore Office)

Chiara Accornero, a national of Italy, holds a Master of Laws from the University of Turin and a Certificate in Transnational Law from the University of Geneva. Before joining the WIPO Arbitration and Mediation Center in Geneva in 2016, she worked in a Turin-based law firm in the areas of intellectual property and contract law. Chiara is currently the representative of the WIPO Center at Maxwell Chambers in Singapore.

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