



Evening Seminar

Third party funding for construction arbitrations: is it really a thing?

Tuesday, 13 August 2019

Our new Chairman, Ashley Howlett, on behalf of the Society of Construction Law Hong Kong, cordially invites you to an evening seminar to be held on **Tuesday 13 August 2019** at the **Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre**.

This presentation will be given by **Julian Cohen** MA (Oxon), FCI Arb, Barrister and Arbitrator, Gilt Chambers, Hong Kong. **Quentin Pak** from Burford Capital and **Tom Glasgow** from IMF Bentham International Litigation Funding will also join the panel.

The talk will consider how, and to what extent, third party funding of arbitration is affecting domestic and international construction disputes in Hong Kong. Our panel will explore some of the unique features of construction disputes (in contrast to many other commercial disputes) and consider whether these present opportunities or obstacles for third party funding to take off. We will also hear from representatives from two funders, and what they are looking for when deciding whether to put their money behind your construction claims.

About the speakers:

Julian Cohen has more than 25 years of specialist experience of heavyweight international construction disputes, and also international commercial arbitrations. Sums in dispute in his cases vary from small to in excess of USD 2 billion. He has been involved in disputes Hong Kong, and throughout, Asia Pacific, the Middle East and Europe. In addition to acting as counsel, he also regularly sits as an arbitrator in Hong Kong and the Middle East. He was called to the Bar in England in 1990 and joined the Construction and Engineering Department of Pinsent Masons in 1993. He moved to Hong Kong in 1998 with the firm, eventually leaving as a Partner in 2009. He started his practice at the Hong Kong Bar in 2010. Julian writes and teaches regularly on construction law issues, arbitration, and advocacy. He is an assessor on all CI Arb courses in Hong Kong. He is also a member of the SCL in both Hong Kong and Dubai.

Quentin Pak is a director responsible for running Burford's office in Singapore and expanding Burford's presence in Asia. Quentin joins Burford with 20 years of experience in finance and law, most recently as Head of Commodities (Asia) at Commonwealth Bank of Australia in Singapore.

Tom Glasgow is the Chief Investment Officer (Asia) based in Singapore. Tom leads the Asian investment activities and business expansion for IMF Bentham. He is responsible for assessing and managing funded cases and portfolios throughout Asia, including arbitration, litigation and insolvency claims.

Venue: Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre, 38/F, Two Exchange Square, Central, Hong Kong

Date / Time: Tuesday 13 August 2019; 6:00 pm for 6:30 pm

Cost: Free for exempt members; HK\$100 for basic members; HK\$200 for non-members (including refreshments)

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