

# 11 - 13 January 2012

## Hong Kong



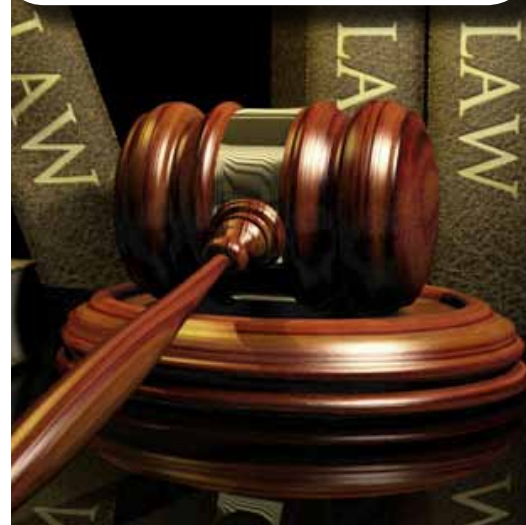
### CONFERENCE SESSIONS COVER:

- Hong Kong's Legal System & Services – The International Dimensions
- The Hong Kong Legal System
- Australia as a Source of Hong Kong Law
- The Hong Kong High Court's Construction & Arbitration List
- Mediation & Arbitration in the Region – An Australian Perspective
- An Overview of Arbitration & Mediation in the Greater China and North Asian Region
- Mediation & Arbitration in the Region – Focus SE Asia
- The Role of the International Business Lawyer in Hong Kong – Banking, Financial Services & Commerce
- The Role of the International Business Lawyer in Hong Kong – Construction, Real Estate & Property
- The Long Reach of the US Securities Legislation
- The Practice of International Mediation – An Australian Perspective
- The Interface between ADR and the Courts in Australia
- Opening the Mediation Window in the Arbitration House: Emerging Themes in Cross-Border ADR
- Arbitration
- Keynote Address: The Honourable Sir Laurence Street AC KCMG QC
- Challenges to the Appointment of Arbitrators
- The In-House Counsel Perspective – Mediations
- The Advocate's Perspective
- Australia & SE Asian ADR Resources
- The Australian Perspective
- The International Lawyer in Hong Kong

*During the program, delegates will also be hosted at two Specialist Meetings of their choice with major legal firms in Hong Kong and hear from international guest speakers at the ALMA 2012 Conference Functions.*

### THE EVENT

ALMA 2012 is an educational and networking opportunity for Australian, South East Asian and International legal professionals interested in capturing opportunities in the lucrative Asian mediation and arbitration business. The event will include conference sessions delivered by local and international experts and opportunities to develop relationships with members of the Australian, Hong Kong, SE Asian and UK legal fraternity, solicitors and corporate professionals.



### VENUE & ACCOMMODATION

The proposed venue is the 5 star Conrad Hotel, centrally located to the legal community of Hong Kong. Venue to be confirmed in September and registered delegates will be advised. An accommodation package will also be offered for confirmed venue with conference rates. Please indicate your interest to receive accommodation details where indicated at registration.

### CPD POINTS

One point per hour, to a maximum of 6 CPD points. Barristers can allocate point(s) to the most appropriate strand or strands.

### SPONSOR OPPORTUNITIES

Limited sponsor opportunities are available. Please contact the organisers for further information.

### FURTHER INFORMATION

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- Early Bird – Registrations prior to 15 August 2011 / AUD **\$2,995**
- General – Registrations 15 August to 3 October 2011 / AUD **\$3,495**
- Late – Registrations after 3 October 2011 / AUD **\$3,995**

Full details of costs and inclusions, including partner social function tickets and GST exemption, available on the website.

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## CURRENT CONFIRMED SPEAKERS IN ORDER OF APPEARANCE

**Mr Wong Yan Lung SC JP** - Secretary for Justice, Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China

**Dr Gerard McCoy QC** - Member of the Australian, UK, HK, NZ & Fiji Bar; Professor of Law, City University Hong Kong

**The Hon Justice Kemal Bokhary** - Court of Final Appeal Hong Kong

**Mr Justice Reyes** - Judge of the Court of First Instance of the High Court

**Mr Robert J Ellicott QC** - Former Commonwealth Solicitor General and Attorney General; Former Judge of the Federal Court of Australia. Current Judge of the Court of Arbitration for Sport

**Ms Kim Rooney** - International Arbitrator; Hong Kong Barrister, West Australian Barrister & Solicitor, English Solicitor, Chair of ICC Hong Kong Arbitration Committee

**Mr Matthew Skinner** - Partner and Head of SE Asian Dispute Resolution Practice, Allens Arthur Robinson, Singapore

**Mr Martin Rogers** - Head of Litigation & Dispute Resolution, Clifford Chance Hong Kong

**Mr Paul Starr** - Partner & Practice Team Leader in Asia for Construction & Dispute Resolution Malleons Stephen Jacques

**Mr David Chu** - Partner, Head of Asian Litigation Practice, Dechert

**The Hon Mr Trevor Morling QC** - Former Judge of the Federal Court of Australia; Chairman Australian International Disputes Centre

**Mr Richard Burbidge QC** - Appointed silk in 1979 and continues to practise throughout Australia and overseas. He has conducted cases in the UK, USA, Fiji, Thailand, Philippines and Hong Kong.

**Professor Nadja Alexander** - International Mediator; Professor of Law, City University of Hong Kong; Author

**Professor Doug Jones AM** - Partner, Clayton Utz; President Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (London); President, Australian Centre for International Commercial Arbitration; Vice President, Asia Pacific Regional Arbitration Group

**The Honourable Sir Laurence Street AC KCMG QC** - Former Chief Justice and Lieutenant Governor of New South Wales; Founding Chairman of International Legal Services Advisory Council; National Patron of Hong Kong Australia Business Association and International Mediator

**Mr Russell Coleman SC** - Former Chairman of the Hong Kong Bar Association

**Mr Bruce Collins QC** - Member Australian Bar; Specialist Commercial Arbitration; Member IOC Court of Arbitration for Sport

**Mr Eric Braun** - Solicitor & Former Special Counsel, Dispute Resolution, Telstra Corporation

**Mr Paul Menzies QC** - Member Australian Bar, LEADR Mediator; Chartered Institute of Arbitrators

**Mr Allan Myers AO QC** - Member Australian, UK and PNG Bar

**Mr Ian Lloyd QC** - Member Australian & HK Bar; Justice of the Court of Appeal Fiji, Former Crown Prosecutor Hong Kong

**Mr Colin Wright** - Member Hong Kong & UK Bar

**Mr Michael Thomas QC CMG** - Former Hong Kong Attorney General, Member UK & HK Bar

## HOSTED SPECIALIST MEETING SESSIONS

The morning of Day 2, delegates will choose two sessions and attend hosted meetings in the offices of Hong Kong law firms. Additional titles and hosts to be confirmed shortly. Current confirmed Hosts and subjects include:

- **Arbitration & Mediation** - Malleons Stephen Jacques
- **Investment Funds & Financial Services: HKSFC – ASIC Cooperation** - Dechert
- **Criminal Law** - Haldanes
- **Family Law** - Withers Worldwide
- **Banking & Financial Services** - Clifford Chance
- **Shipping & Maritime** - Ince & Co
- **Construction** - Hogan Lovells



**Wednesday 11 January 2012**

**Registration & Welcome Coffee: 7.30am – 8.30am**

**Conference Session #1: One Country – Two Systems / 8.30am – 10.25am**

**Mr David Thomas** – Conference Chair, ALMA 2012

**Mr Wong Yan Lung SC JP** – Secretary for Justice, Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China

**Dr Gerard McCoy QC** – Member Australian, UK, HK, NZ & Fiji Bar; Professor of Law, City University HK

**The Hon Justice Kemal Bokhary** – Court of Final Appeal Hong Kong

**Morning Tea: 10.25am – 10.45am**

- Welcome & Introduction to ALMA 2012
- Hong Kong's Legal System & Services – The International Dimensions
- Hong Kong's Legal System
- Australia as a Source of Hong Kong Law

**Conference Session #2: Mediation & Arbitration in Hong Kong & Asian Region / 10.45am – 1.00pm**

**Mr Justice Reyes** – Judge of the Court of First Instance of the High Court

**Mr Robert J Ellicott QC** – Former Commonwealth Solicitor General and Attorney General, Former Judge of the Federal Court of Australia; Current Judge of the Court of Arbitration for Sport

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**Mr Matthew Skinner** – Partner & Head of SE Asian Dispute Resolution Practice, Allens Arthur Robinson, Singapore

- The Hong Kong High Court's Construction & Arbitration List
- Mediation & Arbitration in the Region – An Australian Perspective
- An Overview of Mediation & Arbitration in the Greater China & North Asian Region
- Mediation & Arbitration in the Region – Focus on South East Asia

**Lunch: 1.00pm – 1.40pm**

**Conference Session #3: The Role of the International Business Lawyer in Hong Kong / 1.40pm – 2.50pm**

**Mr Martin Rogers** – Head of Litigation & Dispute Resolution, Clifford Chance Hong Kong

**Mr Paul Starr** – Partner & Practice Team Leader in Asia for Construction & Dispute Resolution, Mallesons Stephen Jacques

**Mr David Chu** – Partner, Head of Asian Litigation Practice, Dechert

**Afternoon Tea: 3.25pm – 3.45pm**

- Banking, Financial Services & Commerce
- Construction, Real Estate & Property
- The Long Reach of the US Securities Legislation

**Conference Session #4: International Mediation & Arbitration / 3.45pm – 5.00pm**

**The Hon Mr Trevor Morling QC** – Former Judge of the Federal Court of Australia; Chairman Australian International Disputes Centre

**Mr Richard J Burbidge QC** – Appointed silk in 1979 and continues to practise throughout Australia and overseas. He has conducted cases in the UK, USA, Fiji, Thailand, Philippines and Hong Kong.

**Mr David Thomas** – Conference Chair ALMA 2012

**ALMA 2012 / Welcome Cocktail Function: From 5.30pm**

- The Practice of International Mediation – An Australian Perspective
- The Interface between ADR and the Courts in Australia
- ALMA 2012 Day One – Closing Remarks

**Thursday 12 January 2012**

**9.00am: Shuttles to Appointments / Meeting Sessions in Offices of Participating Hong Kong Legal Firms & Associations**

**Hosted Meeting Session #1: Specialist Areas of Interest / 9.30am – 11.00am**

Arbitration & Mediation – Host: Mallesons Stephen Jacques

Criminal Law – Host: Haldanes

Additional Topics & Hosts TBA

Investment Funds & Financial Services: HKSC-ASIC Cooperation – Host: Dechert

Family Law – Host: Withers Worldwide

**11.00am: Shuttles to Appointments / Meeting Sessions in Offices of Participating Hong Kong Legal Firms & Associations**

**Hosted Meeting Session #2: Specialist Areas of Interest / 11.30am – 1.00pm**

Arbitration & Mediation – Host: Mallesons Stephen Jacques

Shipping & Maritime – Host: Ince & Co

Additional Topics & Hosts TBA

Banking & Financial Services – Host: Clifford Chance

Construction Law – Host: Hogan Lovells

**Lunch: 1.00pm – 2.00pm / Delegates are lunch guests of Firms Hosting Meeting Session #2 / 2.15pm: Return Shuttles to Conference Venue**

**Afternoon Tea: 2.30pm – 3.00pm**

**Conference Session #5 – International Mediation & Arbitration / 3.00pm – 5.30pm**

**Professor Nadja Alexander** – International Mediator; Professor of Law, City University Hong Kong, Author

**Professor Doug Jones AM** – Partner, Clayton Utz; President, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (London); President, ACICA; Vice President, Asia Pacific Regional Arbitration Group

**The Honourable Sir Laurence Street AC KCMG QC** – Former Chief Justice and Lieutenant Governor of New South Wales; Founding Chairman of International Legal Services Advisory Council; National Patron of Hong Kong Australia Business Association and International Mediator

**Mr David Thomas** – Conference Chair ALMA 2012

**ALMA 2012 / Conference Function: From 6.00pm**

**Mr Russell Coleman SC** – Former Chairman of the Hong Kong Bar Association

- Opening the Mediation Window in the Arbitration House: Emerging Themes in Cross-Border ADR Arbitration
- Keynote Address
- ALMA 2012 Day Two – Closing Remarks
- ALMA 2012 Conference Function Speaker

**Friday 13 January 2012**

**Welcome Coffee: 8.00am – 8.30am**

**Conference Session #6: International Mediation & Arbitration - The Issues Affecting Counsel / 8.30am – 10.45am**

**Mr David Thomas** – Conference Chair, ALMA 2012

**Mr Bruce Collins QC** – FCI Arb; Member, Australian Bar; Specialist in Commercial Arbitration; Member IOC Court of Arbitration for Sport

**Mr Eric Braun** – EMB Legal, Commercial Dispute Resolution Specialist, Former Special Counsel Dispute Resolution Telstra

**Mr Paul Menzies QC** – Member Australian Bar, LEADR Mediator, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators

**Resources & Supporters Presentations**

- **Professor Doug Jones AM** – President, Australian Centre for International Commercial Arbitration

**Morning Tea: 10.45am – 11.00am**

**Conference Session #7: International Mediation & Arbitration – The Australian Perspective / 11.00am – 1.00pm**

**Mr Allan Myers AO QC** – Member Australian, UK and PNG Bar

**Mr Ian Lloyd QC** – Member Australian & HK Bar, Justice of the Court of Appeal Fiji, Former Crown Prosecutor Hong Kong

**Mr Colin Wright** – Member Hong Kong & UK Bar

**Mr David Thomas** – Conference Chair, ALMA 2012

**Farewell Lunch: 1.00pm – 3.30pm**

**Mr Michael Thomas QC CMG** – Former Hong Kong Attorney General, Member UK & Hong Kong Bar

- ALMA 2012 Day Three – Opening Remarks
- Challenges to the Appointment of Arbitrators
- The In House Counsel Perspective – Mediations
- The Advocate's Perspective
- Supporter: ACICA Sydney
- The Australian Perspective
- The Australian Perspective
- The International Lawyer in Hong Kong
- ALMA 2012 Q&A / Conference Closing Remarks
- ALMA 2012 Farewell Lunch Keynote Speaker

**Conclusion of ALMA 2012**