

Course Title: The Law Society Contracts Masterclass 2016

Speakers:

Lecture 1: Transactional Practice - a View of the Future for the Singapore Lawyer

Alex Wong – Partner, Hogan Lovells Lee & Lee

Lecture 2: Contract Drafting - Execution of agreements and deeds (*including a discussion of section 41 of the Companies Act*) and restrictive covenants in employment contracts - drafting consideration in the light of what works

- Andrew Chan Partner, Allen & Gledhill LLP
- Tay Yong Seng Partner, Allen & Gledhill LLP

Session 4 – Overview of Construction Contracts

 Dr Philip Chan - Associate Professor,
 Department of Building, School of Design and Environment, National University of Singapore

Session 7 - Basics of Insolvency & Restructuring Agreements

- Ajinderpal Singh Partner (Litigation & Arbitration), Dentons Rodyk & Davidson LLP
- Tan Mei Yen Partner (Banking & Financial Disputes Practice), WongPartnership LLP
- Joshua Taylor Senior Managing Director, FTI Consulting

Session 5 - Demystifying IP Clauses in Contracts

Wendy Low – Partner (Intellectual Property, Sports & Gaming), Rajah & Tann Singapore LLP

Session 8 - Financing and Security Documents in Singapore

- Alvin Chia Partner (Banking & Finance),
 WongPartnership LLP
- Tan Li Wen Partner (Banking & Finance),
 WongPartnership LLP

Duration: Lectures 1 and 2 (150 minutes)

Session 4 (101 minutes)
Session 5 (100 minutes)
Session 7 (65 minutes)
Session 8 (74 minutes)

Course description: Proudly presented by the CPD Committee of The Law Society of Singapore, the "The Law Society Contracts Masterclass 2016" examined and discussed development and changes in transactional practice and documentation. With the evolving changes in all aspects of transactional practice, this programme aims to equip practitioners with working knowledge and insights on various aspects of commercial transactions, and practical knowledge on the interpretation and enforcement of contracts.

Lectures 1 and 2 focus on the future trends of transactional practice and contract drafting. Our seasoned legal practitioners will review the challenges and developments in transactional practice and how it impacts our transactional lawyers.

You may select from 4 specialized tracks: 1) Overview of Construction Contracts, 2) Basics of Insolvency and Restructuring Agreements, 3) Demystifying IP Clauses in Contracts and 4) Financing and Security Documents in Singapore which are conducted with emphasis on both practical and substantial issues arising in some of the key areas of practice for our lawyers.



About the speakers:



Alex Wong – Partner, Hogan Lovells Lee & Lee

(Lecture 1: Transactional Practice – a View of the Future for the Singapore Lawyer)

Alex is recognised as a leading lawyer by clients, peers and independent industry publications like Chambers and the Asia Pacific Legal 500.

He has many years of experience advising on construction, infrastructure and PPP projects in Singapore, Asia and the Middle East particularly in the power, water, utilities and transport sectors.

Alex is a regular speaker at conferences around the region, and is also a member of the adjunct faculty at the Singapore Management University teaching the legal and commercial principles of project finance and is Vice-Chairman of the Society of Construction Law (Singapore).



Andrew Chan - Partner, Allen & Gledhill LLP

(Lecture 2: Contract Drafting)

Andrew Chan is a Partner of Allen & Gledhill LLP. His practice encompasses commercial work, and he is a specialist in dispute resolution (especially arbitration), trusts and insolvency (corporate and personal). Andrew is consistently cited as a leading insolvency lawyer in The Legal 500 Asia Pacific, Chambers Asia-Pacific, Who's Who Legal, and IFLR1000. He is a fellow of the Insolvency Practitioners Association of Singapore and Vice-President of the Turnaround Management Association Singapore and South East Asia Ltd. Besides restructuring and insolvency, Andrew's expertise is acknowledged in Asialaw Profiles (2016) for dispute resolution and in The Legal 500 Asia Pacific (2016) for international arbitration. From 2010 to 2013, Andrew served as a Chairman of the Insolvency Committee of Law Society. Andrew is the General Editor of Law & Practice of Corporate Insolvency and the co-author of Butterworths Annotations of The Singapore Bankruptcy Act and Law and Practice of Bankruptcy in Singapore and Malaysia. He is also Consultant Editor of Halsbury's Laws of Singapore volume on Insolvency. On arbitration, he has co-authored the Singapore Chapter of the publication Arbitration in Asia. In 2011, he received the "Minister for Law Outstanding Volunteer Award" (the highest volunteer award for individuals given by the Ministry of Law Singapore) for providing expertise and helping shape insolvency practice in Singapore.





Tay Yong Seng - Partner, Allen & Gledhill LLP (Lecture 2: Contract Drafting)

Yong Seng regularly acts as lead counsel in a broad spectrum of commercial disputes, including employment, property, trusts, companies and banking disputes,. He is active in both litigation in the Singapore Courts and arbitration before international tribunals.

He has successfully represented financial institutions in "employee poaching" cases, energy companies in resource disputes, ship-owners and property companies in agency and commission disputes, art companies in disputes over high-value art pieces and banks in private banking disputes. His recent successful cases include a Singapore Court of Appeal decision that clarified complex questions of company and trusts law, and a Singapore High Court decision that established new principles of defamation law in the area of absolute privilege.

Yong Seng graduated from Oxford University with a BA (Law) (Hons) in 2003, a BCL in 2004, an a MA in 2013. He was a College Exhibitioner and a College Book Prize winner at Oxford.



Dr Philip Chan - Associate Professor, Department of Building, School of Design and Environment, National University of Singapore (Session 4: Overview of Construction Contracts)

Dr Chan experience had included work in the area of the QS and construction lawyer. He is the programme director of the MSc (PM) and Associate Director of the Centre of Project Management and Construction Law. Philip is AIAJ's Co-Editor and the Editorial Advisory Board member and Correspondent of the International Construction Law Review. He is a practising arbitrator and a Fellow of SIArb. Dr Chan has written twelve books as sole or co-author and had contributed articles to international construction law journals. He has delivered more than 200 conference/seminar papers and conducted numerous in-house training programmes on construction law, arbitration and adjudication. He has rendered assistance in the drafting of the forthcoming new suite of SIA Form of contracts.



Wendy Low – Partner (Intellectual Property, Sports & Gaming), Rajah & Tann Singapore LLP

(Session 5: Demystifying IP Clauses in Contracts)

Wendy is an IP litigator with Rajah & Tann Singapore LLP, which has been recognised as the Best Asian Law Firm by the International Legal Alliance Summit. She is a partner of the firm's IP practice group, which had been ranked as one of the best patent firms in Singapore by Asia IP consecutively in 2013 and in 2012 and in Tier 2 in the 2016 edition of Asia Pacific Legal 500. Recently, Wendy has been profiled as one of the "50 IP Litigators You Should Know" in the Asia Pacific region (Asia IP, September 2013) and as an IP Star by Managing IP in 2014, 2015 and 2016.





Ajinderpal Singh - Partner (Litigation & Arbitration), Rodyk & Davidson LLP

(Session 7: Basics of Insolvency & Restructuring Agreements)

Ajinderpal Singh is a partner in Rodyk & Davidson LLP's Litigation & Arbitration Practice Group. Ajinder's practice encompasses partnership and shareholder disputes, insolvency and banking litigation. As a banking and insolvency practitioner, he has acted for the judicial managers of Singapore Leasing Pte Ltd, Tang Dynasty and Showpla Asia Ltd. He has also been involved in preparing schemes of arrangements between companies and their creditors and reconstruction and amalgation schemes for solvent groups of companies, often under time-sensitive and pressing conditions.

In terms of liquidations, he has represented liquidators and assisted them in investigations into the affairs of the company, particularly in cases involving potential breaches of fiduciary duties and suspected insolvent and fraudulent trading. Ajinder has been described in the 2008/2009 edition of the Asia Pacific Legal 500 as a "very thorough" lawyer and is a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, Singapore Institute of Arbitrators and is an Associate of the Insolvency Practitioners Association of Singapore. He has also recently been named in the 2015/2016 edition of the IFLR 1000 as a leading lawyer for restructuring and insolvency.



Tan Mei Yen - Partner (Banking & Financial Disputes Practice), WongPartnership LLP

(Session 7: Basics of Insolvency & Restructuring Agreements)

Tan Mei Yen is a Partner in the Banking & Financial Disputes Practice. Her main areas of practice include cross-border disputes, insolvency and restructuring, corporate fraud and investigations. She has acted for and advised individuals, multinational corporations and banks in Singapore and abroad. Prior to joining WongPartnership, Mei Yen was a Director in a leading local law firm.

Mei Yen graduated from the University of Warwick. She is admitted to the Singapore Bar, Malaysian Bar, the Roll of Solicitors of England & Wales and qualified as a Barrister-at-Law (Middle Temple).

Mei Yen is one of the founding members of the Singapore Network of the International Women's Insolvency and Restructuring Confederation (IWIRC) and currently sits on the committee.



Joshua Taylor - Senior Managing Director, FTI Consulting

(Session 7: Basics of Insolvency & Restructuring Agreements)

Joshua Taylor is a Senior Managing Director in the Corporate Finance/Restructuring segment of FTI Consulting and he is based in Singapore. Mr. Taylor has more than 13 years of experience specialising in the fields of corporate turnaround, financial advisory and investigative accounting in Australia, Asia and the Cayman Islands.

Prior to FTI Consulting, Mr. Taylor was a director at Deloitte and he worked in Australia and the Cayman Islands.





Alvin Chia, Partner (Banking & Finance Practice), WongPartnership LLP (Session 8: Financing and Security Documents in Singapore)

Alvin is a Partner in WongPartnership's Banking & Finance Practice. He has extensive experience in lending transactions such as syndicated as well as bilateral loans, project finance and property development, and securitisation transactions, both local and international. He has also advised on debt restructuring, private banking transactions, standard forms for consumer credit transactions, and sales and participations of credit receivables.

Alvin has been recognised as a leading Banking lawyer by Who's Who Legal: Banking 2016 and IFLR1000 – The Guide to the World's Leading Financial Law Firms since 2010. He has also been consistently recommended as a leading lawyer for Banking and Finance work by The Legal 500: Asia Pacific – The Client's Guide to the Asia Pacific Legal Profession since 2008; Chambers Global – The World's Leading Lawyers for Business since 2009; Chambers Asia-Pacific – Asia-Pacific's Leading Lawyers for Business since 2009; and Best Lawyers since 2009. He is referred to as a "key player(s)" by The Legal 500: Asia Pacific and "standout lawyer for banking work" by Asialaw Profiles – The Guide to Asia-Pacific's Leading Law Firms 2010. Alvin has also been listed as a leading practitioner in Asialaw Leading Lawyers – The Guide to Asia-Pacific's Leading Lawyers 2013.

Alvin is the author of the Singapore chapter of Lexis Practice Advisor® Banking & Finance as well as the Singapore cross-border guide for Lexis®PSL Banking & Finance.





Tan Li Wen is a Partner in the Banking & Finance Practice. Her main areas of practice include syndicated loans, club deals, bilateral loans, property development financing, acquisition financing, cross-border transactions, and security arrangements and documentation. Recent transactions of significance which Li Wen has been involved in include acting for Cityview Place Holdings Pte. Ltd., a wholly-owned subsidiary of City Development Limited, in the S\$300 million and S\$450 million financings secured over the W Singapore, Quayside Isle and units at The Residence at W Singapore located at Sentosa Cove; and for Frasers Amethyst Pte. Ltd. in the S\$3 billion and S\$1.8 billion financings, granted by syndicates of lenders, in relation to the acquisition of Australian developer Australand Property Group ("Australand"). The acquisition of Australand was awarded "Best Singapore Deal" at the FinanceAsia Awards for Achievement 2014.

Li Wen graduated from King's College London and is admitted to the Singapore Bar.