



Seminars on Commercial Law Committee of the
Bar Association of Sri Lanka (BASL)

Two Presents
seminars on



Construction and International Commercial Contracts

Date | Friday 15 August 2014

Time | Construction seminar - (From 9 a.m. to 12 noon)
International Commercial Contracts seminar - (From 1.30 p.m. to 4.45 p.m.)

Venue | **OZO Colombo** No. 36-38, Clifford Place, Colombo 4. Tel: 011 2 555570
[Facing Marine Drive (Colombo Plan Road)]

Speaker

Mr. Anil Changaroth FCI Arb, FSI Arb,
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Areas covered Construction seminar

1. Introduction and salient features of construction matters, types of construction and infrastructure development projects including the various types of documents and legal contracts involved in such construction projects.
2. The parties and stake holders of construction projects such as consultants, land/project owners, civil and different types of contractors and support service providers.
3. International aspects where one or more stakeholders are from different jurisdictions or countries including the application of different laws (cross-border aspects).
4. From the beginning to the end of any standard construction project – salient features and roles of different parties in order to achieve defined objectives (Commencing from proposal submission point up to the end of defect liability period).
5. Project management and best practices to ensure the efficiency and effectiveness of construction projects.
6. Various dispute resolution methods such as adjudication, arbitration, mediation and litigation.
7. Selected examples connected with construction projects.

Areas covered International Commercial Contracts seminar

1. Definition of commercial contracts and how such contracts become 'International' or 'cross-border'.
2. Salient features of international or cross-border commercial contracts where more than two parties in different jurisdictions/countries are involved and salient features of such contracts.
3. Application and use of important standard clauses such as governing law, dispute resolution, indemnity, payment methods (specially cross-border payments).
4. Different types of dispute resolution methods used in commercial contracts.
5. Some practical points applicable to contract drafting in order to minimize future disputes (best practices in contract drafting).
6. Negotiations – before the contract and after the contract; how to ensure effective correspondence in order to minimize disputes.
7. Commercial contracts as a key function of in-house legal departments or corporate/employed lawyers.

Who should attend

- Senior officers of companies, public and private sector organizations who handle construction and connected matters.
- Senior officers companies, public and private sector organizations who handle commercial contracts and connected matters, both local and international.
- Senior officers who handle pre-legal and recovery matters including the officers who would represent organizations in similar matters.
- Business consultants.
- Project managers and senior officers who handle procurements.
- Professionals who handle disputes, alternative dispute resolution methods and litigation.
- Lawyers, Legal Officers, In-house Counsel and other professionals.
- Businessmen and entrepreneurs who wish to be aware of these subjects.

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Panel Chairman

Mr. Malik Cader, Attorney-at-Law,
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Fee

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International Commercial Contracts seminar
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(Including course material. tea/coffee and refreshments)

Both Seminars – Rs. 7,950/-.
*(Including course material. tea/coffee and refreshments
but excluding the lunch)*

Procedure

Please fill the attached 'Registration Form'
and send it to the BASL Secretariat

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{ Brief profile of { Mr. Anil Changaroth

Anil Changaroth has been in practice since 1995 following a five-years career as an infantry officer with the Singapore Armed Forces. Graduating as a Barrister of England and Wales (Middle Temple) and currently Advocate and Solicitor of Singapore and Solicitor of England and Wales. He established **CHANGAROTH CHAMBERS LLC** on 1st July 2014. (www.changarothchambers.com). His work primarily involves commercial, civil, corporate & criminal litigation and dispute resolution with a focus on construction related adjudication & arbitration including sitting as an Arbitrator. Anil represents parties in Singapore and the region including Australia, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Pakistan and Sri Lanka.

Anil's area of practice includes:

- Construction Disputes Resolution - in the areas of adjudication, arbitration (including as an Arbitrator), litigation & mediation
- Civil, Commercial Dispute Resolution and Criminal litigation including Contractual & Debt recovery claims; Banking & Factoring; Bankruptcy; Commercial & Property management corporation disputes; Conveyance; Hire Purchase & Leasing; Employment; Defamation; Insurance; Personal Injury (Medical Negligence, Accident & Insurance); Matrimonial (civil & Syariah Courts) and Adoption; Estate, Wills, Trust & Probate (contentious and non-contentious); and Criminal matters (Penal Code & other Statutes)
- Corporate Litigation including Liquidation, Winding Up & Schemes of Arrangements
- Corporate Advisory work including drafting of front-end Construction & Infrastructure contracts, Tenancy, Partnership, Shareholders, Joint Ventures, Share Capital Reduction and Buy-Back and other agreements

Prior to establishing **CHANGAROTH CHAMBERS LLC**, Anil was with the international arbitration practice group at the international law firm of Lovells Lee & Lee and two years before that as in-house counsel, Director and Head of Contract Advisory and Dispute Management Services of the quantity surveying firm Davis Langdon & Seah Singapore Pte Ltd. His work there involved construction industry dispute management services (including arbitration, adjudication & mediation); Claims Assessment; and Front End Contract Advisory work for developers, building owners and contractors in residential, commercial, institutional, industrial, infrastructural and PPP projects in Singapore, India, Vietnam and Korea. Anil's first eleven years of practice was with the law firm of Lim & Lim and the last five years with Aequitas Law LLP preceding his own set up.

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Anil is a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CIArb) and the Singapore Institute of Arbitrators (SI Arb) and

- On the panel of Arbitrators, Adjudicators & Mediators, Kuala Lumpur Regional Centre of Arbitration (KLRCA) Malaysia [2013-2016]
On the panel of Arbitrators (Foreign), International Centre of Alternate Dispute Resolution (ICADR) New Delhi India
- A honorary legal advisor to the Singapore Institute of Architects (SIA) advising the Building Contract Committee and Small & Medium Architectural Practices (SMAP) Committee (including on the SIA Minor Works Standard Form Contracts 2012) and is on its panel of Construction Lawyers
- On the panel of Lawyers (Construction & Prosecution), for the Energy Market Authority of Singapore [2012 to 2014]
- On the panel of Lawyers (being conversant in Mandarin), for the Embassy of the People's Republic of China in Singapore

Anil is also,

- the Chairman of the Society of Construction Law, Singapore [2012-2014]
- was Honorary Treasurer, Singapore Institute of Arbitrators [2011-13] and chair of its Schemes Arbitration committee [2012-13]
- an Associate member of the Singapore Corporate Counsel Association, its international relations representative to the Asia Pacific Corporate Counsel Alliance's (APCCA) International Relations working group and the In House Counsel Worldwide (ICW)
- on the executive committee of the Singapore - Sri Lanka Business Association (SLBA) [2011 - 2015]
- a legal representative on community affairs and matters (including pro bono legal services) in Jurong Town Constituency of the Honourable Deputy Prime Minister Mr. Tharman Shanmugaratnam

Anil holds a Master of Science in Construction Law and Arbitration awarded jointly by King's College London & National University of Singapore. In 2008, his MSc dissertation on "International Arbitration - A consensus on Public Policy Defences?" was published in the Asian International Arbitration Journal, Volume 4, Number 2, 2008

Anil has participated in number of programmes held in Sri Lanka including the LAWASIA Business Law Conference held in 2011 organized by the 'Bar Association of Sri Lanka' (BASL).