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Educational/Professional Memberships

LL.B. (Hons), London School of Economics; Diploma in Surveying, Distinction, College of Estate Management, Reading ; Lincoln's Inn (Barrister-at-Law); Member of the Singapore and English Bar; Fellow: Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and Chartered Institute of Building; Arbitrator of Regional Panel of Arbitrators, Singapore International Arbitration Centre; Senior Adjudicator, Singapore Mediation Centre; President, Chartered Institute of Building, Singapore; Appointed as Adjunct Associate Professor, NUS; Member of Society of Construction Law Singapore; Fellow of Singapore Institute of Arbitrators; Member of Construction Adjudicator Accreditation Committee by Singapore Mediation Centre. He has also been appointed on the Panel of Arbitrators of the Kuala Lumpur Regional Centre for Arbitration (KLRCA).

Current Position

Partner and Head of Infrastructure, Construction & Engineering Practice, WongPartnership LLP

Professional Experience

A specialist in Building and Construction Law. He has acted as lead counsel in numerous reported landmark cases on construction law including acting for Mer Vue Developments Pte. Ltd., the developers of The Seaview Condominium, in a landmark High Court decision that clarifies the extent and scope of the liability of the developer, main contractor and architect in a claim for building defects. We successfully defended tortious claims made by the Management Corporation Strata Title Plan No. 3322 for alleged defects in the development amounting to approximately S\$32 million; Asplenium Land Pte. Ltd., a developer in respect of a residential project, in a landmark Court of Appeal decision on the enforceability of a contractual clause limiting an employer's right to restrain a call on a performance bond against a main contractor who was terminated. This landmark decision by the Court of Appeal would mean that it is now possible for employers to exclude or limit the grounds for an injunction to fraud only in the case of unconditional bonds; Kimly Construction Pte. Ltd. in a successful claim against the subcontractor arising from the collapse of a tower crane at the National University of Singapore

In infrastructure/projects, Christopher has been involved in acting for Changi Airport Group (Singapore) Pte. Ltd. in two major infrastructure projects being undertaken at Changi Airport, Singapore – Project Jewel which is a S\$1.47 billion project for the development, construction, lease and management of the iconic aviation-related mixed-use complex at Changi Airport; and in the development of Terminal 4 at Changi Airport on the site of the former Budget Terminal. When completed, Project Jewel and Terminal 4 will boost Changi Airport's handling capacity and augment its position as a leading global air hub.

Arbitration Experience

He has also acted for subcontractors, main contractors and developers in numerous arbitration disputes both domestic and international. His main areas of practice encompass both front-end drafting/advice and construction disputes, both litigation and arbitration. He is a leading light in the field of building and construction law and has authored various books on this subject. He is one of the General Editors of the Singapore Construction Adjudication Review and the Singapore Journal of Construction Law.

Publications

Christopher co-authored the Contract Administration Guide to the REDAS Design and Build Conditions of Contract published by LexisNexis in 2012. He also led the authorship effort behind the *Annotated Guide to the Building and Construction Industry Security of Payment Act 2004* and *Annotated Guide to the Building Maintenance and Strata Management Act 2004* published by Sweet & Maxwell and drafted the standard form domestic subcontract and supply of goods published by SCAL. He also co-authored the *Contractor's Working Manual on Public Sector Standard Conditions of Contract for Construction Works*, published by SCAL; as well as the *Public Sector Standard Conditions of Contract for Design and Build - A Commentary and Standard Form of Sub-Contracts - An Annotation* published by LexisNexis.

Languages

English and Chinese both written and spoken