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# **Educational/Professional Memberships**

## **Education**

- LL.M., Harvard Law School (1993)
- LL.B. (Hons), National University of Singapore (1991)

## **Professional Memberships**

- Fellow of the Singapore Academy of Law
- Member of the Law Society of Singapore

#### **Current Position**

- Managing Partner, Cavenagh Law LLP
- Concurrently Partner, Clifford Chance Pte Ltd

# **Professional Experience**

- Appointed Advocate & Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Singapore (1992)
- Justices' Law Clerk of the Supreme Court of Singapore (1993 1994)
- Active commercial litigation and arbitration practice in Singapore (1994 to date)
- Appointed Senior Counsel of the Supreme Court of Singapore (2007)

## **Arbitration Experience**

A Senior Counsel of the Supreme Court of Singapore and graduate of Harvard Law School, Harpreet has extensive international arbitration and litigation experience, both as counsel and as arbitrator, across a wide spectrum of commercial and investment disputes in the banking and finance, oil & gas, power, utilities, commercial contracts, company law and TMT sectors.

Harpreet has held a number of institutional and party-appointed arbitrator appointments from the Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre, the Kuala Lumpur Regional Centre for Arbitration , and the Singapore International Arbitration Centre.

Harpreet was one of the first Emergency Arbitrators under the SIAC Rules.

# His experience as an arbitrator includes:

- appointed chairperson of the arbitral tribunal in an SIAC arbitration between Japanese and Dutch parties in the automotive industry
- appointed as arbitrator in an investment dispute exceeding US\$100 million between a world renowned US private equity company and various Chinese parties. The arbitration was held in Hong Kong and was governed by New York law
- appointed as arbitrator in an ad hoc arbitration between two government-owned companies of an Asian country

# Harpreet's international arbitration experience as counsel includes:

- acting for a major US online securities broker in pursuing claims of over US\$70 million against 10 individuals. The main claims were pursued in arbitration under the AAA Rules but involved cross-jurisdictional elements, including court proceedings both in Singapore and Malaysia.
- acting for a well known Singapore IT company in 4 arbitrations with a seat in San Francisco (3 governed by AAA Rules and 1 by ICC Rules) in relation to claims exceeding US\$60 million
- acting for a globally renowned US company in a US\$70 million dispute involving its Indonesian joint venture partner. The dispute was governed by Indonesian law
- acting for a Middle-Eastern oil & gas company in a multi-million dollar international arbitration in Narobi against a Kenyan State owned entity in a dispute governed by Kenyan law
- acting for a major Singapore utilities company in relation to its S\$60 million (US\$39.48 million) dispute with an Australian entity arising from a contract for the design and construction of a transmission cable tunnel
- successfully defending the Singapore subsidiary of a major Japanese multi-national company in a 30 day arbitration hearing for a claim for breach of a joint venture agreement exceeding US\$40 million brought by a Middle Eastern party
- advising an Indonesian entity in relation to a substantial joint venture dispute with an international hotel chain over the construction of a US\$70 million hotel resort in Bali, Indonesia. The dispute raised legal issues of abandonment and frustration.
- advising in a TMT arbitration between Indian and Malaysian parties under the SIAC Rules
- acting for and advised a major defence contractor in relation to a dispute with a European defence
  manufacturer over the termination of a contract for the supply of defence equipment exceeding several
  hundred million dollars. Contentious arbitration proceedings were on the verge of being commenced in
  London, Paris and Singapore in relation to various separate contracts between the parties before the
  matter was amicably resolved
- successfully acting for a major utilities company in relation to a \$25 million dispute over the construction of a state of the art desalination plant. The arbitration hearing took place in Singapore and Los Angeles. 3 experts in the field of desalination technology, including one world-renowned expert, gave testimony during the Los Angeles phase of the hearing
- advising on a potential SIAC arbitration between Spanish and Singapore parties in a steel manufacturing dispute
- acting in an SIAC arbitration between Chinese and US parties in respective of automotive supplies
- representing an Indonesian entity in a SIAC arbitration in respect of a US\$25 million dollar claim against the Indonesian subsidiary of a Swiss public listed company
- representing a French public listed company in a SIAC arbitration relating to a shareholder dispute
- advising a major Singapore conglomerate in relation to various issues arising with a UK entity in relation to the Asian Aerospace Exhibition, Asia's largest airshow. The matter was successfully resolved before the notice of arbitration was issued
- successfully representing a large Indonesian construction company in an arbitration against a Hong Kong entity, in relation to a claim relating to the delivery of cranes under several subcontract agreements
- advising a Singapore company against an Indian company in relation to a substantial claim for damages for breach of contract for the supply of iron-ore

Publications	
Languages	

#### <u>Written</u>

- English
- Malay

## **Spoken**

- English
- Malay

• Hindi