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### Conflict of Laws in International Arbitration

Wednesday, 18 May 2022, 6.30pm – 8.15pm (Singapore Time, GMT +8)

#### About this Webinar

Arbitral Tribunals are expected to arrive at principled decisions on questions of substance and procedure, based on the application of relevant legal principles. In order to do so, they are often confronted with the need to first identify the applicable law. This can create conflicts of law issues which are particularly challenging in where there are cross-border elements of the sort routinely encountered in International Arbitration, particularly in the absence of an express choice of law by the parties. Please join our distinguished panel who will share their knowledge and practical experience on the subject of Conflicts of Law in International Arbitration.

#### Webinar Programme

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6.30 – 6.45pm	<b>Opening Remarks by Moderator</b> <i>Mr. Dinesh Dhillon – Partner, Allen &amp; Gledhill LLP; Immediate Past President, Singapore Institute of Arbitrators</i>
6.45 – 8.00pm	<b>Conflict of Laws in International Arbitration</b> <i>Dr. Kabir Duggal - Attorney, Arnold &amp; Porter, New York</i> <i>Prof. Janet Walker, CM – Chartered Arbitrator, Atkins Chambers</i> <i>Mr. Alvin Yap – Associate, Squire Patton Boggs Singapore LLP</i>
8.00 – 8.15pm	<b>Panel Discussion and Q&amp;A Session Moderated by Webinar Moderator</b>

#### About the Speakers



**Dr. Kabir Duggal's** core areas of focus are international investment and commercial arbitration, and public international law matters, serving both as Arbitrator and Counsel. He is also a Lecturer-in-Law at Columbia Law School and an adjunct Professor at Fordham Law School. He is a Consultant for the United Nations Office of the High Representative for Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States (UN-OHRLLS) on the creation of a novel Investment Support Program. Dr. Duggal works closely with the U.S. Department of Commerce's Commercial Law Development Program (CLDP) as an expert and has undertaken capacity-building workshops in Georgia, Kosovo, Bosnia & Herzegovina. He has conducted training and capacity-building sessions for several Governments including Colombia, Saudi Arabia, Myanmar, India, Philippines among others on public international law and dispute resolution matters. He serves on the Federal Republic of Somalia's New York Convention Task Force as well as the WTO Negotiating Team (International Board).



**Prof. Janet Walker, CM** is an independent arbitrator with chambers in London, Toronto and Sydney, and a distinguished research professor at Osgoode Hall in Toronto. She has served as sole arbitrator, co-arbitrator and chair in arbitration administered by the ICC, ICDR, DIAC, HKIAC, KCAB, PCA and SIAC.

Janet chairs the ICC Canada Arbitration Committee and is a member of the CIArb Canada Board. She is co-chair of CanArbWeek, an executive editor of the *Canadian Journal of Commercial Arbitration* and co-author of *Commercial Arbitration in Australia under the Model Law*. She authors Canada's main text on the conflict of laws, cited in more than 400 judgments. Janet is a member of the Order of Canada.



**Mr. Alvin Yap** acts as counsel in State-to-State disputes before international courts and tribunals and regularly advises States and corporations on matters of public international law, particularly on land and maritime boundary issues and upstream oil and gas matters. He has also served as an arbitrator and tribunal secretary in commercial arbitration. He has written and published extensively on matters of international arbitration and public international law.



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**Mr. Dinesh Dhillon** is the Co-Head of the Allen & Gledhill's International Arbitration practice. He has acted as lead counsel in international arbitration for global multinational corporations in the telecommunications, airline, hotel, commodities, construction, manufacturing and projects industries. He has also represented sovereign states in international arbitration cases. He has represented clients in landmark cases before the Singapore courts relating to jurisdiction of arbitral tribunals, challenges to arbitration awards and attempts to resist enforcement of foreign arbitration awards. Dinesh has represented multinational companies in cases before the Singapore International Commercial Court (SICC), Singapore High Court and Court of Appeal. Dinesh is the Immediate Past President of The Singapore Institute of Arbitrators, Fellow of the Asian Institute of Alternative Dispute Resolution, Board member of the Law Society's Pro Bono Services Office, Treasurer of the Asia Pacific Forum of the International Bar Association and Co-Chair of the Legal & IPR Committee of The American Chamber of Commerce in Singapore (AmCham).

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