

## **Registration Form**

#### SCMA Distinguished Speaker Series 2014

The Honourable, Justice Steven Chong

Monday 10 November 2014 32 Maxwell Road Maxwell Chambers 10.30am to 14.30pm
I would like to attend the event:
Name:Dr
Organization:
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*Please tick box if claiming CPD Points □Yes □No AAS No
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*FEES: Members S\$35.00 \Qeed Non MembersS\$70.00 \Qeed \Qeed  \text{array} \tex
*Price inclusive of networking lunch.
Payment Mode
I(we) enclose a Cheque No of \$ to be made payable to Singapore Chamber of Maritime Arbitration and kindly mail to:
32 Maxwell Road #02-14 Maxwell Chambers Singapore 069115 Attn: Ms Tammy Tan
CPD Accreditation 1.5 Public CPD Points Practice Area: Admiralty Practice / Shipping Training Level: Intermediate

#### Attendance Policy

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## **SCMA DISTINGUISHED SPEAKER SERIES 2014**

#### AN EVENT NOT TO BE MISSED!

## The Honourable, Justice Steven Chong MAKING WAVES IN ARBITRATION – THE SINGAPORE EXPERIENCE



**DATE:** 10<sup>th</sup> November 2014, Monday

TIMING: 10.30am – 14.30pm (lunch included)

**VENUE:** 32 Maxwell Road Level 3 Maxwell Chambers

FEE: SCMA Member: S\$35.00

Public: S\$70.00

#### **REGISTRATION:**

Kindly email the completed registration form to Tammy Tan by 5<sup>th</sup> November 2014 at tammy@scma.org.sg

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The SCMA Distinguished Speaker Series is a program of speeches featuring international speakers who have distinguished themselves in the area of maritime arbitration. Designed to present thought leading ideas and developments in the field of maritime arbitration, the speeches cover a comprehensive spectrum of topics.

For 2014, SCMA is proud to welcome the Honourable, Justice Steven Chong as our Distinguished Speaker. His speech will be titled:

## MAKING WAVES IN ARBITRATION THE SINGAPORE EXPEREINCE

(Please see page 2 for synopsis of Justice Chong's speech)

We look forward to welcoming all of you at the event.

#### Who should attend

- Arbitrators / Lawyers /In-house Counsel / Ship Owners / Charterers/Operators / Ship Brokers / Managers
- Marine Insurers and Insurance Brokers / Correspondents
- Shipyards / Ship Financing Institutions / Regulators
- Institutions of Higher Learning
- Stakeholders in the Maritime and Trade Industry



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**SYNOPSIS OF JUSTICE CHONG'S SPEECH** 

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#### MAKING WAVES IN ARBITRATION – THE SINGAPORE EXPERIENCE

In recent years, Singapore has enjoyed unparalleled success in establishing herself as a major player in the international arbitration scene. This is because a harmony of factors has combined to create an ideal "ecosystem" within which arbitration can thrive. In this connection, the address will discuss how Singapore has benefitted from having a proactive legislature responsive to the needs of the arbitration and business communities, a judiciary guided by the touchstone principle of minimal curial intervention in arbitral proceedings, a growing ensemble of local and foreign lawyers skilled in arbitration, and a supporting infrastructure that is nothing short of world-class.

With such favourable conditions in place, Singapore's maritime arbitration community has much to be optimistic about. However, to stay ahead of the curve, the industry must aspire to seek out opportunities to enhance Singapore's attractiveness as a seat for maritime arbitration disputes. The address therefore also hopes to challenge participants to think more deeply, and innovatively, about how Singapore can continue to make new waves in the arbitration world.





## PROGRAMME

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9.45am – 10.30am	Registration
10.30am – 10.40am	Welcome Address : Mr Lee Wai Pong, Executive Director Singapore Chamber of Maritime Arbitration
10.40am – 11.30am	Speech by SCMA Distinguished Speaker 2014 The Honourable, Justice Steven Chong
11.30am – 12.20pm	Panel Discussion Chair: Mr. Lawrence Teh Members: 1. Prof Anselmo Reyes SC 2. Mr Simon Davidson 3. Mr Lye Chow Kheng Question and Answer
12.20pm – 12.25pm	Presentation of token of appreciation to Speaker, Chairperson and Panelists
12.25pm – 12.30pm	Closing speech by Mr. Goh Joon Seng, Chairman of Singapore Chamber of Maritime Arbitration
12.30pm – 14.30pm	Networking Buffet Lunch



## **ABOUT THE SPEAKER**

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The Honourable Justice Steven Chong

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Justice Steven Chong graduated with a Bachelor of Laws (Honours) from the National University of Singapore in 1982. He was admitted as an advocate and solicitor of the Supreme Court of Singapore in 1983, and entered into legal practice with one of Singapore's top law firms, Drew & Napier, that same year. He eventually became its Joint Managing Partner at the end of 1997. In 1998, Justice Chong joined another leading Singapore law firm, Rajah & Tann, where he was appointed, first, Senior Partner and then Managing Partner. In January 1998, he was also appointed Senior Counsel. In private practice, he was regularly featured in The Best of the Best Guide to shipping and maritime lawyers of the world.

Justice Chong was a leading commercial lawyer and has been involved in numerous landmark cases. He was also a senior member of the Singapore arbitration community and participated in various arbitrations both as counsel as well as arbitrator.

After 27 years in legal practice, Justice Chong was appointed to the Bench on 1 October 2009 as a Judicial Commissioner of the Supreme Court. He was later appointed as a Judge of the Supreme Court from 1 June 2010 until 24 June 2012. During his judicial term, he presided over a wide range of cases and delivered significant judgments covering diverse areas of the law including criminal, constitutional, banking, defamation and shipping law. Mr Chong assumed office as the Attorney-General of the Republic of Singapore on 25 June 2012 for 2 years. On 25 June 2014 Mr Chong returned to the Bench as a High Court Judge

### **ABOUT THE CHAIRPERSON**

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Lawrence Teh Senior Partner Litigation & Arbitration Rodyk & Davidson LLP

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Lawrence Teh is a senior partner in Rodyk & Davidson LLP's Litigation & Arbitration Practice Group.

Lawrence advises clients and acts as an advocate in all areas of commercial law and appears regularly as leading counsel in the Singapore Courts, in arbitration and in other forms of dispute resolution. He is also appointed regularly as an arbitrator in international disputes.

He has particular experience in international trade and commodities, maritime and aviation, banking and financial services, onshore and offshore construction, mergers acquisitions joint ventures and other investments, and insurance in related fields.

Lawrence is currently the Chairman of the Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) Committee at The Law Society of Singapore. He is a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, a Fellow of the Singapore Institute of Arbitrators, and a panel arbitrator at the Singapore International Arbitration Centre. He chaired the committee that drafted the Law Society Arbitration Rules and is a panel arbitrator of the Law Society Arbitration Scheme. Recently, he was appointed the Administrator of the Comite Maritime International (CMI) in 2013, and Chairman of the Promotion Committee of the Singapore Chamber of Maritime Arbitration (SCMA) in 2014.

He is named in numerous legal guides and directories including the Asia Pacific Legal 500, International Who's Who for Commercial Litigation, International Who's Who of Shipping & Maritime, Asialaw Leading Lawyers for Shipping, Maritime & Aviation and on the Guide to the World's Leading Aviation Lawyers.

### **ABOUT THE PANELISTS**

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Prof Anselmo Reyes SC Arbitrator from HK Former HK High Court Judge



Anselmo Reyes is Professor of Legal Practice at Hong Kong University, a position he assumed in October 2013. Prior to that, he was a judge of the High Court of Hong Kong from 2003-12.

As judge, he was in charge of the Construction and Arbitration List (2004-8) and the Commercial and Admiralty Lists (2008-12).

He was called to the Hong Kong Bar in 1986, becoming Senior Counsel in May 2001. He was admitted to the Singapore Bar in 1995.

In April 2013, he became Representative of the Asia-Pacific Regional Office of the Hague Conference on Private International Law.

Prof Reyes is a member of SCMA's Procedure Committee



Simon Davidson Independent Arbitrator

Simon specialises in shipping, focusing mainly on dispute resolution arising from charterparties, bills of lading, shipbuilding, collisions, fire and explosion, salvage, general average, groundings, total loss, towage, offshore and limitation. He has acted on a wide variety of arbitrations in at least ten different jurisdictions including London, Singapore and Hong Kong.

Simon is a qualified solicitor in England and Hong Kong and Singapore and is a Chartered Arbitrator with the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators.

Simon is the Chairman of SCMA's Procedure Committee

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Lye Chow Kheng NOL, Singapore



Lye Chow Kheng started his shipping career with Neptune Orient Lines Limited (NOL) commercial department before moving to Insurance and Claim after the merger of NOL and American President Lines in 1997. He is currently responsible for NOL's Liner and Logistics claims related matters across Asia and Europe.

The key areas he handles for Liner involve cargo delivery issues, bill of lading disputes for containerised cargoes, vessel-related incidents, 'dry' matters with shipowners, personal injury and general liability claims. For Logistics, he manages the supply chain disputes and incidents including contract, international logistics and warehouse management.

Chow Kheng is a member of SCMA's General Committee and is Singapore representative in BIMCO's Documentary Committee