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2000, LL.B (Hons), National University of Singapore, 2nd Class Honours (Upper Division)

2001, Advocate & Solicitor, Supreme Court of Singapore

Professional Membership(s):

Treasurer, Maritime Law Association of Singapore

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Career & Professional Experience: Managing Director, Resource Law LLC

Active arbitration practitioner with 20 years' experience as counsel

Legal Knowledge relating to Shipping, Arbitration Practice and Procedure: Please refer to **Annex A** for recent arbitration experience

Publications:

Of Letter of Indemnity and "Spent" Bills of Lading [2019] SAL Prac 30

ANNEX A

Snapshot of recent arbitration experience – Private and Confidential

- 1. Appointed as sole arbitrator in an arbitration governed by the SCMA Rules in relation to disputes arising from a Memorandum of Agreement relating to a Vessel. The parties settled the dispute on the eve of the oral hearing.
- 2. Acted as counsel for the Claimant, a shipwoner, in a ship collision arbitration governed the SCMA SEADOCC Rules. The tribunal rendered an Award following a documents-only arbitration. Apparently, it was the first arbitration under the SCMA SEADOCC Rules.
- 3. Acted as counsel for the Respondent, a ship manager, in an arbitration governed by the SCMA Rules in respect of a bunker sale and purchase dispute. Parties resolved the dispute after exchanging case statements.
- 4. Acted as counsel for the Respondent, a ship manager, in an arbitration governed by the Expedited Procedure of the SCMA Rules in respect of a bunker sale and purchase dispute. Parties resolved the dispute after exchanging case statements.
- 5. Acted as counsel for the Claimant, a ship owner, in an arbitration governed by the SCMA Rules, in respect of disputes arising from a bareboat charterparty. The arbitration proceeded to an oral hearing and an award in favour of the Claimant was issued.
- 6. Acted as counsel for the Claimant, a PRC state-owned enterprise, in an arbitration governed by the ICC Rules, in respect of disputes arising from the design and construction of a cutter-suction dredger. Shortly before the oral hearing and after written evidence had been prepared, the instructing solicitors decided to argue the arbitration by themselves.
- 7. Acted as counsel for the Respondent, the seller, in an arbitration governed by the SIAC Rules, in respect of disputes arising from the sale and purchase of coal. Successfully resisted an application by the buyer to consolidate the arbitration under the contract of sale with an unrelated arbitration under the contract of carriage.
- 8. Acted as counsel for the Claimant, the seller, in an arbitration governed by the SIAC Rules, in respect of disputes arising from the sale and purchase of bitumen. The arbitration was withdrawn following negotiations between the parties.
- 9. Acted as counsel for the Respondent, a shipowner, in an arbitration governed by the SIAC Rules in relation to disputes arising from a Memorandum of Agreement for a vessel. The Claimant abandoned their claim after the exchange of case statements.