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Seminar on Building Defects and Liabilities

Date : Wednesday, 5 July 2023

Venue : 2 Goodwood Hill Road
S 258897

Time : 9.00am to 12.00 pm

Seminar Fees

BEMA/SIBL/CIJC members - \$80.00

Non-members - \$95.00

Building Defects & Legal Implications

Building Defects

A built environment intended to offer shelter, render a specific function, and peaceful enjoyment to its occupants are often susceptible to various forms or manifestations of defects. Considering that defects occur throughout the lifecycle of a building, from the construction to the building's service life, the management of defects and their resolution can be more than a straightforward question of reinstating disrepair.

The presentation will discuss some case studies on approaches in defects inspections, identifying defects, and their diagnosis

Rights and responsibilities relating to defects claims

The talk will cover the rights and responsibilities relating to defects claims. It will identify the legal basis for defects claims and the parties who may be liable to such claims. It will also address issues such as the limitation period of defects claims, and whether claims may be made after the maintenance/ defects liability period. The appropriate amount of compensation for defects will also be highlighted.

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Programme

8.30am Registration

9.00am Welcome Address

9.30am Presentation

10.10am Tea Break

10.40am Presentation (continue)

11.40am Q & A Session

12.00pm End of Seminar

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Closing date for registration is
30 June 2023



About the Speakers

Mr Edwin Lee Peng Khoon

Partner, Eldan Law LLP

EDWIN LEE is one of the founding partners of Eldan Law LLP. Practising for more than 28 years, he is recognised by the Singapore Academy of Law as a Senior Specialist in Construction Law.

He was cited as a leading Singapore construction law practitioner in Euromoney's Guide to the World's Leading Construction Lawyers (2017), and as a distinguished practitioner in AsiaLaw (2021) and by Doyles Guide (2022) as a leading Singapore lawyer for Construction Disputes Litigation and Arbitration.

Edwin is the Deputy Chairman of the Singapore Mediation Centre's Construction Adjudicator Accreditation Committee, which oversees the selection and assessment of adjudicators. He has conducted hundreds of adjudication cases, variously as counsel, adjudicator and review adjudicator. He has also argued many of the landmark Court of Appeal cases on construction law, and on adjudications. He co-authored the Law Reform Committee report on amending the Building and Construction Industry Security of Payment Act, which saw the introduction of amendments to the Act in 2018.

Edwin is also an accredited adjudicator in Malaysia, under the Malaysian Construction Industry Payment and Adjudication Act 2012.

Significant matters he has handled include advising on a large solar manufacturing project worth \$6.3 billion, advising on the University Town project worth \$400 million and a dredging and land reclamation project worth \$1.4 billion.

Apart from his active legal practice, Edwin is also an Adjunct Associate Professor with the National University of Singapore and the Singapore University of Technology and Design, and a trainer for the Building & Construction Authority on Construction Law.

Edwin is the co-author of the books Confidentiality in Arbitration (2007) and Amendments to the SOP Act (2019), and is the author of Building Contract Law in Singapore (2016, 3rd Edition). In 2020, he led a team in the drafting of the Lexis Nexis Annotated Guide to the Building & Construction Industry Security of Payment Act 2004. Currently, he is a general editor of the annual Singapore Construction Adjudication Review, and the Construction Law editor for the Singapore Academy of Law's online journal SAL Practitioner.

Mr Jeffrey Toh Thye Ann

Director and Principal Consultant of Vision Building Forensics Pte Ltd

JEFFREY TOH is the Director and Principal Consultant of Vision Building Forensics Pte Ltd. He is a Chartered Building Surveyor with the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS).

For over 19 years, Mr Toh has undertaken extensive building surveying works relating to building defects. He had advised a wide range of private and public building owners, from individual owners of strata apartments, Management Corporations of condominiums, and commercial and industrial buildings to government buildings in Singapore and overseas. He currently heads the project management team responsible to building owners for their building defects remediation and major cyclical redecoration works.

Mr Toh stood as Independent Expert on various building and construction defects dispute matters. He gave Expert evidence at the Singapore High Court, State Courts, Strata Titles Board and tribunals, including assisting his clients at mediation sessions held by Singapore Mediation Centre and Primary Dispute Resolution Centre.