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#### **Forthcoming Events & Updates**

#### **Upcoming Commercial Bar Association CPD Seminars**

Contractor's Distuption & Loss of Productivity Claims
Commercial Bar Association - Construction Law Section
25 November 2013

Mr. David McAndrew (Vice Chairman Construction Law Section of the Commercial Bar Association) and Mr. David Watson (Hinds Blunden)

Recent Developments in International Commerical Arbitration 28 November 2013

Commercial Bar Association - Arbitration & ADR Section
Mr. Albert Monichino S.C. (Co-Chair Arbitration and ADR Section of the Commercial Bar Association) and Mr. Andrew Baraclough of Counsel

Getting the Most Out of Hot tubs
Commercial Bar Association

4 December 2013
Presenter: Justice Middleton (Federal Court of Australia)
Chair: Mr. Ian Percy (Treasurer of the Commercial Bar Association)

<u>Construction Programs and Critical Paths</u> Commercial Bar Association - Construction Law Section

5 December 2013

Mr. David Andrews (Tracey Brunstrom & Hammond).

Security of Payment in Victoria: Payment Claims. Adjudication and Court Intervention: An Introduction and Update
Commercial Bar Association - Construction Law Section
17 February 2014

Caroline Kirton S.C. (Chair of the Construction Law Section of the Commercial Bar Association) and Mr. Adam Rollnik of Counsel

#### Conferences

Building Dispute Practitioners' Society
Discussion Nights:
Wednesday 25 September
The Attorney General Robert Clark
Domestic Building Reforms Revisited
Wednesday 13 November
Wrap up of the year by Toby Shnookal S.C.
Details: www.bdps.com.au

The Australian and New Zealand Sports Law Association Annual Conference
16 - 18 October 2013

Brisbane, Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre

www.anzsla.com

Keating Chambers: Construction Law Conference 2013
London - Thursday 17 October 2013
The Construction Law Conference 2013 is held in partnership with Sweet and Maxwell. It features a number of developments across key topics and also addresses the issues affecting the construction industry. Details: <a href="https://www.keatingchambers.com">www.keatingchambers.com</a>

Arbitration & ADR	Asia Practice	Banking & Finance		
Construction Law	Corporations & Securities	Environment & Planning		
Equity	Insolvency Law	Insurance & Professional Negligence		
Public Law	Sports Law			

## **President's Report**



The last two months have been a very active period for CommBar.

In addition to the regular CPD Seminar Program for CommBar members, two very successful seminars were held on 7 and 8 August. On 7 August Justice Davies, Wendy Harris SC and Neil Young QC presented a seminar on "Preparing and Running a Commercial Trial – Tips for the Junior Bar".

On 8 August Justice Kyrou, Richard Niall SC and Phillip Solomon SC presented a seminar on "Advocacy in the Judicial Review and Appeals List".

Thanks are due to the presenters and to Kathleen Foley for organising the seminars.

The first of the co-hosted Federal Court/Monash University/CommBar National Commercial Law Seminar Series took place on 3 September to a packed Court 1 in the Federal Court.

The topic was "Current issues in the interpretation of Federal Legislation". The seminar was chaired by former Chief Justice Black and papers were presented by Justice Kenny, Professor Jeff Goldsworthy and Mark Moshinsky SC.

The next seminar in this excellent series is scheduled for Monday 21 October 2013 on Unconscionability and Good Faith in Business Transactions. The session will be chaired by the Honourable Ray Finkelstein QC and presented by Chief Justice Allsop, the Dean of Monash Law School Professor Bryan Horrigan and Dr Paul Vout of our Bar.

During the period, one of the founding members of CommBar and a former Chairman of the Bar, Melanie Sloss SC was appointed to the Supreme Court of Victoria.

CommBar member Joseph Santamaria QC was also appointed to the Court of Appeal.

On behalf of the members of CommBar, I congratulate both judges on their well-deserved appointments.

On 6 August 2013 we were fortunate to have her Ladyship Mrs Justice Andrews, a Judge of the Queens Bench Division of the High Court of England and Wales speak on the topic of guarantees. Her Honour is the co-author of the leading textbook "The Law of Guarantees" (published by Thomson, Sweet & Maxwell).

On 12 September, CommBar hosted a retirement dinner for the Honourable David Habersberger QC at the Essoign Club. Over one hundred people were in attendance, and speeches were made by the Chairman of the Bar, Fiona McLeod SC and David Habersberger QC. It was a privilege for CommBar to be able to host this function for David, and to celebrate his service to both the Bar and Bench.

Lastly, a date has now been set for the annual CommBar cocktail function. These will be held at the Federal Court on 6 November 2013. Please put the date in your diaries. Further details and invitations will follow in due course.



William Lye Chair of the Asia Practice Section of the Commercial Bar Association, her Ladyship Mrs Justice Andrews, Dr Josh Wilson SC, Will Alstergren SC, Vice Chairman of the Victorian Bar Council

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#### **Quotes of Note**

There is no wisdom equal to that which comes after the event. Geraldine Jewsbury

If I had refused to institute a negotiation or had not persevered in it, I would have been degraded in my own estimation as a man of honor. John Adams

#### **Arbitration and ADR**



Article by Albert Monichino SC

Coeclerici Asia (Pte) Ltd v Gujarat NRE Coke Limited [2013] FCA 882

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## **Asia Practice**





Update by Dr Josh Wilson SC and William Lye

China Seeks Equity - China Gets Equity

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## **Banking and Finance**



Case Note by Samantha Cipriano

National Australia Bank Ltd v Clowers [2013] NSWCA 179

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## **Construction Law**



## Case Note by David McAndrew

<u>Hudspeth v Scholastic Cleaning and Consultancy Services Pty Ltd & Ors. (No. 6) [2013]</u> VSC 159 (9 April 2013)



Case Note by Adam Rollnik

<u>Dura (Australia) Constructions Pty Ltd v Hue Boutique Living Pty Ltd [2013] VSCA 179</u> (26 July 2013)



**Case Note by Andrew Downie** 

WTE Co-Generation & Anor v RCR Energy Pty Ltd & Anor [2013] VSC 314 (21 June 2013)

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## **Corporations and Securities**

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<u>Legal Services Board v Gillespie-Jones [2013] HCA 35 (14 August 2013)</u>

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## **Insolvency Law**



## Case Notes by Andrew Mapp

Ackers (as joint foreign representative) v Saad Investments Company Limited; In the matter of Saad Investments Company Limited (in offical liquidation) [2013] FCA 738

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## **Insurance and Professional Negligence**



Case Note by Alexandra Golding

Prepaid Services Pty Ltd & Ors v Atradius Credit Insurance NV [2013] NSWCA 252

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## **Public Law**

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Bare v Small [2013] VSCA 204

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## **Sports Law**



**Monitors Report by Andrew Downie** 

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