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Professional Indemnity Insurance For The Singapore Architect – Nice To Have Or Necessity? – 29 September 2005 (Thursday)

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SYNOPSIS

As Singapore transforms itself into a gateway city much work remains to be done to put in place the infrastructure to realize the vision. Yet as can be seen from several recent major construction failures our best efforts may not be enough. Among the causes identified for the recent Nicoll Highway collapse was a failure to institute a regular close and effective monitoring regime and a failure to demonstrate the necessary level of care.

In order for Architects to discharge their duties fully they must be able to show that they had exercised reasonable skill, care and diligence in the performance of their roles long after their contractual obligations are discharged.

This talk examines the role that professional indemnity insurance can play to protect Singapore Architects and their clients from losses arising from professional errors and omissions. By looking at the background legal case law, insurers response to applications and claims, the handling of actual claims scenarios against architects, conclusions can be drawn whether Professional Indemnity Insurance for the Singapore Architect is nice to have or a necessity.

PROFILE

Ramesh Lulla

Mr. Ramesh Lulla is CEO of Able Insurance Brokers Pte Ltd. Affectionately known as Mr. PI, Ramesh has been closely associated with Professional Liability Insurance for 30 years. In that time, he has witnessed Professional Indemnity insurance become from something unheard of in general to what it is today.

Subramanian A. Pillai

Mr. Pillai is a Director of ACIES Law Corporation and is head of the firm's Construction, Engineering and Infrastructure Projects Practice. He obtained his LLB (Honours) from the University of Essex, England in 1988 and was admitted as a Barrister-at-Law (Middle Temple) in 1989. In 1991, he was called to the Singapore Bar. Mr. Pillai has been in continuous legal practice in Singapore for the past 14 years. During this time, he has advised Architects, Engineers and Developers on a variety of Design and Engineering liability issues. He has also acted and continues to act for several Architects and Engineers in Professional Liability claims. Mr. Pillai is a Member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators in London and the Singapore Institute of Arbitrators.

Francis Lim Wee Chern

Handles various professional indemnity classes of insurance since 2001, Francis is responsible for the overall PI underwriting of the QBE Insurance (International) Ltd, Singapore operation as well as assisting the regional underwriters from Vietnam, PNG, Thailand and Indonesia. In addition to underwriting expertise he also provide technical support to the claims department on the PI claims issues. Francis graduated with Degree in Business Studies (Economic and Finance) and is a member of the Chartered Insurance Institute and Singapore Insurance Institute.

G. P. Teo

Mr Teo is a Senior Manager, Claims in QBE Insurance (International) Limited (QBE). He obtained his LL.B. (Hons) in 1986 before joining the insurance industry. Whilst on the job, he pursued further studies and obtained his ACII and became a Chartered Insurer. Prior to joining QBE, he worked in an insurance brokers firm, a local underwriting company and a Swiss underwriting company. When in the Swiss underwriting company, his responsibilities include managing the claims operations in Singapore and Malaysia and establishing and managing a policy processing centre in Malacca. The policy processing centre was set up to process policies for customers in Singapore, which was one initiative to manage cost. He contributed articles to the Singapore Insurance Law Association's magazine and is a part time lecturer in the Singapore College of Insurance.

Jordan Chua

Mr. Chua is a Director of Insight Adjusters and Surveyors Pte Ltd. He holds a Diploma in Civil Engineering and a Master in Business Administration. He is a Fellow of Singapore Insurance Institute and one of few chartered loss adjusters in Singapore who are Fellow member of the Chartered Institute of Loss Adjusters (UK), Australasian Institute of Chartered Loss Adjusters and FUEDI- European Loss Adjusting Expert. Insight is the nominated adjusters for many prestigious contracts in Singapore including the MRT, Deep Tunnel Sewerage System, Suntec City etc. Mr Chua had handled many construction and liability claims not only in Singapore but took him to the region including China, Philippines, Thailand, Myanmar, Malaysia, Indonesia, Vietnam, Cambodia, South Africa and France.

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- 5.45pm Registration
- 6.15pm Welcome Note by **Mr Thomas Lew**, SIA
- 6.20pm **Mr. Ramesh Lulla**
- Introduction to the Talk & the value of coordination
- 6.30pm **Mr. Subramanian A. Pillai**
- Singapore Architect's negligence case law
- 7.00pm **Mr Francis Lim Wee Chern**
- Important points to note under Professional Indemnity Policy for Architects
- 7.30pm Break
- 7.50pm **Mr G P Teo**
- Notifications / Claims Management
- 8.20pm **Mr Jordan Chua**
- Value of independent assessment
- 8.50pm Questions & Answers
- 9.15pm End

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