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PROGRAMME



A seminar organised by  
Singapore Institute of  
Architects

## SIA Weekend Seminar: Lessons from the Common Issues Encountered in Security of Payment Adjudications

**Date** : 12 May 2012, Saturday  
**Venue** : Singapore Institute of Architects  
SIA Theatre - Level 1  
79 Neil Road S(088904)  
**Time** : 9.30am - 12.00pm

### PROGRAMME

9.00am Registration  
9.30am Presentation by Mr Edwin Lee Peng Khoon  
10.20am Tea Break  
10.40am Presentation by Ms Looi Ming Ming  
11.30am Questions & Answers  
12.00pm End

SIA Member	S\$ 50.00
BOA Registered Architects/ CIJC Member	S\$ 75.00
Non-Member	S\$ 100.00

Registration on First-Come-First-Serve Basis  
BOA-SIA CPD Accreditation **6 points**

### SYNOPSIS

This seminar gathers together the common issues arising from adjudication applications under the Building and Construction Industry Security of Payment Act (SOPA), and discusses their impact on architects. As an administrator or certifier of the construction contract, the architect's roles, duties and liabilities brought about by the SOPA have changed. The seminar will discuss the matters which the architect should look out for when administering the contract, in relation to the SOPA. As potential users of the SOPA for recovery of payment, attendees at the seminar will also learn of the ways in which interests may be safeguarded and pitfalls may be avoided when filing claims for payment.

Some of the issues that will be covered and benefits to be gained include:  
Common legal issues encountered when dealing with SOPA claims, and how to deal with them  
Common problems with the preparation of payment claims and payment responses  
Making proper use of the Security of Payment Act to make claims  
Avoid being taken by surprise by claim  
What can and cannot be included in a claim?  
When is it too late to make a claim?  
How to apply for adjudication, and how to prepare for it.

### SPEAKERS PROFILE



**Edwin Lee Peng Khoon**, Partner, Eldan Law LLP

In his over 18 years of practice, Edwin has conducted both cases in court as well as at arbitration, and has advised government authorities, developers, contractors, and consultants on numerous aspects of building contract law. Previously a partner in Rajah & Tann LLP, he is one of the founding partners in the law firm Eldan Law LLP.

Edwin is an accredited adjudicator with the Singapore Mediation Centre, and a member of the Construction Adjudication Accreditation Committee, which oversees the selection and assessment of adjudicators. He has acted as counsel in numerous adjudications, and has also sat as both an adjudicator and as a review adjudicator to hear adjudication reviews.

Apart from his active practice, he is also an Adjunct Assistant Professor with the National University of Singapore, and also lectures on Building Contract Law at the Singapore Institute of Management for a degree programme on project management administered by the Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology.

Edwin is also the author of the book, Building Contract Law in Singapore, a co-author of Law & Practice of Injunctions in Singapore, co-author of Confidentiality in Arbitration, and one of the general editors of the Singapore Construction Adjudication Review.



**Looi Ming Ming**, Partner, Eldan Law LLP

Ming Ming has been practising in the field of commercial arbitration and litigation, with a particular focus on building, engineering and infrastructure projects for close to 10 years. She has dealt with disputes from a myriad of angles, having acted both for and against government agencies and statutory authorities, management corporations, developers, contractors and consultants.

She is equally familiar with the review, drafting and strategic negotiations for building, engineering and infrastructure contracts, from inception to fruition.

The projects which Ming Ming has handled include oil & gas projects, having acted for one of Indonesia's leading engineering and mining contractors in their claims in relation to works at the Belanak Field of the Natuna Sea, and also acting for the subsidiary of a public-listed Australian engineering firm in arbitration proceedings instituted by a Thai party claiming time being set at large, extensions of time, acceleration, disruption and prolongation costs and outstanding payment for variation orders, in connection with a project in the Gulf of Khambatt, off Gujarat, India.

She is a contributor to the Construction chapter of Singapore Precedents of Pleadings (Singapore: Sweet & Maxwell. 2006).

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