

NUTS & BOLTS SERIES 2006: CIVIL PROCEDURE

Tuesday, 22 August 2006, 2.30pm to 6.00pm

About this Seminar

This seminar, organised by the Civil Practice and Continuing Professional Development Committees of the Law Society with the support of the Subordinate Courts of Singapore, takes a practical and interactive approach in discussing 3 key aspects of recent developments in civil procedure:

Modes Of Commencement

This session discusses important developments concerning the recent changes to the originating processes. The writ remains essentially the same but the originating summons is now used much more extensively (in place of the abandoned petition and originating motion). The procedure governing the originating summons has also been extensively reformed.

Summary Judgment

The requirement that an application for summary judgment must be made within a specific period of time and the procedure applicable when the defendant wishes to make a concurrent application for stay have been the subject of judicial observation in several cases. A case study will also be used to discuss the Order 14 application from the perspective of judge and counsel for the Plaintiff and Defendant.

Enforcement Of Judgments

Important reforms have been introduced to coordinate the processes of enforcement in the subordinate courts. This is important to the practitioner because it is easy to be confused by the many avenues which might be taken. The limitation imposed on the garnishee order (e.g. it cannot be used to attach salaries) may also be discussed.

Programme Outline

TIMING	DESCRIPTION
2.30-3.00pm	Registrations & Refreshments
3.00-3.10pm	Opening Remarks by Chairperson <i>Professor Jeffrey Pinsler – Faculty of Law, National University of Singapore</i>
3.10-3.50pm	Modes of Commencement: a) Updates on Modes of Commencement: <i>Mr Earnest Lau – Deputy Registrar, Subordinate Courts of Singapore</i> b) Panel Discussion / Q&A Session moderated by Professor Pinsler: <i>Mr Earnest Lau – Deputy Registrar, Subordinate Courts of Singapore;</i> <i>Mr Vinodh Coomaraswamy SC – Partner, M/s Shook Lin & Bok; Member, Civil Practice Committee, The Law Society of Singapore;</i> <i>Mr Randolph Khoo – Director, Drew & Napier LLC</i>
3.50-4.40pm	Summary Judgment: a) Introduction by <i>Professor Jeffrey Pinsler</i> b) A presentation on a case study from the perspectives of: ▪ Judge: <i>Mr Earnest Lau – Deputy Registrar, Subordinate Courts of Singapore</i> ▪ Counsel for Plaintiff: <i>Mr Vinodh Coomaraswamy SC – Partner, M/s Shook Lin & Bok</i> ▪ Counsel for Defendant: <i>Mr Randolph Khoo – Director, Drew & Napier LLC</i>
4.40-5.00pm	Break
5.00-5.15pm	Discussion on Summary Judgment Case Study – moderated by <i>Professor Jeffrey Pinsler</i>
5.15-5.50pm	Effective Enforcement of Judgments: a) Overview of various modes of enforcement: <i>Mr Earnest Lau – Deputy Registrar, Subordinate Courts of Singapore</i> b) Panel Discussion sharing practical ways to maximise prospects of enforcement: <i>Ms Sim Bock Eng – Partner, M/s WongPartnership</i> <i>Mr Tan Keh Whoo – Director, Advent Law Corporation</i>
5.50-6.00pm	Closing Remarks & Wrap Up – <i>Professor Jeffrey Pinsler</i>

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About the Chairperson

Professor Jeffrey Pinsler is a professor of law in the Faculty of Law, National University of Singapore where he teaches the Law of Criminal and Civil Evidence, Civil Justice and procedure and dispute resolution. He is a leading writer on these subjects and his latest publications include: *'Singapore Court Practice 2005,' Evidence, Advocacy and the Litigation Process* (2nd ed, 2003) and *Civil Practice in Singapore and Malaysia* (updated to May 2006 by 29 re-issues). He is an accredited mediator of the Singapore Mediation Centre, a member of the regional panel of arbitrators of the Singapore International Arbitration Centre and a Fellow of the Singapore Institute of Arbitrators.

Venue: Grand Plaza Parkroyal Ballroom 1, Level 2 10 Coleman Street, Singapore (Registrations start at 2.30pm.)	Fee: S\$ 105.00 (Members of Law Society, SCCA & Employees of Singapore Law Practices) S\$ 168.00 (non-Members) (includes 5% GST, materials & refreshments)
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