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**To**

***MEMBERS' NITE***

Date : 28 May 2009 (Thursday)  
Time : 6.30pm to 10.30pm  
Venue : Oso Bar  
46 Bukit Pasoh Road – Level 1  
Singapore 089858  
Charges : SI Arb members – S\$50  
Others – S\$70

**Programme:**

6.00pm – 6.30pm Registrations  
6.30pm – 7.30pm Welcome Cocktails  
7.30pm – 7.45pm Opening Address by SI Arb President, Mr. Johnny Tan Cheng Hye, PBM,  
7.45pm – 8.00pm Talk by Mr. Andrew Chan, Partner, Allen & Gledhill LLP  
“Pre-appointment discussions – To what extent can parties speak to a potential arbitrator prior to appointment”  
8.00pm – 8.30pm Presentation of Certificates  
SI Arb International Entry Course 2008 & Fellowship Assessment Course 2008  
8.30pm – 10.30pm Refreshments and Networking

**About the Talk:**

It is not uncommon for parties to communicate with potential arbitrators before their appointment. Practically, this would be done so as to determine the availability of the candidate, e.g. that there is no conflict of interest in accepting appointment. It is not unusual for parties to ask for the CV, experience or other information relating the candidate. In principle, a degree of communication should be permitted. However, how far may the communications go? ... *That is the question.*

**About the Speaker:**

**Mr. Andrew Chan** is a Partner in Litigation & Dispute Resolution and Joint Deputy Head of the Corporate Restructuring and Insolvency Practice Group of Allen & Gledhill LLP. His practice encompasses commercial work, and is a specialist in dispute resolution (especially arbitration), trusts, and insolvency (corporate and personal). In arbitration, he has acted as counsel, arbitrator and expert on Singapore law. *The Asia Pacific Legal 500 2007/2008* edition recommends him for international arbitration. *Asialaw Profiles (2007)* lists Andrew as a key practitioner under Dispute Resolution. Andrew is a Fellow and a Council member of the Singapore Institute of Arbitrators (as well as being on its panel of tutors) and a director of newly incorporated American Arbitration Association Pte Ltd. Andrew has written over sixty articles covering many areas of the law and has contributed to various publications. On arbitration, he has written extensively and is a co-author of the Singapore Chapter of the publication *Arbitration in Asia*.

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