

PARTY AUTONOMY IN ARBITRATION: USE & ABUSE

“The panellists will discuss party autonomy in arbitration, a very important aspect of arbitration often taken for granted not only by disputing parties but by arbitrators. The concept of party autonomy, i.e. the sanctity of parties’ agreement, will be explained before going into its benefits, limitations and problem areas. Arbitrators and disputing parties will gain from the insight shared by the panellists, including the dos and don’ts of party autonomy.”



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Daniel Tan is the founder for Tan Chun Hao Advocates and Solicitors. The firm was established in 2010. It is a boutique law firm specialising in construction and engineering projects in the region. Its primary area of practice covers dispute avoidance, arbitration,

adjudication, contract drafting, negotiations and in-house training for various parties involved in the construction and engineering industries. The firm takes pride in providing high level services that also exceed expectations both in terms of time and cost.

Daniel, with dual qualifications in Civil Engineering and in Law, brings with him over 25 years of experience in this area of practice, and when appropriate, he works closely with external law firms and contracts consultants, sharing their pool of resources and combining their expertise towards ensuring that the high expectations of clientele can be met.

Notable project experience includes:

- Hydroelectric Dam, Terengganu
- Hydroelectric Dam, Bakun, Sarawak
- Biomass Power Plant, Sabah
- LNG Power Plant, Brunei
- Petroleum Tank Farm, Johor
- 24km Bridge, Penang
- Port Reclamation works, Sabah
- Paper Mill, Sabah
- Twin Towers, Kuala Lumpur
- Customs, Immigration and Quarantine Complex, Johor
- Port Dredging and Reclamation works, Penang
- Dam, Penang
- MRT, Selangor
- Monorail, Kuala Lumpur
- Double Tracking, Selangor & Perak
- Central Train Station, Kuala Lumpur
- Sewerage Pipelaying for Township, Negeri Sembilan



Rodney has significant experience of 30 years at the Malaysian Bar being involved in matters relating to arbitration, adjudication, conciliation, mediation, and litigation matters involving construction contracts, consultancy agreements, engineering contracts, infrastructure projects, procurement contracts, and project management and implementation. He is presently the head of the firm's Infrastructure & Projects practice group as well as the Engineering & Construction practice group.

Rodney also has a wealth of experience in planning and development as well as the management of public-private partnerships, private finance initiatives and other related issues that arise in the area of infrastructure and construction related projects.

Rodney appears frequently as an Arbitrator in construction and engineering disputes, and as Counsel in all levels of the Malaysian Courts. He has also appeared in international arbitration proceedings, international adjudication proceedings as well as several mediation proceedings. With the introduction of the Construction Industry Payment and Adjudication Act, 2012, he also now acts as Adjudicator and as Counsel in adjudication proceedings.

In addition to the above, Rodney has also regularly assisted clients in drafting construction and engineering contracts and has provided advice on project implementation of numerous building and engineering contracts in areas such as light rail transport, facility for biodiesel plants, power plant facilities, residential housing, telecommunication towers, etc.



Darshendev Singh is a Partner with Lee Hishammuddin Allen & Gledhill. His primary area of practice is commercial dispute resolution with a focus on complex disputes relating to construction, engineering, oil & gas, and infrastructure projects. Besides regularly sitting as an arbitrator and an adjudicator, Darshendev also represents clients in international and domestic arbitration, litigation, mediation and adjudication.

The Legal 500 / Benchmark Litigation Asia-Pacific has described him as a lawyer who “provides critical yet practical insight with his sharp intellect and surgical precision of the facts. He is reliable, efficient, and experienced”, “is exceptional and stands out from competitors because of his knowledge in the field, his meticulous nature in disputes and his dedication to do his best for his clients”, and “is very solution-oriented and always provides practical solutions to clients. He is intelligent, aggressive, sharp, meticulous and has great advocacy skills, which are something clients look for in a litigator.”

Darshendev, who was the former chairperson of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (Malaysia) Young Members Group, is a frequent speaker on the international circuit and contributes to global publications on arbitration and construction law landscape.