

Chartered Institute of Arbitrators

### **CIArb**

## International Commercial Arbitration Workshops & Award Writing Examination

November 18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>, 2011



Paris Hotel Las Vegas, Nevada, USA







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#### **Workshop Option #1: Accelerated Route to Member Program**

The Accelerated Route to Member program is designed for practitioners with a fair knowledge of basic legal principles and dispute resolution mechanisms. The course introduces concepts and principles of international commercial arbitration practice and is sufficient to qualify for the level of Member in the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators.

This fast-track route is designated for busy, legally qualified professionals who have a law qualification and some knowledge of the law of arbitration. The programme has been devised to take into account knowledge and experience gained through academic and practical means.

Those not legally qualified may of course take the program, but will be admitted into CIArb membership at Associate (ACIArb) grade.

**Who Should Attend?** You wish to learn more about arbitration and its benefits to users. You are considering further study to become a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and Chartered Arbitrator. You wish to become a Member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CIArb).

**Course Content:** Comparison of Dispute Resolution Procedures, UNCITRAL, Powers and Jurisdiction of the Arbitrator, Preliminary Meetings, Costs and Interest, Procedure at the Hearing, Essentials of an Award

**Assessment:** Post Course Examination is limited to Member (MCIArb) level only (does not qualify for Fellowship level Award Writing Exam described below)

**Assessment Result:** Successfully completing the assignment allows legally qualified delegate to apply for entry to CIArb at the grade of Member (MCIArb), and any non-legally qualified delegates for entry at Associate (ACIArb) grade.

#### **Workshop Option #2: Accelerated Route to Fellowship Program**

The Accelerated Route to Fellowship Program is a designed for practitioners with at least ten years experience in dispute resolution procedures. Fellowship is the highest grade of Institute membership and allows the use of the designation FCIArb. The Program focuses on applicable laws and procedures for the conduct of efficient arbitration hearings in complex international cases. Satisfactory assessment of performance in role play exercises will permit the candidate to take the award writing examination for qualification as a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, which will be administered as part of the program. It is a process comprised of three elements:

- 1. Oral Assessment: This element of the Accelerated Route to Fellowship Program consists of two days of oral assessment based on a case study of a dispute. You will be assessed on your knowledge, judgment and self-presentation on a series of problems, written exercises and role play, as well as your reasoned award writing ability.
- 2. Award Writing Examination: This element consists of a written open book examination in which an Award must be written and fully reasoned, based on the evidence in an arbitration proceeding. The exam is administered as part of this weekend program. To receive a passing grade, the Award must meet international standards for enforcement
- 3. Peer Review Interview: This element follows successful completion of Award Writing and is scheduled at a convenient interval after the workshop concludes.

**Who Should Attend?** *Either* Practicing lawyers with at least 10 years litigation experience *or* Practicing Arbitrators active for at least 10 years.

Assessment: Continual assessment throughout the workshop and award writing exam.

Assessment Result: Successful attendance at the Accelerated Route to Fellowship program allows the delegate to apply for Member status with the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and to take the Award Writing Examination. Successful completion of the Award Writing Examination and Peer Review Interview allows the delegate to apply for Fellow status or upgrade to Fellow status if already an ACIArb (Associate) or MCIArb (Member). (For full details of route to Fellowship, please visit the London website <a href="https://www.CIArb.org">www.CIArb.org</a>).

#### THE FACULTY



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.....And others drawn from the ranks of vetted faculty members of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators

#### **Frequently Asked Questions**

#### What will happen in the oral assessment sessions?

You will be in small groups with an assessor. You will be given a case study of a commercial contract and the events which lead to a dispute arising. During the assessment workshops, various situations or problems which might arise during arbitration will be put to you and you will discuss how you would deal with them. There is also a written exercise and the opportunity for you to take part in role play.

#### What grade of membership will I be entitled to?

If you complete the oral and written assessments for the Accelerated Route to Member program, but do not pass, and are not already a member of CIArb, you will be entitled to apply for Associate (ACIArb) membership. If you are successful in the oral and written assessments you will be able to apply for Member (MCIArb) grade. If you complete the oral and written assessments for the Accelerated Route to Fellowship program you will be able to apply for Fellow status (FCIArb).

#### **About the Timing**

The workshops will commence at 9:00 AM on Friday, November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2011 and conclude at 5:00 PM on Saturday, November 19th, 2011. The award writing examination for the Accelerated Route to Fellowship Program will commence at 9:00 AM and conclude at 1:00 PM on Sunday, November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2011. The award writing examination for the Accelerated Route to Member Program will commence at 9:00 AM and conclude at 11:00 AM on Sunday, November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2011

We are anticipating strong demand for these programs and would ask that you confirm registration at the earliest possible date.

#### Venue

A block of rooms has been reserved at the **Paris Hotel**, **Las Vegas**, **Nevada**, **3655 Las Vegas Blvd.**, **South**, **Las Vegas**, **Nevada 89109**, for the Workshop participants for the nights of November 17, 18 and 19th, 2011. Individual room rates are set at **\$99.00** on Thursday, November 17, 2011 and **\$129.00** on Friday, November 18, 2011 and Saturday, November 19, 2011. *The \$99.99 rate will also apply to the 3 days prior and the 3 days after the event dates in case anyone wishes to extend their stay.* When reserving rooms, make reference to the "**Chartered Institute of Arbitrators Training Session**" to get the special rate.

Information regarding the hotel and its amenities is listed on their webpage under: www.parislasvegas.com

To make your lodging reservation, please call the hotel directly at 1-877- 603-4389 and refer to group code SPCIA1

Rooms will be held at the discounted rate only until Tuesday, October 18th, 2011.



### The Chartered Institute of Arbitrators North American Branch International Commercial Arbitration Training

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#### **Award Writing Examinations**

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	Accelerated route to (Please check one) Membership or Fellowship.  I enclose a check made payable to "The Chartered Institute of Arbitrators – North American Branch" in the following amount:  If before September 5, 2011 in the amount of (US) \$1,950.00.*  If after September 5, 2011 in the amount of (US) \$2,150.00.*  * Fee includes all workshop materials, coffee, refreshments, continental breakfast, lunch and dinner on November 18 <sup>th</sup> , 2011, Continental breakfast and lunch on November 19th, 2011, and continental breakfast on November 20 <sup>th</sup> . Tuition for Accelerated Route to Fellowship Program includes the Oral Assessment, Award Writing examination, and Peer Interview upon successful completion of the Award Writing Examination. For applicants requiring a Visa Letter there is an additional cost of \$75 (to defray expenses). Cancellation fee of \$150 if cancellation is prior to October 5 <sup>th</sup> , 2011, \$300 if after October 5 <sup>th</sup> , 2011 but prior to November 1st, 2011, and full tuition if cancellation is after November 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2011.						
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#### **About the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators**

Founded in 1915, to provide a membership organization for arbitrators, the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators is now the world's leading centre of excellence for the promotion and facilitation of dispute resolution.

The Institute is a registered charity with more than 11,800 members in over 110 countries and an international network of 34 Branches. Recognized as the professional home for all dispute resolvers, the Institute provides the highest educational standards and is an international resource centre for practitioners, policy makers, academics and those in business concerned with the cost effective and early settlement of disputes.

In facilitating the determination of disputes, the Institute operates in a wide variety of business and commercial sectors including: financial services, insurance, shipping, commodities, the media, medicine, sports, travel, telecommunications and technology construction, engineering and the automobile industry. The Institute's sphere of interest is constantly being widened to encompass other sectors.

The Institute offers education and training throughout the world, providing assured global standards - giving confidence to arbitration and ADR users that the very best practitioner is helping to resolve their dispute. Chartered status for Arbitrators was introduced in 1999 as a "gold standard" for practitioners. A similar program is in development towards Fellowship status for mediators. We are working with partners in Africa, China, the Middle East and Russia to raise international standards and contribute towards good governance.

#### Disclaimer

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