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OPERATING AS WITHERS KHATTARWONG LLP IN SINGAPORE.

Spring is a partner in the litigation and arbitration team.

She is experienced in commercial litigation and arbitration, international arbitration, adjudication, mediation, involving commercial, corporate, insurance and indemnity, employment, probate disputes, with a special focus on construction matters.

Spring undertakes a wide range of contentious and non-contentious matters relating to the building and construction industry. She regularly represents clients in disputes resolution and litigation involving construction contracts, as well as advising clients on employment issues. Her portfolio of non-contentious work includes providing opinions and reviewing of contracts such as pre/post tender and project administration in relation to construction related documents, as well as employment contracts. Her clients include developers, investors, insurers, main/sub-contractors, suppliers, architects, engineers, management corporations of strata titles, subsidiary proprietors, and owners.

In addition, Spring has a keen interest in Sports Law. She has successfully completed the Certificate Programme in Sports Arbitration organised by the Asian International Arbitration Centre, and has assisted with the appeals panel in one of the world sports federation in arbitration and preparing the final award. Spring is also a panel member of the Asian Sports Tribunal which is part of the sports alternative dispute resolution arm of the Asian International Arbitration Centre. She has also been appointed to sit as one of the Legal Members of SportsSG Safe Sport Disciplinary Panel comprising of independent individuals appointed by the Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth (MCCY) of Singapore to perform adjudicative functions to hear, resolve and adjudicate safe sport reports and violations for member organisations under the Safe Sport Programme.

Spring is also an accredited Mediator with the Singapore International Mediation Institute (SIMI).

Track record

ICC Arbitration

ICC Arbitration relating to disputes between shareholders of BVI companies involved in hydro-power plant projects in the Philippines.

Arbitration under UNCITRAL rules

Arbitration under UNCITRAL rules relating to disputes between shareholders of Philippine company involved in hydro-power plant projects in the Philippines.

Arbitration under SIA Rules

Arbitration under SIA Rules relating to disputes arising from the redevelopment of a recreational club in Singapore.

National Arts Council

Advised the National Arts Council on the redevelopment project of Victoria Theatre and Victoria Concert Hall.

Construction contracts

Advised on construction contracts, project issues and legal actions of property developments at Sentosa Cove, Singapore.

Power and Steam Purchase Agreement

Represented and advised in disputes on Power and Steam Purchase Agreement and Engineering and Equipment Supply Agreement relating to a Bio-Diesel Co-Generation Plant on Jurong Island, Singapore.

Marina Bay Sands project

Represented and advised the exclusive supplier of ready-mixed concrete for the Marina Bay Sands Integrated Resorts project in concluding their umbrella contract.

Professional negligence claim

Represented architects in defending a professional negligence claim in relation to a commercial project.

Operation and Maintenance agreement

Advised on Operation and Maintenance Agreement and Project Management Agreement of a Power Plant in Indonesia.

Talks

- Speaker, International Bar Association 7th Biennial Conference on Construction Projects from Conception to Completion
- Speaker, Asian International Arbitration Centre, International Sports Conference 2019
- Speaker, Hill International and CIOB Masterclass on Delay, Disruption, Disputes and the Latest Developments in Construction Contracts
- Speaker, Seminar cum Workshop on (1) Disputes in Construction Contracts - Adjudication, Arbitration or Court? (2) SOP Workshop - DIY Adjudication is possible - organised by SCAL (Singapore Contractors Association Ltd)
- Speaker, Important Considerations For Contract Drafting, at Practical Construction Contracts & Law organised by the Asia Business Forum
- Speaker, on The Sop Act, Adjudication And Enforcement Of Adjudicated Amount at Tax Issues and Construction Contracts for Property Developers Seminar organized by Real Estate Developers' Association of Singapore
- Speaker, on Variations, Delays, Liquidated Damages, Extension Of Time & Other Claims, The SOP Act, at Rights and Obligations in Construction Contracts, a seminar organized by CPG Laboratories Pte Ltd.
- Speaker, Contractual Rights and Obligations in Design and Build Contracts: What Project Administrators Should or Should Not Do, organized for interested clients and related companies.

External publications

'The Law of Credit and Security' updated Chapter 11, Singapore Law Commentaries of Singapore Commercial Laws

Admissions

Singapore, 2000

Education

University of London, LLB (Hons)

Middle Temple, Barrister-at-Law

Languages

English

Mandarin

Memberships

Singapore Academy of Law

Law Society of Singapore

Society of Construction Law (Singapore)

Singapore Institute of Arbitrators (MSIArb)

Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (MCIArb)

International Bar Association

Asian Institute of Alternative Dispute Resolution, Fellow (Pioneer Member)

Asian Sports Tribunal, Panel Member

Key dates

Year joined: 2005

Year became partner: 2015

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