

JTJB and LISCR (Singapore) Joint Seminar on “*The Griffon: The Ghost of Blankenstein – Payment of Deposit under a MOA* & Open Registry Vessel Registration Roundtable”

ABOUT THE SEMINAR

The Griffon: The Ghost of Blankenstein – Payment of Deposit under a MOA

Speaker: Mr. Danny Chua, JTJB, Senior Partner

This seminar topic considers the recent case of *The Griffon* [2014] 1 All ER (Comm) 593, in which the English Court of Appeal departed from the previously held view that a seller is only entitled to claim compensation for its losses where a buyer fails to pay the deposit under a memorandum of agreement for the sale of a vessel. Danny will also examine the practical issues in respect of the seller’s right to claim for the deposit under the MOA, even where no loss has been suffered.

An Open Registry Vessel Registration Roundtable

Speaker: Ms. Hilary Spilkin, Liberian Corporate Registry, Managing Director

An overview of the Liberian Registry, registrations / mortgage procedures and introduction to the corporate registry.

- Brief introduction and history of the registry
- Overview of the administration and role of the corporate registry
- Various business entities under the Associations Law
- Brief overview of formation requirements
- Redomiciliation, merger, consolidation of business entities
- Voluntary filings and recordations
- Foreign Maritime Entities
- eCorp

SEMINAR PROGRAM

Time	Activity
3:00pm – 3:40pm	<i>The Griffon: The Ghost of Blankenstein – Payment of Deposit under a MOA</i> <i>By: Mr. Danny Chua, JTJB, Senior Partner</i>
3:40pm – 4:00pm	Open Registry Vessel Registration Roundtable <i>By: Ms. Hilary Spilkin, Liberian Corporate Registry, Managing Director</i>
4:00pm – 4:15pm	Q & A
4:15pm – 4:30pm	Tea and Networking

SEMINAR SLIDES

Please note that slides will be sent to the email addresses you have indicated in the registration form. Thank you.

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Upon graduating with a Bachelor of Arts' 2nd Class Upper Honours Degree in law and upon being called to the English Bar at Gray's Inn, Danny returned to Singapore where he commenced practice with Messrs Godwin & Co, then the leading Shipping & Maritime law firm in Singapore before joining Messrs Khattar Wong & Partners in 1989 where he was a partner and Head of the Shipping Department. He joined Joseph Tan Jude Benny in September 1999 and is now a Senior Partner in the firm. Danny was named by Chambers Global Directory 2000 and 2001 Editions as one of the "Leaders in their Field" of Shipping Law and was also listed in the Euromoney Legal Group Guide to the World's Leading Shipping & Maritime Lawyers. He was also named in The WHO'SWHOLEGAL, Singapore 2008 Edition.

He specialises in Shipping & Admiralty law and the areas of work include shipping transactional work such as Shipbuilding, Ship Financing, Sale & Purchase and Registration of vessels, and shipping disputes on Charterparties, Offshore Oil & Gas, casualties at sea, bunker disputes and contamination of liquid cargo.



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