

# WORKSHOP SERIES



## Navigating Defects Claims in Construction Disputes

### WORKSHOP OVERVIEW

Defects can manifest in a variety of ways and at different times throughout the lifecycle of a building, from its construction to its service life. It is not always easy to distinguish defects from wear and tear, or to identify the party who is responsible for alleged defects. It is therefore unsurprising that defects are a major source of disputes in the built environment sector. This workshop will focus on the legal implications of defects, and how to navigate defects claims from both the employer's and the contractor's perspectives.

### INSIGHTS

In this workshop, the speakers will discuss the following topics:

1. What is the legal definition of a defect?
2. Common types and categories of defects;
3. Defects claims made *before* the expiry of the maintenance / defects liability period, and the legal basis for such claims;
4. Defects claims made *after* the expiry of the maintenance / defects liability period, and the legal basis for such claims;
5. Limitation periods applicable to defects claims;
6. Practical tips for preparing defects claims;
7. Remedies for defects.

### KNOWLEDGE PARTNERS



**Kirindeep Singh**  
**Senior Partner**  
**Dentons Rodyk & Davidson LLP**

Kirindeep Singh is a Senior partner in Dentons Rodyk's Litigation & Dispute Resolution and Arbitration practice groups. He is also Co-Head of the Construction and International Trade

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**Mr Kirindeep Singh**  
**Senior Partner**  
**&**  
**Ms Sheryl Ang**  
**Partner**

**DATE**  
**18 April 2024, Thursday**

**TIME**  
**2.30pm to 5.30pm**

**VENUE**  
*[ to be confirmed ]*

**FEES (subject to GST charge)**  
**\* \$200 (REDAS Member)**  
**\* \$250 (Non-REDAS Member)**

**REGISTRATION**  
**Registration will be closed**  
**on 11 April 2024**

**CPD ACCREDITATION**  
**BOA-SIA: 2 Points**  
**PEB: Pending**

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practices and the Singapore-India relationship partner. Kirin graduated with LLB (Hons) from the University of Leeds in 1995 and with a BCL from Oxford University in 1997.

Kirin's primary practice areas are construction and engineering, energy, arbitration, general civil and commercial litigation and anti-bribery, anti-corruption and white collar and government investigations. In construction and engineering, Kirin has been involved in numerous disputes in adjudication, disputes boards (DABs), arbitration and litigation, both as counsel as well as adjudicator and arbitrator. He represents owners, developers, consultants, and contractors in construction and engineering disputes under standard form and bespoke contracts.

He has acted for parties in various energy (including electricity and power generation) disputes in the region and major infrastructure, building and redevelopment projects in Singapore such as the MRT North-East Line Projects, the MRT Circle Line Projects, the Deep Tunnel Sewage System, the construction of Khoo Teck Puat Hospital, the redevelopment and expansion of the National University Hospital and overseas disputes pertaining to the design and construction of overhead power transmission lines and power plants. In addition, Kirin has been involved in the drafting of various construction and engineering contracts, EPC Contracts pertaining to the Oil & Gas industry, and has often advised on project planning and risk management issues from inception to completion of the project.

Kirin is a contributor to the Singapore Precedents of Pleadings and speaks on a regular basis at various arbitration and construction and engineering conferences in Singapore and overseas. His teaching and training experience includes being a Senior Associate Faculty Lecturer for Construction Law, Bachelor of Building and Project Management Programme, Singapore University of Social Sciences (SUSS), teacher and trainer for the Law Society of Singapore's SILE Advocacy Course and tutor for the National University of Singapore's Trial Advocacy Course. As recently as November and December 2023, he was a speaker at several international conferences including the Dubai International Arbitration Week, Inter Pacific Bar Association, Asia Pacific Forum on International Investments and International Disputes, as well as the Indian Society of Construction Law Conference.

He was appointed by the Singapore Academy of Law as a Senior Accredited Specialist in Building & Construction Law in

2023. The accreditation scheme was introduced as a mark of recognition for a select group of legal practitioners who have gained professional excellence in their areas of practice. He was recently recognised by Asian Legal Business as one of the region's most distinguished and influential litigators in 2023, and was continuously acknowledged by Chambers Asia-Pacific as a Leading Individual for Construction from 2021 to 2023.

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**Ms Sheryl Ang**  
**Partner**

**Dentons Rodyk & Davidson LLP**

Sheryl is a partner in Dentons Rodyk's Litigation and Dispute Resolution practice group. Her main area of practice is commercial litigation and arbitration, with a focus on complex

construction and engineering disputes. She has acted for and advised a wide range of local and overseas contractors in both domestic and international construction arbitrations administered by arbitration institutions such as the Singapore International Arbitration Centre and International Chamber of Commerce.

Sheryl also has extensive experience in acting for both employers and contractors in prosecuting and defending construction-related claims in adjudication proceedings commenced under the Building and Construction Industry Security of Payment Act. Sheryl has also advised and acted for contractors accused of regulatory offences such as causing damage to infrastructure while carrying out construction works. In terms of front-end work, Sheryl has assisted clients with drafting and reviewing general and bespoke terms and conditions for use in construction contracts.

Apart from construction and engineering disputes, Sheryl undertakes a broad range of work including other commercial disputes and shareholder and director disputes. She has also advised insurers in relation to coverage, liability and quantum issues arising under various classes of insurance, including Public Liability, Contractors' / Erection All Risk, Business Interruption, Directors' & Officers' Liability, Professional Indemnity, Health / Life Insurance and other policies, and represented insurers and/or their insured as defence and recovery counsel in various actions heard at both the State Courts and High Court levels.

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**REGISTRATION FORM**  
**“Navigating Defects Claims in Construction Disputes”**  
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**Participants will be entitled to CPD Accreditation.** Kindly email Registration Form to redas\_secretariat@redas.com. Your favourable response on or before 11 April 2024 would be much appreciated. For enquiries, please contact REDAS Secretariat Tel: 6336 6655. Thank you.

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\* If you are registering for more participants, please email the names to redas\_secretariat@redas.com

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- Bank Transfer**  
 Name of Bank: United Overseas Bank (UOB), 1 Coleman Street, #01-14 The Adelphi, Singapore 179803  
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