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**Profession : Arbitrator, Mediator,
Adjudicator, Dispute Resolution
Consultant, Expert Witness,
Chartering / Shipping Consultant**

Academic & Professional Qualification(s) :

1. Master Mariner (FG) Certificate of Competency
2. Graduate Certificate in International Arbitration, National University of Singapore

Professional Membership(s):

1. Fellow, Singapore Institute of Arbitrators
2. Member, Singapore Chamber of Maritime Arbitration (SCMA) Panel of Arbitrators
3. Member, Badan Arbitrase Nasional Indonesia (BANI) Panel of Arbitrators
4. Member, Financial Industry Dispute Resolution Centre (FIDReC) Panel of Adjudicators
5. Member and Coach, Singapore Mediation Centre Panel of Mediators
6. Deputy Chairman, Technical Committee (TC) for Bunkering reporting to Chemical Standards Committee (CSC)
7. Advisory Committee Member: Wavelink Maritime Institute (WMI)

Career & Professional Experience:

Wai Pong is the founder of LWP.Sg Consultants and concurrently serves as:

- ✓ Regional Advisor to Thomas Miller, the managers of various mutual insurances such as UK P&I Club (world's 2nd largest), Defence Club and War Risks Club.
- ✓ Consultant to the Singapore Mediation Centre (SMC) to spearhead their initiative to promote usage and awareness of mediation in the maritime / oil&gas sector.

On 31st Mar 2016, he stepped down as the Executive Director of the Singapore Chamber of Maritime Arbitration (SCMA) where he led its overall development for over 5 years and raising the Chamber's profile to its current international status of recognition. Wai Pong also pioneered an industry ground breaking procedure for resolution of disputes arising from ship collisions (SEADOCC) using arbitration and completed a full revision of the previous SCMA Rules Version 2009 in 2015. The new version features:

- ✓ updated procedures to match current practices
- ✓ protocols such as Arb-Med-Arb
- ✓ revised small claims procedure to facilitate savings in time and costs for disputants

As a speaker, he regularly presented SCMA's brand of arbitration to audiences in Singapore, Asia and the UK. In his current roles, he continues to speak to a broad spectrum of audiences on the topic of alternative dispute resolution (ADR) whilst maintaining a wide network of contacts amongst arbitrators, adjudicators, mediators, counsel, regulators, experts, academics and other stakeholders within the ADR community. In addition, he has also contributed written commentaries on the development / promotion of alternative dispute resolution / arbitration / mediation and completed book reviews for international publications such as Seatrade, Fairplay and Asian International Arbitration Journal (AIAJ).

As a practising independent dispute resolver, Wai Pong has been appointed:

- ✓ both as a sole arbitrator and as chair to a variety of tribunals constituted under IAA (ad hoc), SIAC, SCMA and LMAA Rules.
- ✓ As sole and co-mediator to resolve ad hoc and SMC administered disputes for both maritime (disputes arising from stowage, navigation, shipyard related work) and non-maritime (electrical, labour and general contracting) matters as well as to mediate disputes.

Wai Pong has also been appointed and appeared as an expert witness on shipbroking practices in Singapore High Court.

In Jan 2017, he was appointed to the Panel of Arbitrators for Singapore's SCMA & Indonesia's BANI in addition to the Panel of Adjudicators for Singapore's Financial Industry Dispute Resolution Centre (FIDReC).

Since 2010, Wai Pong has been involved in the Technical Committee for bunkering of vessels which is tasked by the government regulatory body to draft, review and promote standards [International Standards (IS), Singapore Standard (SS) and Technical Reference (TR)] related to ship bunkering process. This included the ground breaking development work on Mass Flow Metering (MFM) which led to the implementation and mandatory usage of MFM in Jan 2017 which is applicable for all ship bunkering in Singapore. On 1st Jan 2018, Wai Pong was appointed as the Deputy Chairman, Technical Committee (TC) for Bunkering reporting to Chemical Standards Committee (CSC). The TC is the overarching committee to develop standards for ship bunkering in Singapore.

Legal Knowledge relating to Shipping, Arbitration Practice and Procedure:

Publications: