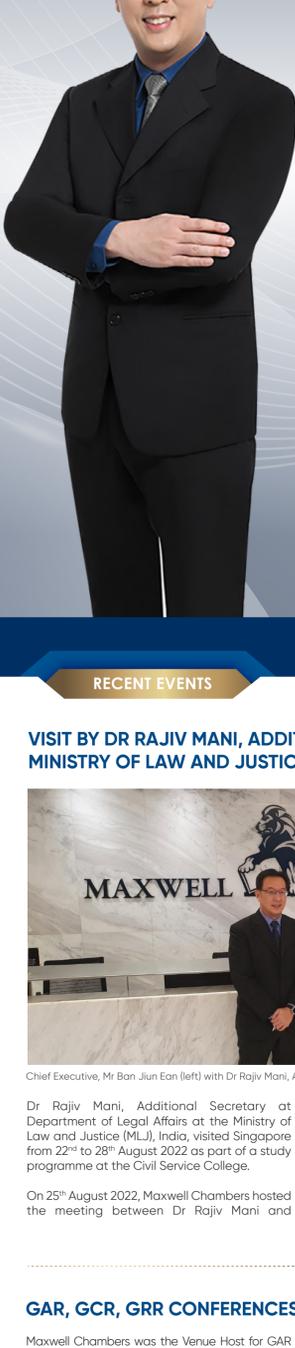


NEWSLETTER

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Dear Friends of Maxwell Chambers,

As the world moves gradually out of the pandemic, as borders open and restrictions are eased, there is widespread excitement and relief at returning to some semblance of normality in our private lives and workplaces. In-person business meetings and hearings are returning with a vengeance. And yet, the future remains a slightly uncertain one, against the backdrop of a war in Europe, rampant global inflation amid soaring energy costs, and the resulting slowdown of national economies everywhere. Climate change has also left its mark, with scorching summers mixed with unprecedented floods, upending entire cities and straining already tenuous supply chains.

Through this all, Singapore and Maxwell Chambers remain steadfast in the belief that hard work and careful planning are invaluable for riding out the storms. The past two years have been difficult, but Maxwell Chambers emerges stronger and better, well-placed for the new environment ahead and moving forward steadily in its digital transformation. There is no guarantee that past successes will result in future opportunities, so the task remains the same – to ensure that we provide the services of the highest quality, so that every kind of need of every hearing and proceeding can be met here.

With this, we are hopeful that better days are ahead, and soon to come, and that Maxwell Chambers remains a shining beacon of what Singapore can do. Our doors are always open, and we welcome you back for your next in-person hearing, at the foremost dispute resolution facility in the world.

Best regards,
Ban Jun Ean, Chief Executive

RECENT EVENTS

VISIT BY DR RAJIV MANI, ADDITIONAL SECRETARY, MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (INDIA)



Chief Executive, Mr Ban Jun Ean (left) with Dr Rajiv Mani, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Law and Justice (India) (right)

Dr Rajiv Mani, Additional Secretary at Department of Legal Affairs at the Ministry of Law and Justice (MLJ), India, visited Singapore from 22nd to 28th August 2022 as part of a study programme at the Civil Service College.

On 25th August 2022, Maxwell Chambers hosted the meeting between Dr Rajiv Mani and representatives of Singapore Ministry of Law (MinLaw), Singapore International Arbitration Centre (SIAC), Singapore International Mediation Centre (SIMC) and Singapore Mediation Centre (SMC).

Dr Mani was also brought on a tour of Maxwell Chambers newly renovated hearing rooms and facilities.

GAR, GCR, GRR CONFERENCES

Maxwell Chambers was the Venue Host for GAR Live: Singapore 2022, GRR Live: Singapore 2022 and GCR's 11th annual Law Leaders Asia-Pacific from 23rd to 26th August 2022.

The conferences gathered over 200 local, regional and international legal practitioners across the week.



Photo credits to Global Arbitration Review, Global Restructuring Review and Global Competition Review

SINGAPORE CONVENTION WEEK 2022 EVENTS

Maxwell Chambers welcomed over 300 guests on 31st August 2022, with guests attending events by partner institutions including the Inter-Pacific Bar Association (IPBA), Singapore International Dispute Resolution Academy (SIRDA), The Law Society of Singapore, Singapore Institute of Arbitrators (SIARB), Society of Mediation Professionals (Singapore) and Singapore International Commercial Court (SICC).

Guests who joined the Maxwell Open House were able to witness first-hand the features of the hearing rooms, including customisable set-ups for Arbitration and Mediation. Our digital hearing solutions partners, Opus 2 and FTI Trial and Arbitration Support also set up a hybrid hearing room and eHearing Suite respectively.



BRG Consulting also shared their support with a mobile coffee cart which was well received. Maxwell Chambers foyer was also converted to an exhibition area with mini booths set up by Bankside Chambers, BRG, Epig, FTI Consulting, One Essex Court, Opus 2 and Simha Law.



We also hosted the ROAP Asia Finals by Delos Dispute Resolution on 1st September 2022 and a debate event by CIARB Singapore on 2nd September 2022 to cap of the series of Singapore Convention Week events at Maxwell Chambers.



Group shot of the guided tour participants in our iconic Cavenagh Room



Opus 2 team sharing about their digital hearing solutions with a hybrid hearing room set-up at Maxwell Chambers



FTI Consulting team showcasing their eHearing Suite to participants of the Maxwell Chambers guided tour

OTHER EVENTS HOSTED AT MAXWELL CHAMBERS

SIAC-CIARB DEBATE 2022

Maxwell Chambers hosted the SIAC-CIARB Debate on Thursday, 15th September 2022 in a hybrid format, jointly organised by Singapore International Arbitration Centre (SIAC) and Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CIARB).



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SG VYAP LAUNCH EVENT

Maxwell Chambers was pleased to be the venue partner and supporting organisation for the Singapore Very Young Arbitration Practitioners (SG VYAP) launch event, held on Friday, 16th September 2022.



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POLA CONFERENCE 2022

Maxwell Chambers was the Venue Sponsor for the 32nd Presidents of Law Associations of Asia (POLA) Conference 2022 in Singapore, from 22nd to 23rd September 2022 in Singapore. The two-day conference, themed "The Next Normal Law Firms", was organised by The Law Society of Singapore.

POLA is a body established in 1990 as a non-political organisation providing a forum for the leaders of Bar Associations in Asia Pacific region to exchange views, ideas and engage in collaborative activities on topics of mutual interest. All Bar Associations in Asia are members of POLA and will take turns to host the annual Conference.



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MAXWELL CONVERSATIONS: DUTIES OF INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATORS



Maxwell Chambers held its fourth session of Maxwell Conversations on 12th July 2022, discussing the topic "Duties of International Arbitrators". The webinar was attended by more than 600 participants from over 70 countries.

The panellists included Prof Bernard Hanotiau of Hanotiau & van den Berg, Elodie Dulac, Partner at King & Spalding, and Byung-Chol (B.C.) Yoon, Partner at Kim & Chang. The discussion was moderated by Lawrence Teh, Global Co-Head of International Arbitration of Dentons, who was hosting the webinar in person at Maxwell Chambers.

[WATCH THE RECORDED SESSION](#)

MAXWELL LECTURES: PERPETUAL MOTION: THE REWARDING LIFE OF A CAREER AT THE BAR



Maxwell Chambers successfully concluded Maxwell Lectures: Perpetual Motion: The Rewarding Life of a Career at the Bar on 21st July 2022, featuring Mr Duncan Matthews QC, Head of Chambers at Twenty Essex.

The webinar covered Duncan's reflections on his 35 years in practice at the Bar, his inspirations and lessons learned and the future of the Profession. How it all started and where it is all going.

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RECENT UPDATES

FTI CONSULTING HEARING SUITE AT MAXWELL CHAMBERS

Increasingly, virtual or hybrid hearings have become the norm. Maxwell Chambers has partnered with FTI Consulting's Trial and Arbitration Support to create a state-of-the-art eHearing Suite – a single user technology workstation for Arbitrators, Witnesses and/or Counsel who need to remotely connect to hearings or meetings.

Upgrade your presentation in virtual environment, the eHearing Suite is an immersive and comfortable facility that delivers a seamless experience for the user, and a broadcast-quality audio visual experience for the audience.

PARTNERSHIP WITH IMMEDIATION

Maxwell Chambers announced its partnership with Immediation on 1st June 2022 to offer its legal video collaboration software and online dispute resolution platform to its users.

This partnership heralds a major step forward towards a hybrid future with expanded capabilities for fully remote and in-person proceedings in the ADR and ODR industry.

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