

CBFL Distinguished Visitor Lecture 2017

Global Insolvency Proceedings for a Global Market



Professor Jay Westbrook

The NUS Centre for Banking and Finance Law (CBFL) had the pleasure of inviting Professor Jay Westbrook (Benno C. Schmidt Chair of Business Law, School of Law, University of Texas at Austin) to deliver a lecture on ***Global Insolvency Proceedings for a Global Market*** on 29 August 2017 in the Moot Court at the NUS Bukit Timah campus.

Professor Westbrook discussed the coordination of international insolvency proceedings to maximise values for stakeholders, while reducing conflict and inefficiencies among national courts.

The lecture was well-attended by more than 120 academics and practitioners.



Professor Simon Chesterman, Dean, NUS Law delivering the welcome address



Professor Hans Tjio, Director, CBFL introducing the speaker



Question & Answer



Presentation of token of appreciation

DISTINGUISHED VISITOR LECTURE 2017

By Professor Jay L. Westbrook

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Prior to teaching at the University of Texas, Professor Westbrook was a partner in Surrey & Morse (now part of Jones, Day) in Washington, D.C. He is best known internationally for his work in international and comparative insolvency law, starting with his 1991 article Theory and Pragmatism in In Global Insolvencies: Choice Of Law And Choice Of Forum. In addition to many articles, he is co-author of several books, including A GLOBAL VIEW OF BUSINESS INSOLVENCY SYSTEMS (Martinus Nijhoff 2010) and THE LAW OF DEBTORS AND CREDITORS (Aspen, 7th ed. 2014). He has been Visiting Professor at Harvard Law School and the University of London, and is a member of the American Law Institute, the National Bankruptcy Conference, and the American College of Bankruptcy. He serves as a consultant to the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank. He was the United States Reporter for the ALI's Transnational Insolvency Project and co-head of the United States delegation to the UNCITRAL conference that produced the Model Law on Cross-Border Insolvency. He is Director Emeritus of the International Insolvency Institute and a director and former President of the International Academy of Commercial and Consumer Law.

17 Aug 2017 • 4.30pm – 6.10pm (Registration starts at 3.30pm)
Moot Court, Faculty of Law, NUS (Bukit Timah Campus)

The Lecture will discuss the coordination of international insolvency proceedings to maximize values for stakeholders, while reducing conflict and inefficiencies among national courts. Although developments in several jurisdictions will be discussed, the analysis will focus on Singapore and the United States.

This Lecture is particularly timely and relevant to legal practitioners, accountants, financial advisers and students of the law given the coming into force of the Companies (Amendment) Act 2017 on 23 May 2017. Amongst other things, this has introduced into Singapore law the UNCITRAL Model Law on Cross-Border Insolvency which provides mutual recognition of insolvency orders and renders reciprocal aid in insolvency proceedings.

PROGRAMME

3.30pm – 4.30pm : Registration
4.30pm – 4.40pm : Welcome and Introduction
4.40pm – 5.40pm : Lecture
5.40pm – 6.10pm : Reception

Registration is complimentary but seats are limited.

Please register early at <https://goo.gl/LNFfL3> to avoid disappointment.

Registration closes on **7 Aug 2017**.

For enquiries, please contact Ms Leanne Hwee at 6601 3878 / cbfl@nus.edu.sg.

About the Centre for Banking & Finance Law

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Training Level: General

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