CBFL SEMINAR SERIES
FRAUD, UNCONSCIONABLE CONDUCT AND BEYOND:
PRACTICAL TIPS ON HANDLING LETTER OF CREDIT AND DEMAND GUARANTEE CASES

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11 January 2019 (Friday)
4.00pm – 5.15pm (Registration starts at 3.30pm)
NUS Law (Bukit Timah Campus)
Block B Level 4, Seminar Room SR4-3

ABOUT THE EVENT
The talk will:
(i) briefly summarise the main characteristics and principles regarding letters of credit and demand guarantees;
(ii) consider how courts have dealt with enforcement of letters of credit and demand guarantees in England and Singapore;
(iii) discuss the decision of the UK Supreme Court in Taurus Petroleum Limited v State Oil Marketing Company of the Ministry of Oil, Republic of Iraq [2017] UKSC 64, which addressed important questions regarding when a debt will be owed to a beneficiary under a letter of credit, and the lex situs of the debt; and
(iv) aim to give practical guidance on how successfully to enforce, or seek to resist, payment.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND
Banking lawyers, in-house bank counsel, policymakers

PROGRAMME
3.30pm : Registration
4.00pm : Start of Seminar
5.00pm : Discussion (Q&A)
5.15pm : End of Event

REGISTRATION
Register at: https://tinyurl.com/vddec364
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Practice Area: Banking & Finance
Training Level: Foundation

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