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# Asian-Pacific Corporate Insolvency Law: Cross-Border and Comparative Perspectives

# **Symposium**

10-11 April 2007

Halekulani Hotel Waikiki, Oʻahu, Hawaiʻi

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# **Symposium**

This symposium will involve discussions among academics, insolvency practitioners, judges, and government officials from Hawai'i, the US mainland and Asia-Pacific on recent developments in Asian-Pacific corporate and cross-border insolvency law. Topics of discussion will include liquidation, formal and out-of-court corporate restructuring, and cross-border insolvency.

# 10 April 2007

8:00-8:30 Registration/Continental breakfast sponsored by:

8:30-8:45 Welcoming Remarks

Avi Soifer, Dean and Professor, Richardson School of Law, University of Hawai'i

**Charles Booth**, IAPBL Director & Associate Professor, Richardson School of Law, University of Hawai'i

# Session 1 – An Economic and Political Overview of the Asia-Pacific

8:45-10:15

**Chair and Commentator:** 

David Day, Law Offices of David Day, Honolulu

### **Speakers/Commentators:**

**Paul Brewbaker**, Senior Vice President and Chief Economist, Bank of Hawai'i, Honolulu

**Lena Gan**, International Financial Advisor, Merrill Lynch, ML Global Private Client Group, Honolulu

# 10:15-10:45 Tea and Coffee Break sponsored by:

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# Session 2 – Recent Developments in China

#### 10:45-12:00

# **Chair and Commentator:**

**Charles Booth**, IAPBL Director & Associate Professor, Richardson School of Law, University of Hawai'i

### **Speakers/Commentators:**

Gordon Johnson, Partner, Kirkland & Ellis LLP, New York

John Lees, Director, John Lees & Associates, Ltd., Hong Kong

John Marsden, Partner, Johnson, Stokes & Master, Shanghai

**Zhang Xianchu**, Professor, Faculty of Law, University of Hong Kong

### Commentator:

Steven T. Kargman, President, Kargman Associates, New York City

### **12:00-1:15 Lunch – sponsored by**

# Session 3 – Recent Developments in Japan

#### 1:15-2:30

# Chair and Commentator:

Ted Pettit, Director, Case, Lombardi & Pettit, Honolulu

# Speakers:

**Shinichiro Abe**, Partner, Baker & McKenzie & Associate Professor, Chuo Law School, Tokyo

### Recent Trends in "Out-of-Court Workout" Methods

Tasuku Matsuo, Partner, Matsuo & Kosugi, Tokyo

Keita Nagura, Partner, Yodoyabashi & Yamagami LPC, Tokyo

### Commentators:

James A. Wagner, Partner, Wagner Choi & Evers, Honolulu

2:30-3:00 Tea and Coffee Break

# Session 4 – Out-of-Court Rescues in Asia

3:00-4:15

Chair:

# Speakers:

Steven T. Kargman, President, Kargman Associates, New York City

**Tom Pearson,** Professor of Accounting, University of Hawai'i Shidler College of Business

The Rising Use of Hedge Funds and Private Equity for Restructuring in Asia

Timothy B. DeSieno, Bingham McCutchen LLP, New York City

Current Investments in East Asia: (Missed) Lessons from Post-Crisis Workouts

### Commentators:

Jonathan Katz, Partner, Special Situations Investing, JP Morgan, New York City

James Sprayregen, Managing Director, Goldman Sachs, New York City

# Paper submitted without attendance:

**Shinjiro Takagi**, Chair, Industrial Revitalization Committee, Industrial Revitalization Corporation of Japan, Tokyo

**Out-of-Court Workouts in Japan and International Implications** 

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# 8:15-8:45 Continental breakfast sponsored by:

# **Session 5 – Recent Developments in Hong Kong**

8:45-10:00

**Chair and Commentator:** 

**Charles Booth**, IAPBL Director & Associate Professor, Richardson School of Law, University of Hawai'i

Speakers/Commentators:

Karen Ho, Assistant Principal Solicitor, Official Receiver's Office, Hong Kong

The Role of the Official Receiver as Regulator

John Lees, Director, John Lees & Associates, Ltd., Hong Kong

10:00-10:30 Tea and Coffee Break

Session 6 – Recent Developments in Other Asian-Pacific Jurisdictions

10:30-12:00

**Chair and Commentator:** 

Speakers:

Paul Billingham, Partner, Grant Thornton, Sydney

**Recent Developments in Australia** 

David Cowling, Partner, Clayton Utz, Sydney

Recent Developments in Australia

Frederick D. Holden, Jr., Partner, Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, San Francisco

**Recent Developments in the Philippines** 

# Commentators:

# **12:00-1:00** Lunch - sponsored by

# Session 7 – Recognition of Asian Bankruptcies

1:00-2:30

### Chair and Commentator:

Evelyn Biery, Partner, Fulbright & Jaworski, Houston

#### Speakers:

Isabelle Didier, Etude Didier, Paris

# **European Recognition Principles**

Hon. Robert Faris, Judge, US Bankruptcy Court, District of Hawai'i

David P. Leibowitz, Leibowitz Law Center, Waukegan, IL

#### **Chapter 15 and Center of Main Interests Analysis**

# Commentators:

Don Gelber, Gelber, Gelber & Ingersoll, Honolulu

# Setting Aside Transfers of Property in Foreign Countries: How Long is the Reach of the US Bankruptcy Court

Frederick D. Holden, Jr., Partner, Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, San Francisco

# **US Recognition of Philippine Proceedings**

Bill Rochelle, Bloomberg

### Paper submitted without attendance:

**Shinjiro Takagi**, Chair, Industrial Revitalization Committee, Industrial Revitalization Corporation of Japan, Tokyo

### Japanese Cross-Border Insolvency Law

#### 2:30-3:00 Tea and Coffee Break

# Session 8 – To Be Announced

3:00-4:00	PANEL
4:00-4:30	Concluding Remarks
4:30-5:30	Cocktail Reception sponsored by
5:30-7:00	

### Other confirmed attendees:

Sonali Abeyratne, Technical Manager, INSOL, London

Walter Davison, Partner, Goodsill Anderson Quinn & Stiefel, Honolulu

David Farmer, David C. Farmer Attorney at Law LLLC, Honolulu

Michael A. Gerber, Associate Dean & Professor of Law, Brooklyn Law School

John Loevenguth, Partner, Schulze Haynes Loevenguth & Co., Irvine, CA

Cheryl Nakamura, Partner, Rush Moore LLP, Honolulu

Theodore D.C. Young, Partner, Cades Schutte, Honolulu

# **Symposium Planning Committee**

# **Co-Chairs:**

**Charles Booth**, IAPBL Director & Associate Professor, Richardson School of Law, University of Hawai'i

Ted Pettit, Director, Case, Lombardi & Pettit, Honolulu

#### **Members:**

**Shirley Daniel**, Henry A. Walker Jr. Distinguished Professor of Business Enterprise, Shidler College of Business, University of Hawai'i

**Justin Levinson**, IAPBL Deputy Director & Assistant Professor, Richardson School of Law, University of Hawai'i

**Cynthia Quinn,** Director of Communications and External Relations, Richardson School of Law, University of Hawai'i

# Fees:

Attendance for each day will cost US\$200; for two days, \$300.

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# **CLE Credits:**

6 CLE points/per day (3 CLE points for the morning session and 3 CLE points for the afternoon session) will be awarded to certain attendees. Additional details to be announced.

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