



# **Accelerated Route to Fellowship (International Arbitration) Assessment**

In-Person, October 7-8, 2022 / Plus Exam

**WILLIAMS & CONNOLLY<sup>LLP</sup>**

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Five interactive workshops PLUS three plenary sessions explore the challenges of organizing and managing a complex international arbitration and the drafting of an enforceable reasoned award.

Presented and organized by The Chartered Institute of Arbitrators' North America Branch and CPR Dispute Resolution Services



“ This course was one of the most valuable and rewarding programs I have ever attended. It was rich in substance and, at the same time, conveyed how to practically apply substantive learnings. The workshop/interactive structure makes this program both fun and practical. I particularly appreciated the problems presented because they are real, and finding solutions required not only an understanding of the applicable rules and law, but the exercise of sound judgment. In sum, this course provides the thought processes to resolve and document the complex issues that arise during an international arbitration and when drafting an enforceable reasoned award. I can truly say it made me a better arbitrator. ”

**Noah Hanft** / former President & CEO, CPR; Co-Founder AcumenADR





## Internationally Renowned Faculty



### **John J. Buckley, Jr., FCI Arb; CPR Distinguished Neutral**

Mr. Buckley, a former partner of Williams & Connolly LLP, founded and headed the firm's international arbitration practice. He serves as arbitrator and advocate in complex-commercial arbitrations, international and domestic, and as advocate in investment arbitrations. He has taught as a faculty-appointed clinical lecturer on international arbitration at Yale Law School and is a frequent presenter on arbitration. He is a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, a Fellow of the College of Commercial Arbitrators, a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers, a member of the American Law Institute, a member of the CPR Council, and a U.S. delegate to the ICC Commission on Arbitration and ADR. He is a member of the panel of neutrals for AAA (including its national energy panel), ICDR, and CPR, and is a settlement panelist selected by the United States pursuant to Chapter 31 of the United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement (USMCA).



### **Derrick Carson, FCI Arb**

Mr. Carson is a partner with the firm Locke Lord and Chair of the Firm's Energy Litigation Practice Group. He has over 20 years of experience trying cases in courts around the country and arbitrations around the world. He has a broad dispute resolution practice primarily representing clients in the energy and construction industries. His arbitration experience includes international matters where he has represented clients before a host of international arbitral bodies on issues as diverse as development of oil and gas fields, construction and maritime as well as other contractual disputes.



**Gaela Gehring Flores, FCI Arb**

Ms. Gehring Flores is a partner in Allen & Overy's International Arbitration practice based in the firm's Washington DC office. She draws on decades of focused experience representing both multi-national corporations and sovereign states in international commercial and investment arbitrations. Ms. Gehring Flores' experience includes over 50 high-stakes international disputes, many of them before the International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID), the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) International Court of Arbitration, the London Court of International Arbitration (LCIA), the International Centre for Dispute Resolution (ICDR/AAA), as well as litigation and appellate proceedings before US federal courts. Ms. Gehring Flores serves as Co-Chair of the District of Columbia Bar Inter-American Legal Affairs Committee, and is co-host of the DC Bar podcast The Tea on International Arbitration.



**David Harrell, FCI Arb**

Mr. Harrell is vice-chair / training of the CI Arb's North America Branch. He is also Co-Chair of Locke Lord's Litigation Department and chairs Locke Lord's International Arbitration practice group. He has extensive first and second-chair trial and arbitration experience in the areas of energy litigation, commercial litigation and land use/permitting litigation. David's energy litigation experience includes representations of operators, producers, transporters, marketers and royalty owners. He has litigated contract disputes, royalty disputes, environmental claims, throughput and processing claims, and permitting claims, both onshore and offshore. His commercial litigation resume includes representations of plaintiffs and defendants in contract disputes, fiduciary relations issues, usury claims, real estate litigation, fraud, securities collection, deceptive trade practices, Lanham Act and first party insurance defense.



**Merriann Panarella, FCI Arb; CPR Distinguished Neutral**

Ms. Panarella serves as member of the board of directors of the CI Arb North America Branch and also as co-chair of the North America Branch's Boston Chapter. She is a prominent arbitrator and mediator whose practice includes domestic and international complex commercial and intellectual property and technology disputes. For over 25 years, she was a partner at Wilmer Cutler Pickering Hale and Dorr where she litigated complex commercial disputes and, patent infringement, trade secret, and other technology-related matters both nationally and internationally. In addition to being a Fellow of the CI Arb, she is a Fellow of the College of Commercial Arbitrators and is on the Tech List of distinguished neutrals of Silicon Valley Arbitration and Mediation Center. Ms. Panarella is a founding member and on the board of the Boston International Arbitration Council, and she currently serves on the arbitration and mediation panels of many of the principal dispute resolution institutions including the AAA, CPR, WIPO, ICC, AHLA, and FINRA. Ms. Panarella is a frequent lecturer and author on a broad range of dispute resolution issues.



**Kenneth Reisenfeld, FCI Arb**

Mr. Reisenfeld serves as the leader of BakerHostetler's Investor-State Arbitration team. He is recognized in Chambers Global and Legal 500 for both his services as an advocate and an arbitrator. Over the past 40 years, Mr. Reisenfeld has litigated cases or been appointed as an arbitrator in ad-hoc and administered proceedings around the world, including investor-state and state-to-state arbitrations. He regularly serves as advocate or arbitrator in complex contract, commercial, technology, telecommunications, pharmaceutical, IP licensing, M&A, energy, mining, international distribution and construction/ infrastructure arbitrations, and in judicial enforcement proceedings in U.S. courts. He is on the panel of arbitrators for several international arbitral institutions. He is the past chair of American Bar Association's International Law Section, and a co-author of the American Bar Association/ American Arbitration Association Code of Ethics for Arbitrators in Commercial Disputes (2004), the IBA Guidelines on Party Representation in International Arbitration (2013) and the Rules for Administered Arbitration of International Disputes (2019) and Fast Track Rules (2020) promulgated by the CPR International Institute for Conflict Prevention & Resolution.



**Program Director - James (Jim) Reiman, FCI Arb; CPR Distinguished Neutral**

Mr. Reiman is the past chair of the North America Branch of the CI Arb and is currently a member of the Branch's board of directors. He is an arbitrator and mediator of complex domestic and international commercial disputes and serves as a director on the boards of public and private companies. He has 18 years' experience as a trial and commercial transactions attorney practicing in Chicago, IL law firms followed by 20+ years as CEO, chairman and board director of public and private companies in the US, UK and China. In addition to his ADR and board work, Mr. Reiman is a member of the faculty of the University of Oxford's Oxford Programme on Negotiation and a Board Leadership Fellow of the National Association of Corporate Directors. He is the author of the book *Negotiation Simplified: A Framework and Process for Improving Negotiating Results*, Herndon, VA., Amplify Publishing (2022)



## **Accelerated Route to Fellowship (International Arbitration) Assessment**

The Accelerated Route to Fellowship program is designed for senior practitioners in the field of dispute resolution. It is a qualification program; not a fundamentals training program. Successful completion of the program permits participants to apply to become Fellows of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, the highest grade of CI Arb membership which allows the use of the designation FCI Arb.

The program focuses on applicable laws and procedures for the conduct of efficient arbitration hearings in complex international cases. The program is comprised of three elements:

### **1. Oral Assessment**

This element of the Accelerated Route to Fellowship Programme consists of two days of workshops (4 days if the program is via remote video conference) based on a case study of a dispute. Each participant is assessed on his/her knowledge, judgment and self-presentation during discussion of a series of problems arising during a mock complex international arbitration and role play simulations.

### **2. Written Assessment**

Written assignments will be part of the assessment process during the workshop portion of the program. One of the written assignments will be prepared in advance of the workshops and will be collected early on the first day of the workshops.

### **3. Award Writing Examination**

This element consists of a written, open book examination in which an award must be written and fully reasoned based on the evidence in an arbitration proceeding. The exam is administered as part of this program. To receive a passing grade, the award must meet international standards for enforcement. The exam administration and assessment fee is included in the tuition fee for the program.

Following successful completion of the three elements described above, candidates may schedule a Peer Interview. There will be a separate charge for the Peer Interview: it is not included in the tuition fee of this program.



### **Who Should Attend?**

You are a practicing lawyer with substantial complex litigation and/or dispute resolution experience (10 years minimum is typical). For further information regarding one's qualification to participate in the program, please contact Jim Reiman, Program Director ([jreiman@ReimanADR.com](mailto:jreiman@ReimanADR.com)).

### **Assessment**

Continual assessment throughout the workshop portion of the program, written submittals, and award writing exam.

### **Assessment Result**

Successfully passing the oral and written assessments during the workshop portion of the program allows the candidate to take the Award Writing Examination. Successful completion of the Award Writing Examination and (separate) Peer Review Interview allows the candidate to apply for Fellow status (for full details of route to Fellowship, please visit the CI Arb website [www.ciarb.org](http://www.ciarb.org)). Candidates may apply for Associate CI Arb membership with the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators at any time.

## **Frequently Asked Questions**

### **What will happen during the oral assessment portion of the program?**

You will be in small groups with two or more assessors. You will be given a case study comprising a commercial contract and a set of facts describing the events which lead to a dispute between a number of parties. During the assessment workshops, various situations or problems which might arise during an international arbitration will be put to you and you will discuss how you would deal with them. There are also written and role play exercises.

### **What grade of membership will I be entitled to?**

You may apply as an Associate member of the CI Arb at any time. If you pass the oral and written assessments during the workshop portion of the Accelerated Route to Fellowship program, and are not already a Member of the CI Arb, you will be entitled to apply for Member status. This applies whether you sit for and pass the Award Writing Exam or not. Applying for Member status as soon as possible is encouraged as all persons applying for Fellow status must first be Members of the Institute.

If you do not pass the oral and written assessment portion of workshop portion of the Accelerated Route to Fellowship program, you will not be permitted to take the Award Writing Exam.





If you do not pass the Award Writing Exam, you will not be permitted to proceed to the Peer Interview process for Fellowship status.

If you successfully pass the workshop portion of the Accelerated Route to Fellowship program as well as the Award Writing Exam, you will be able to schedule a Peer Interview. There will be a separate charge for the Peer Interview process: it is not included in the tuition cost of this program. Following successful completion of the Peer Interview you may apply to upgrade your membership level from Member to Fellow status.

## Continuing Legal Education (CLE)

In the United States, certificates for applying for continuing legal education (CLE) credit will be provided to candidates who request them. This program is eligible for New York CLE credit. This program has been approved for 10.5 Skills hours and 4.5 Ethics hours. This course is non-transitional.

*The CPR Institute has been certified by the New York State Continuing Legal Education Board as an Accredited Provider of continuing legal education in the State of New York. CPR is a nonprofit organization. Under financial hardship guidelines, at its discretion, CPR may waive the fee for attorneys who demonstrate that they are not currently employed (not retirees). CPR may also provide a special discounted price to attorneys, full time judges and administrative law judges practicing in the nonprofit and public sectors full time.*

## Timing and Scheduling

### In-Person Program

The program will commence at 8:30 a.m. Friday morning, October 7, 2022 (workshops will commence at 9:00) and will conclude at 5:00 PM on Saturday, October 8, 2022.

The award writing examination will proceed as described below.

**There will be a cocktail reception and dinner for Candidates and Faculty on Friday, October 7, 2022** at a location to be determined near Williams & Connolly's offices. The cost of this reception / dinner is included in your tuition fee. A light breakfast, lunch, and beverages / snacks will be provided on Friday and Saturday by our host Williams & Connolly at no cost to our attendees.



**Workshops:**      Friday      October 7, 2022 / 8:30am – 5:00pm  
                         Saturday      October 8, 2022 / 9:00am – 5:00pm

### **Award Writing Exam**

Participants will be required to write a reasoned award. They will have 48 hours to write their award at anytime they wish during the period October 12 and October 16, 2022.

## **Program Registration**

We are anticipating strong demand for this program and would ask that you register at the earliest possible date. Registration is limited!

**TO REGISTER, CLICK HERE**

## **Fees**

Accelerated Route to Fellowship Program registration fee:

**\$2,250.00** – United States Dollars

*Existing CPR and CI Arb members will receive a \$300 discount*

### **Cancellation**

You may freely substitute someone from your organization until the Friday before the Training. A cancellation fee of US\$ 250 will be charged if cancellation is received prior to September 3, 2022; tuition will not be refunded if cancellation is received after that date. However, the fee paid may be applied to a future program.



## Hotel Information

There are many hotels near the venue with a wide range in price and luxury. The CI Arb has not arranged special hotel pricing for participants. Below are several hotels within walking distance of William & Connolly's offices:

### **Canopy by Hilton Washington DC The Wharf**

975 7th Street  
Washington, DC 20024  
+1 202-488-2500

### **Hilton Washington DC National Mall The Wharf**

480 L'Enfant Plaza  
Washington, DC 20024  
+1 202-484-1000

### **Hyatt House Washington DC/The Wharf**

725 Wharf Street  
Washington, DC 20024  
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