Vision 2020: Hindsight, Foresight and Insight – Celebrating 20 Years of CCA Service and Looking to the Future

October 15-16, 2020
Virtual Conference &
College of Commercial Arbitrators Forum
(Featuring Sessions October 30 through December 4, 2020)
Wednesday, October 14th

*All times listed are Eastern Time Zone*

1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
CCA Board of Directors Meetings
President Susan H. Nycum will preside over the final Board Meeting of her term and incoming CCA President John R. Holsinger will preside over the initial Board Meeting of his term. John will introduce the incoming Directors, and announce the new members of the Executive Committee and the Standing Committee Chairs and Co-Chairs. All Fellows welcome and encouraged to attend. Advance RSVP required during registration.

Thursday, October 15th

*All times listed are Eastern Time Zone*

12:00 p.m. – 12:20 p.m.
Presidents’ Transition and Welcome
Reflections on this year’s CCA accomplishments
Susan H. Nycum, Outgoing CCA President, Carmel, CA
Report from the Board about the CCA’s future plans and introducing the 2020 CCA Annual Meeting.
John R. Holsinger, Incoming CCA President, Hackensack, NJ

12:20 p.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Our Commitment to Diversity
A report about the CCA’s progress and continued commitment to the diversification of the CCA and our profession.
Mark J. Heley, CCA President-Elect & Member of the CCA Diversity Committee, Bloomington, MN

12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.
Wait, What Happened? – Recent Court Decisions Impacting Arbitrators That You Need to Know, But May Have Been Too Busy to Notice – Plenary Session
An interactive discussion of the arbitration case law impacting our arbitration practices.
Moderator: Alfred G. Feliu, New Rochelle, NY
Neal M. Eiseman, CCA Vice President, New York NY
Hon. Elizabeth “Peach” Ray (Ret.), Houston, TX

1:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Break

2:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.
Reflections, Opportunities and Current and Future Challenges – Plenary Session
A conversation with India Johnson, American Arbitration Association President.
Interviewer: Richard H. Silberberg, CCA Past President (2017–2018), New York, NY
Featured Guest: India Johnson, President, American Arbitration Association, Atlanta, GA

3:15 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.
Break

3:45 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
“Meet Your Fellow Fellows” Reception
This is a unique online experience that offers all Fellows the opportunity for interesting conversations in small groups to meet and get to know Fellows you may not have met and to connect with long-time friends. All guests of Fellows are welcomed and encouraged to attend this networking event. Bring your libation of choice!
Moderator: Deborah B. Mastin, Miami, FL

5:15 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.
Special Event – Tour The World Famous Barnes Collection
The College has arranged a private docent-led tour of The Barnes, at its new home in Philadelphia. It features works of Impressionist, Post-Impressionist and Modernist masters including Renoir, Cézanne, Matisse, Picasso, Modigliani, Van Gogh and many others. We are sure you will enjoy this opportunity and have something exciting to share with other Fellows.

Friday, October 16th

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12:00 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.
2020 Hindsight and Foresight – International Arbitration – Past, Present and Future – Plenary Session
Gary Born, Esq., Chair, International Arbitration Practice Group, Wilmer Cutler Pickering Hale and Dorr LLP, London, England

1:15 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.
Break

1:45 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
Celebrating CCA’s 20-Year History
A salute to our founders and leaders
Moderator: David Huebner, Co-Chair, CCA New Fellows Committee, Los Angeles, CA
Presenters: CCA Past Presidents

2:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Celebrating Our 2020 Class of New Fellows
New Fellows Welcome, Introduction and Induction
Moderator: Gilda R. Turitz, Co-Chair, CCA New Fellows Committee, San Francisco, CA

3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Break

3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. (1.50 hours ethics)
Arbitration Ethics Practicum – Closing Plenary Session
A perennial favorite – Fellows will consider practical ethical problems that arise in arbitration proceedings. Expect to prepare in advance.
Eugene I. Farber, CCA Past President (2012–2013), White Plains, NY
The following five post-conference sessions are included as part of your 20th Annual Meeting registration. Mark your calendars now and plan to attend!

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30TH
*All times listed are Eastern Time Zone*
12:30 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.
Arbitration In Transition – The Restatement of Arbitration – Planning for the Future
A conversation with Professor George Bermann, Reporter for the Restatement, about why it was needed, how it was developed and its future impact.
Interviewer: Jennifer Kirby, Paris, France
Featured Guest: George A. Bermann, Columbia Law School, Center for International Commercial & Investment Arbitration, New York, NY

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6TH
*All times listed are Eastern Time Zone*
12:30 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.
International Program – “Did you ever want to tell the parties what you thought of their case, but could not do so... in Europe you can.”
As arbitrators we are always conscious of the importance of maintaining our neutrality, and the appearance of neutrality. But as we learn about the case, consciously or unconsciously we develop opinions about the merits. Dr. Klaus Peter Berger will explain the new arbitral procedure rules in Germany (and elsewhere) which encourage arbitrators to take a role in the early settlement of disputes and his experiences with this approach. Commenters and attendees will be invited to comment upon whether and how this approach could be effective in the USA and how it intersects with current rules, in an interactive discussion.
Moderator: Barbara A. Reeves, CCA Secretary/Treasurer, Los Angeles, CA
Featured Guest: Dr. Klaus Peter Berger, University of Cologne, Center for Transnational Law (CENTRAL), Cologne, Germany
Commenters: Stephanie Cohen, New York, NY & Gerald B. Wald, Coral Gables, FL

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13TH
*All times listed are Eastern Time Zone*
12:30 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.
Administrators’ Workshop – What Does the Future of ADR Look Like Through the Eyes of Arbitration Administrators?
An open discussion to answer Fellows’ questions about the latest trends in ADR and their potential impact on arbitrators.
Moderator: David C. Singer, New York, NY
Helena Tavares Erickson, Senior Vice President, Dispute Resolution Services and Corporate Secretary of CPR, New York, NY
Kimberly Taylor, Senior Vice President, Chief Legal & Operating Officer of JAMS, Irvine, CA
Jeffrey T. Zaino, Vice President of the New York Commercial Division of AAA, New York, NY

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 30TH
*All times listed are Eastern Time Zone*
12:30 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.
2020 Foresight – New Options and Ideas for the Challenges Ahead: Creating User-Driven Dispute Resolution Mechanisms
The CCA / IMI / Straus Institute Task Force on Mixed Mode Dispute Resolution was created by the CCA and its partner organizations to develop mechanisms geared at improving the means being used to resolve disputes by combining existing means of dispute resolution and creating new ones. This interactive panel will discuss the work of the Task Force and how it can be implemented by companies and neutrals.
Panelists: Véronique Fraser, Ph.D., Professor of Law and Vice-Dean delegated for Strategic Development, Faculty of Law, University of Sherbrooke, Longueuil, QC, Canada
Laura A. Kaster, Princeton, NJ
Deborah Masucci, Arbitrator & Mediator, Honorary Director, International Mediation Institute, Brooklyn, NY
Jane Player, Jane Player Mediation, London, England
Thomas J. Stipanowich, Malibu, CA

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4TH
*All times listed are Eastern Time Zone*
12:30 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.
The Latest and Best Thinking on Construction Arbitration Topics
This distinguished panel of Fellows will discuss the best practices on a number of challenging construction arbitration issues, including consolidation, multiple disparate contracts, panel relations, the best use of experts, and more.
Deborah B. Mastin, Miami, FL
John W. Hinchee, Atlanta, GA
Judith B. Ittig, Washington, DC
Philip L. Bruner, Stillwater, MN
About the College of Commercial Arbitrators

Established in 2001, the College of Commercial Arbitrators is a national organization of commercial arbitrators providing a meaningful contribution to the profession, the public and to the businesses and lawyers who depend on commercial arbitration as a primary means of dispute resolution.

CCA promotes the highest standards of conduct, professionalism and ethical practice, develops “best practices,” and provides peer training and professional development.

The College provides interaction and communication in the profession, and offers an easy means to identify those individuals whose professional training and experience qualify them to undertake the most complex and difficult arbitration assignments.

20th Annual Meeting Chair: John R. Holsinger, President-Elect

Program Vice-Chairs: Laura A. Kaster, Deborah B. Mastin, Harrie Samaras and Stephen S. Strick

CCA Staff Liaisons: Donna J. Passons (Executive Director), Bill Seward (Assistant Director)

RINGING IN A NEW ERA!

Celebrating 20 years of CCA service during our first-ever virtual conference.

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General Information

Virtual Conference Details: This conference will occur live via Zoom (or similar videoconferencing platform) on the dates and times indicated. Access instructions will be provided via email to registered attendees in the days leading up to the events. Individual registration is required. Only registered attendees to the live events may receive MCLE credit. Attendance will be recorded and/or verified by the meeting platform and access details may not be shared. It is the responsibility of the attendee to ensure their technology and internet connection are sufficient for online participation. Sessions are being recorded. By participating you are granting consent for the display of your name, likeness and any questions/comments you may submit for CCA’s use in both the live and recorded versions. Your attendance/non-attendance at the 2020 virtual conference will count toward CCA’s mandatory annual meeting attendance requirement.

MCLE Credit: This program has been approved for 11.25 hours MCLE credit (1.50 hours ethics) in the State of Texas. Applications have been filed and are pending in other states. Session approval and credit hours may vary by state. Additional MCLE information and filing instructions will be provided before, during and after the conference.
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20th Annual Meeting
October 15-16, 2020
Online/Virtual Conference

MEETING REGISTRATION

Please submit your meeting registration and payment by September 25, 2020. Please see below for the cancellation policy. Meeting access information will be provided by email in advance of the conference. Additional details can be found in the brochure under “General Information.”

Register online at www.CCArbitrators.org or by sending the completed registration form & payment to:

CCA 20th Annual Meeting  Phone: (512) 372-8350
P.O. Box 4646  Fax: (512) 451-2911
Austin, TX 78765  Email: info@CCArbitrators.org

☐ Fellows Regular Registration (received by September 25, 2020) ..........................................................$175.00
☐ Fellows Late Registration (received after September 25, 2020 and by October 13, 2020) ......................$200.00

Conference Materials: Online access to the conference materials is included with your conference registration.

☐ I cannot attend the online annual meeting but would like to purchase the recorded version ..........$150.00

Access links to the conference materials and recorded sessions will be provided upon conclusion of the final Forum session in December. (Recordings are not eligible for MCLE credit or applicable toward CCA's required meeting attendance rule.)

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Refunds less a $25 processing fee will be granted to registrants who cancel on or before September 18, 2020. If notice is received after that date but on or before October 9, 2020, refunds will be granted less a $50 processing fee. No refunds will be granted thereafter. Online access to the recorded sessions and conference materials will be provided to pre-paid registrants that were unable to attend and did not receive a refund.