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21ST ANNUAL MEETING

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OCTOBER 28-29, 2021

VIRTUAL CONFERENCE

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 27TH

(ALL TIMES EASTERN TIME ZONE)

2:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Meeting of CCA Board of Directors

Current President *John Holsinger* and President Elect *Mark Heley* will preside over the CCA's Board Meeting. The Board and Officers will report on recent developments, address future plans for the CCA, discuss strategic planning initiatives, 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 28TH

(ALL TIMES EASTERN TIME ZONE)

12:00 Noon – 12:15 p.m.

Welcome & President's Comments

The CCA President and President-Elect will formally open the meeting, welcome Fellows and offer preliminary comments.

12:15 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.

Plenary #1 – Decision, Interrupted: Breaking Bias in Arbitrator Appointments

In this session, partnering with Dr. Ula Cartwright-Finch of Cortex Capital, we open the black box of arbitrator selection and explore the glitches and biases that can creep into decision-making during this critical process. Using intelligence gathered from CCA Fellows as well as cutting edge research on the science of unconscious bias, we discuss strategies for disrupting bias during the appointment of arbitrators, in order to promote fairness and diversity in arbitral tribunals.

Speaker: *Dr. Ula Cartwright-Finch*, Cortex Capital, London, England

Panelists: *Angela Foster, Ph.D.*, North Brunswick, NJ

Hon. Shira A. Scheindlin (Ret.), New York, NY

1:45 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Break

2:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

CCA Business Meeting

Introduction of New Board Members and New Fellows: In addition, CCA President John Holsinger shares his thoughts on his term as President of the CCA.

2:35 p.m. – 3:50 p.m.

Plenary #2 – What Happens When a Party Challenges the Arbitrator Selection Process Alleging Racial Bias?

We will examine the claims alleged by Jay Z in his New York litigation and the responses of the opposing side, the arbitration provider and the state court involved in the case. What claims were made? How did the court and the provider respond? What is being done to address diversity in our arbitration infrastructure and where do we go from here?

Allison J. Snyder, Houston, TX

Jeffrey T. Zaino, American Arbitration Association, New York, NY

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 29TH

(ALL TIMES EASTERN TIME ZONE)

12:00 Noon – 12:15 p.m.

Introduction & Welcome

12:15 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.

Plenary #3 – What's New? 2021 Annual Arbitration Update

Test your knowledge of new arbitration cases, legislation and regulatory developments! Join with the faculty in a highly interactive discussion of new case, legislative and regulatory developments in domestic and international arbitration. This fast-paced program presents questions and hypotheticals to the Fellows. The presenters use recent cases or legislation to identify new developments that should be of interest to all Fellows. Match your knowledge with your colleagues!

Mark A. Kantor, Washington, DC

Hon. Bruce E. Meyerson (Ret.), Phoenix, AZ

1:45 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Break

2:00 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.

Transition – Passing the Gavel, Recognition of John Holsinger by Mark J. Heley

2:20 p.m. – 3:50 p.m.

Plenary #4 – Ethics Practicum (1.50 hours ethics)

The Ethics Practicum is back for its 10th year. As always, in this interactive program CCA Fellows will work together in small groups to consider sophisticated and difficult arbitration problems, especially those dealing with ethical issues. Materials will be submitted in advance that describe real life scenarios from actual cases experienced by Fellows. Each small group will be asked to determine a resolution of the problems presented and be prepared to explain the group's thought process. The resolution for each problem will then be reviewed by all Fellows in a group session.

Eugene I. Farber, White Plains, NY

3:50 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Meeting Wrap-up



MCLE INFORMATION

MCLE Credit: This program has been approved for 5.75 hours MCLE credit (1.50 hours ethics) in the State of Texas. Applications have been filed and are pending in other states. Approved credit hours may vary by state. Full MCLE information will be available during and after the conference.

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October 28-29, 2021
Online/Virtual Conference

MEETING REGISTRATION

Please submit your meeting registration and payment by September 24, 2021. 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 21st Annual Meeting
P.O. Box 4646
Austin, TX 78765

Phone: (512) 372-8350
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Email: info@CCArbitrators.org

- Fellows Regular Registration (received by September 24, 2021)\$195.00
- Fellows Late Registration (received after September 24, 2021 and by October 27, 2021).....\$225.00

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

➤ *RSVP Requested --- Access details to this event will only be shared with Fellows who RSVP in advance.*

Wednesday, October 27 – Online CCA Board Meeting: All Fellows welcome but advance RSVP required.

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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.

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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 event. 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 2021 virtual conference will count toward CCA's mandatory annual meeting attendance requirement.

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