

Lunch Seminar

Pilot scheme for e-discovery in the courts and its implications for forensic practitioners and litigants in Hong Kong

About the topic

A pilot scheme for the discovery and provision of electronically-stored documents for commercial list court cases took effect on 1 September 2014. The scheme provides new rules for the handling and disclosure of e-documents between parties involved in civil litigation. This seminar will consider the new procedures, the judiciary's practice direction on e-discovery and the implications for practitioners and litigants. It will cover:

- The framework and content of the pilot scheme and the judiciary's practice direction.
- Key areas of the scheme to which the parties involved should pay attention.
- The practical implications of the scheme for forensic practitioners.
- How to manage the risks and costs associated with e-discovery in the court.
- Looking ahead and elsewhere: How is the field of e-discovery likely to develop in Hong Kong? What are developments taking place elsewhere?

About the event

Date & Time	18 November 2014, Tuesday 1:00 – 2:00 pm
Venue	HKIA Training Centre 27th Floor, Wynn Hotel 213 Queen's Road East, Wanchai
Fee	HK\$150 per person for ForensIG members HK\$250 per person for Non-ForensIG members <i>Priority is given to ForensIG members.</i> <i>Not a ForensIG member? Click here to join.</i>
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Language	English
Competency	Forensic accounting*
Rating	Intermediate level*
Application deadline	14 November 2014

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Rundown

12:30 pm	Registration (Sandwiches and drinks provided)
1:00 pm	Introduction
1:05 pm	Speakers' presentation
1:50 pm	Q&A / Discussion
2:00 pm	Closing

Speakers

Menachem Hasofer

Partner and International Arbitration Group's co-leader, Mayer Brown JSM

Richard Williams

Partner, Forensic & Dispute Services, Deloitte & Touche Financial Advisory Services

Chair

Guy Norman

Member, ForensIG Management Committee, and partner, Forensic & Dispute Services, Deloitte & Touche Financial Advisory Services



About the speakers

Menachem Hasofer is a partner of Mayer Brown JSM and Co-Leader of the firm's International Arbitration Group. He is experienced in litigation, arbitration and alternative dispute resolution with an emphasis on handling documents-intensive disputes arising from building construction and infrastructure projects.

Menachem advises companies on records retention and management, including storage and retrieval of electronically stored information and e-discovery. He is a co-author of chapters on international litigation and arbitration in Electronic Discovery Deskbook, published by Practising Law Institute, and was an active member of the Hong Kong Judiciary's working group for publication of the Practice Direction on e-discovery.

Menachem also has significant experience in public/ administrative law cases and is particularly in representing Hong Kong land owners and NGOs in judicial review proceedings concerning town planning, environmental and land lease decisions.

Richard Williams specialises in the use of technology as cost-cutting tools for complex business issues. In this regard, he has considerable experience in electronic discovery and can provide assistance in scoping, project management and overall cost control on these matters.

Richard has worked on many high profile cases in Australia, China, Japan, Korea and the EU, developing a close working relationship with his clients and a deep understanding of the issues at hand.

His experience also includes complex computer forensics investigations and data analytic investigations leading to the provision of expert evidence in legal proceedings.

Prior to relocating to China, Richard worked for Telstra Limited (Australia), within the Corporate Security & Investigations team where he provided advice and assistance on litigation and discovery matters. Richard was also the primary liaison person for law enforcement bodies in Australia and represented Telstra on various law enforcement committees.

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