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# THE SOCIETY OF CONSTRUCTION LAW, MALAYSIA

proudly announces the introduction of the

## **Vincent Powell-Smith Prize Essay Writing Competition**

Modelled along the highly acclaimed Hudson Prize, this competition is for essays on subject matters related to  
**Construction law of MALAYSIA**

Papers Submission Deadline : 31<sup>st</sup> July 2012, Tuesday, at 5.00 pm

**1<sup>st</sup> Prize : RM5,000 and a trophy**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Prize : RM2,000 and a trophy**

(Commendations may also be awarded)

with winning entries to be published by SCL Malaysia

\*\* The Society of Construction Law Malaysia offers the Vincent Powell-Smith Prize annually for the best essay submitted in the field of construction law. It is named after Professor Vincent Powell-Smith in recognition for his contribution to the study and practice of construction law in Malaysia.

# RULES AND GUIDELINES

1. Entries are invited from all disciplines and level of experience. Candidates may select any subject matter concerning the theory or practice of construction law or its application in the industry.

2. The Judging Panel will allocate marks to the following area:

50% - Originality of thought or approach and contribution to the study or practice of construction law or its applications in the industry;

40% - Quality of analysis, explanation and discussion of chosen topic. Considerable weight is given to the freshness of ideas and the value of the work;

10% - Clarity of presentation, grammar, spelling, punctuation and any referencing.

NB: Entries must be original, and not previously published elsewhere. The Society of Construction Law Malaysia reserves the right to publish any entries in hard copy and/or on its website, with copyright being held jointly by the author and the Society of Construction Law Malaysia.

3. Entries are to be:

(a) Not more than 5,000 words.

NB: While footnoting or other method of referencing sources does not count towards this total and is encouraged, footnoting is not to be used for substantive text. The judging panel's usual practice is to disregard the text of the paper to the extent it exceeds 5000 words.

(b) Identifiable by a covering letter or email:  
showing the title of entry, author's name, daytime telephone number and email address;  
confirming that the author accepts the terms set out in this invitation.

(c) Joint entries (no more than two authors) will be accepted but joint authors are to share any prize awarded.

(d) Entries must be submitted in Microsoft Word format and received by 5.00 pm Kuala Lumpur time on Tuesday, 31<sup>st</sup> July 2012, by email to the Secretary at [events@myscl.org](mailto:events@myscl.org) Late entries will not be forwarded to the judges.

(e) These rules and guidelines may be altered at any time by the Society of Construction Law Malaysia.

(f) The Society of Construction Law Malaysia retains absolute discretion as to whether to award a prize in this competition.

\*\* Please direct any queries by email to Mr. Lam Wai Loon at [lam@skrine.com](mailto:lam@skrine.com) or Mr. Thayananthan Baskaran at [thaya@zulrafique.com.my](mailto:thaya@zulrafique.com.my)

# THE JUDGING PANEL



## Dato' V.C. George

Dato' VC George was appointed Judge of the Court of Appeal in September 1994. Called to the English Bar at Lincoln's Inn on 2.2.1957, he practised at the Bar in Malaysia from 1957 – 1980. As an advocate and solicitor, he had served as Chairman of the State of Selangor (which included Kuala Lumpur) Bar Committee from 1972-1973, and as Chairman of the Malaysian Bar from 1974-1976.

Dato' VC George served as a Judge of the High Court of Malaya in 1981, and was promoted to the Court of Appeal in 1994. He retired from the Bench on 31.12.1995. Since his retirement, he has been, and is a Legal Consultant with Skrine, and sits as an arbitrator in domestic and international arbitrations.

## Dato' W.S.W. Davidson

Dato' W.S.W. Davidson was born on 3rd January 1935. Dato' W.S.W. Davidson was called to the English Bar at Grays Inn, London in 1957. He then served extended pupillage in London 1957 – 1959 and as Crown Counsel and legal draughtsman in the Attorney General's Chambers, Hong Kong 1960 - 1963. He has been in active legal practice in Malaysia since 1964. From 1981 to 1998 he was joint senior partner in the firm of Messrs Azman, Davidson & Co., Ipoh and Kuala Lumpur. Currently he is a consultant with same firm.



His special fields of practice include construction, arbitration, oil and gas, commercial/construction litigation/arbitration, taxation and commercial joint ventures. Dato' W.S.W. Davidson has extensive experience in the construction field including drafting of conventional, turnkey and EPC contracts offshore and onshore, and has extensive experience in dispute resolution as counsel and as arbitrator in construction related matters, both domestic and international, for the past 25 years.



## Dr. Zulhabri Ismail

Dr Zulhabri is a Fellow of Research, Research Management Institute (RMI) and Senior Lecturer in Construction Law, Faculty of Architecture Planning and Surveying, Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM). Dr Zulhabri holds Diploma in Building (ITM), Bachelor of Construction Management (Hons.) (UiTM), Master of Science in Construction Law & Arbitration (King's College London) and Doctor of Philosophy in Construction Law majoring in Dispute Resolution (UiTM).

Dr Zulhabri is the Head of Legal Aspects in Built Environment Initiative Group and active researcher in Construction Law. He sits as the Chairman/Technical Program Chair for various IEEE academic conferences, symposiums and colloquiums. Dr Zulhabri also serves as an Editorial Board Member for various built environment & engineering journals and conferences mainly focusing on construction law and management papers.



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