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DAVID MARTIN-CLARK LECTURES AT IMLI

Mr. David Martin-Clark visited the Institute on 7 January and delivered two lectures to the students of the IMLI Class of 2010/2011. During his lectures he discussed the UNCITRAL Convention on Carriage of Goods (wholly or partly) by Sea (The Rotterdam Rules) and Electronic Commerce in the context of shipping.



Mr. David Martin-Clark lecturing to the IMLI Class of 2010/2011

Mr. Martin-Clark upon explaining the background against which The Rotterdam Rules were adopted, provided an analysis of issues such as the Rules' scope of application, the period of carrier's responsibility, the nature/extent of carrier's responsibility, who is the performing party, what are the liabilities for delay, the shipper's responsibilities, delivery, and jurisdiction & arbitration.

In his second lecture Mr. Martin-Clark dealt with Electronic Commerce in the context of shipping and especially how The Rotterdam Rules have catered for Electronic Commerce. Mr. Martin-Clark also discussed the CMI Rules for Electronic Document Interchange (EDI) - 1991, the UNCITRAL Model Law on Electronic Commerce, and the UNCITRAL Model Law on Electronic Signatures.

Mr. Martin-Clark was educated at Dulwich College and Magdalen College, Oxford where he obtained a Law degree (1st Class Honours). He is a Barrister-at-Law in general commercial advisory practice, specialising in shipping, transport and insurance, particularly mutual insurance. As an Arbitrator he is a member of a number of internationally recognised associations of arbitrators. Mr. Martin-Clark is also accredited as a Mediator by Centre for Effective Dispute Resolution (CEDR). He works as a Consultant in Shipping, Transport and Insurance affairs.

During his earlier career he was employed for more than thirty years by the Thomas Miller Group, within which he occupied a number of high positions as Chairman and Chief Executive of the Miller Holding Company, Chairman and Director of its subsidiaries in the United Kingdom, Hong Kong, Singapore, Australia and the United States of America and as Senior Partner of both its on-shore and off-shore partnerships. He led the development of the Through Transport Mutual Insurance Association (the 'TT Club').

He is the editor of DMC's CaseNotes, a Legal Case Notes Website (www.onlinedmc.co.uk) for industry and professionals, lawyers and other advisers, and students.

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