



DAVID MARTIN-CLARK LECTURES AT IMLI

Mr. David Martin-Clark visited the Institute and delivered two lectures to the students of the IMLI Class of 2011/2012. His lectures focused on the UNCITRAL Convention on Carriage of Goods (wholly or partly) by Sea (The Rotterdam Rules) and Electronic Commerce in the context of shipping.



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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 carrier's liabilities for delay and what are the shipper's responsibilities

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 UNCITRAL Model Law on Electronic Commerce, and the UNCITRAL Model Law on Electronic Signatures. He went on to explain the functionality of electronic 'bill of lading' systems currently available in the commercial market.

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 with a practice in maritime arbitration and commercial dispute mediation. As an Arbitrator he is a full member of the London Maritime Arbitrators Association, a member of the German Maritime Arbitrators Association and a panellist arbitrator in Kuala Lumpur, Singapore, Hong Kong and Beijing. Mr. Martin-Clark is accredited as a Mediator by the Centre for Effective Dispute Resolution (CEDR). He also works as a Consultant in shipping, transport and insurance affairs.

During his earlier career he was worked for more than thirty years in the Thomas Miller Group, where he served 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 professionals, lawyers and other advisers, and students.

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