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THE FIRM

Cecil Abraham & Partners acts in a broad range of civil, commercial and construction disputes. Its practice varies from court and arbitration appearances to advice – both strategic and preventative – in the areas of practice referred to above. The members of the firm have significant court and arbitration (including investment treaty) experience. In recent years, clients have come to the firm for assistance in a wide range of matters including those relating to financial crimes, tax litigation, extradition and mutual assistance in criminal matters.

AREAS OF PRACTICE

The firm acts for Malaysia's national oil and gas corporation in a major dispute with the government of a constituent state of Malaysia. This dispute involves a claim for royalty payable for oil won and saved in the continental shelf off Malaysia.

The firm acts for Tenaga Nasional Berhad in ongoing disputes with YTL Power Generation Sdn Bhd in relation to the construction of lease agreements pertaining to the operation of several independent power plants.

The firm continues to act for the Attorney General of Malaysia (and its prosecutors), the Royal Malaysian Police (and various past Inspector Generals of Police and his officers), the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Agency (and its officers) in three separate disputes before the courts in Malaysia.

The firm also represents the present-day Prime Minister of Malaysia in several disputes wherein allegations of misfeasance in public office have been made. To date, in one of the suits, the high court has struck out the claim and the matter is presently on appeal.

The firm also acts for Maxis Communications Berhad, Astro All Asia Networks Ltd, South Asia Entertainment Holdings Ltd, Mr Ralph Marshall and Mr T Ananda Krishnan following the filing of a charge sheet before the 2G Court in New Delhi, in a dispute relating to investments in India which today amount to in excess of US\$12.01bn. The firm is also involved in two investment treaty claims arising from this principal dispute against the government of India.

More recently, the firm has acted as amicus curiae for the Association of Private Hospital Malaysia in several appeals before the Federal Court of Malaysia relating to the test applicable to doctors and private hospitals in claims for medical negligence where issues pertaining to vicarious liability and non-delegable duty are being raised for the first time.

The firm has also been instructed as counsel for the Majlis Ugama Islam Pahang in respect of appeals brought by Far East Holdings Berhad wherein the applicable test relating to the setting aside of an arbitration award under s37 and s42 of the



**LANGUAGES
SPOKEN**

English, Malay, Mandarin and
main Chinese dialects, Tamil

Arbitration Act 2005 along with the power of an arbitral tribunal to award pre-award and post-award interest are being determined for the first time by the apex court in Malaysia.

Of late, the firm has successfully acted for the Council of Regency in opposing a claim by Tengku Abdul Halim in relation to succession to the throne of the Sultan of Terengganu.

The firm has also been recently engaged to act as counsel in a pending appeal before the court of appeal for a large firm of accountants in a dispute instituted by bondholders for negligence wherein judgment in excess of RM150m has been entered against the lead arranger, the trustee and the said accounting firm.

The firm has also been engaged by a prominent food franchise in Malaysia in a corporate dispute between its shareholders and directors which involves its holding company and subsidiaries.

The firm continues to advise MRCB George Kent Sdn Bhd, the project delivery partner in so far as the MRT 2 Project in Malaysia is concerned.

Tan Sri Dato' Cecil Abraham continues to sit as arbitrator on a number of investment treaty disputes and international commercial arbitrations.

STAFF FIGURES

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Dispute resolution boutique **Cecil Abraham And Partners** handles a range of both arbitration and litigation with experience in contractual, tortious, privacy and breach of confidence claims, white collar crime and corporate governance disputes as well as contentious public and administrative issues. **Cecil Abraham** heads the practice and boasts a breadth of expertise.

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