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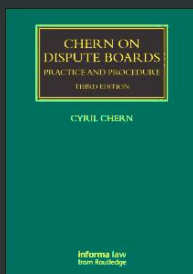
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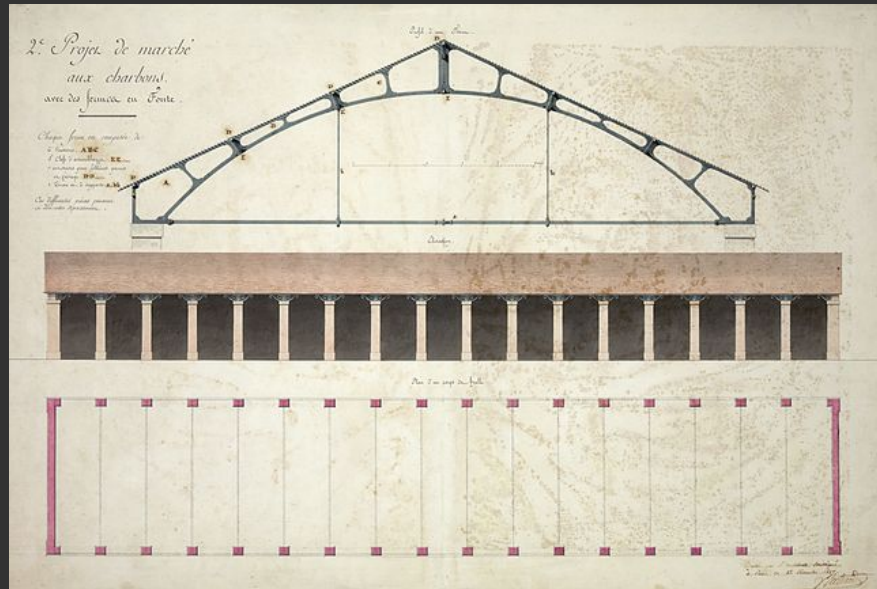
Join the DBF now and receive a FREE\* eBook of the newly released 3rd Edition of "Chern on Dispute Boards " by Dr Cyril Chern.



For more information about this limited-time promotion, please contact [Lori Fusello](#) in Member Services.

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About ***Chern on Dispute Boards.***



### Photo of the Month: The World's Largest Excavator



Liebherr's R9800 Excavator

Who doesn't like giant trucks, machines and cranes? Pictured here is the world's largest excavator, the R9800 by Liebherr Container Cranes Ltd., one of the world's largest manufacturers of construction machines.

### 3rd Edition

This new 3rd edition of "Chern on Dispute Boards" examines the law of dispute boards and their development around the world, while also covering procedural topics that are of particular concern to those utilising them. It deals with advanced practitioner issues in the emerging law of dispute boards on an international scale.

This book guides the reader through the complexities of commercial and construction disputes together with their successful resolution, as well as presenting a way forward for the dispute board members themselves to administer dispute boards all over the world. It is therefore the number one guide for construction lawyers and engineers, as well as dispute board stakeholders worldwide.

[This and other titles available for purchase through the DBF website bookstore.](#)

Do you have any colleagues with expertise in the fields of arbitration, surveying, engineering, construction, law or energy that would be an asset to our membership, or perhaps know someone who wants to learn more about Dispute Boards? Tell them about the DBF:

Discounts for  
**Members**

**See what others are saying about the DBF's training programmes & events:**

"I attended the DAB Intensive Training in Dublin-Ireland. My compliments to the great team of trainers, and to everybody who participated in the

Picture courtesy of Structural Engineering World's [Facebook](#) page. To check out more of Liebherr's machines and cranes visit their global [website](#).

## Welcome!



[Yvan Houle](#)  
[PDBF](#)

**Yvan Houle PDBF**  
Professional Member  
Partner  
Borden Ladner Gervais

Country: Canada

Expertise: Construction Law, Aboriginal Law, Product Liability, Team North®, Healthcare Capital Redevelopment, Financing and Procurement; Maritime Law

Yvan Houle has over 26 years experience as a lawyer. He is recognized as a leading lawyer in construction law by the foremost legal rankings publications. Yvan offers clients working in the construction and infrastructure fields his vast experience in procurement and tendering, negotiating, contract drafting and dispute resolution in a wide array of project delivery models, including:

- public-private partnerships (PPP)
- design-building-finance-maintenance (DBFM) contracts
- engineering procurement
- construction-maintenance (EPCM) contracts
- traditional design-bid and-build contracts

Mr. Houle is very active in these fields, as is evidenced by his major involvement in the Canadian Construction Association and the Institut pour le partenariat public et privé. As President of the national Construction and Infrastructure Law Section of the Canadian Bar Association, Yvan works closely with other practitioners in these areas of law across the country.



[Mahendra Prasanna M Kulatilleke, MDBF](#)

**Mahendra Prasanna M Kulatilleke, MDBF**  
Corporate Panel Member  
Senior Quantity Surveyor, Arbitrator

Country: Sri Lanka

Expertise: Senior Quantity Surveyor/Civil Engineering including Senior Management

Mr Kulatilleke has over 33 years experience as a Quantity Surveyor including Senior Management positions in Contract Management. He is versed in Planning and Programming and in analytical and forensic skills.

His previous experience includes Director in charge of Cost Management and Quantity Surveying of Project Management and Engineering Consultants (PROMEC), one of the leading consulting engineering firms in Sri Lanka.

Mr Kulatilleke has also practised as a sole practitioner engaged in

organization of the training! As an employee of a construction company, I gained valuable knowledge that every Contractor needs to know when it comes to disputes and DAB decisions in large construction projects. The trainers shared with us not only their huge knowledge and experience regarding DAB matters, but we were also able to learn more about very important related issues of claims and contract management. I am grateful for having a privilege to participate."

**Sead Dizdarevic**  
Euro-Asfalt  
Sarajevo, Bosnia Hercegovina

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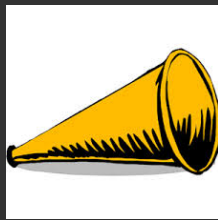
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preparation of claims, contracts, administration and preparation of estimates; Cost Management and Quantity Surveying.

Mr Kulatilleke is also an esteemed member of:

- Fellow Member of The Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors UK
- Fellow Member of The Chartered Institute of Building UK
- Certified Project Management Professional Project Mgmt Institute USA
- Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators UK

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We would love to share what's happening with our members. Please email our publications manager Lori Fusello [l.fusello@dbfederation.org](mailto:l.fusello@dbfederation.org) with your news!

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