



The Commercial Bar Association

THE COMMERCIAL BAR ASSOCIATION

North American Meeting

Hotel Monteleone, New Orleans

Thursday 30th May and Friday 31st May 2019

PROGRAMME

EVENING OF WEDNESDAY 29th May

18:30 Welcome Reception, Riverview, Hotel Monteleone

Welcome Reception for members, spouses/partners and families. We will be joined by some distinguished New Orleans lawyers. Dress code: Lounge suits / smart casual.

19:00 Andrew Spink QC, Chair of COMBAR, will say a few words of welcome.

Judy Perry Martinez, President-elect of the American Bar Association, will respond on behalf of our guests from New Orleans.

20:00 Reception ends

Free evening

THURSDAY 30th May – North American Meeting, Vieux Carre, Hotel Monteleone

09.00 Coffee on arrival

09:25 Introduction: Henry King QC, Chair, North America Committee

09.30 **SESSION 1: Recent developments in commercial litigation**

Chair: Chief Judge Carl E. Stewart (United States Court of Appeals, Fifth Judicial Circuit, Louisiana)

- Panel:**
1. Yahnnes Cleary (Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP, New York)
 2. Michael d'Arcy (One Essex Court, London)
 3. William Peterson (Morgan Lewis, Houston)
 4. Jeremy Richmond (Quadrant Chambers, London)

11:00 Coffee/tea break

11:15 **SESSION 2: Interlocutory Relief**

Chair: John Behrendt (UBS)

- Panel:**
1. Peter Banks (Borden Ladner Gervais LLP, Calgary)
 2. Michael Brindle QC (Fountain Court Chambers, London)
 3. Jan Golaszewski (Carey Olsen, Cayman Islands)
 4. David Grant (Outer Temple Chambers, London)

13:00 Lunch

14:00 **SESSION 3: Cross-border proceedings**

Chair: Rosalind Nicholson (Walkers, BVI)

Panel: 1. Peter Koski (Covington & Burling, Washington DC)
 2. Adam Kramer (3 Verulam Buildings, London)
 3. Alex Potts QC (Kennedys, Bermuda)
 4. Daniel Rubens (Orrick, New York)

15:30 Coffee/tea

15:45 **SESSION 4: Unusual things which can arise in commercial litigation**

Chair: Carlos Malpica (Malpica Iturbe Buj & Paredes, Mexico City)

Panel: 1. Megan Wold (Kirkland & Ellis LLP, Washington DC)
 2. James Willan (Essex Court Chambers, London)
 3. James Purchas (4 Pump Court, London)
 4. Geoff Hall (McCarthy Tétrault, Toronto)

17:00 End of session

THURSDAY evening – reception on board the Creole Queen for a 2 hour cruise along the Mississippi
Dress code: smart casual

18:15 Group gathers in the lobby of the Hotel Monteleone to go to the boarding area. Guests can either walk or take a taxi/pedicab to the paddlewheeler.

19:00 **prompt** Creole Queen leaves dock. Cruise and reception begin.

21:00 Reception ends. Arrival back at harbour.

Free evening

FRIDAY 31st May – North American Meeting, Vieux Carre, Hotel Monteleone

10:00 Coffee on arrival

10:15 **Debate: This house believes that cross-examination of factual witnesses merits its central place in the trial process in commercial cases**

Preceded by 20 minute talks, with questions from the teams, from each of:

1. Professor Martin Conway (City University, London) on “Memory and the Law”
2. Dr Douglas Green (Douglas Green Associates, Inc, Covington) on witness credibility

Chair: The Honourable Mr Justice Teare (Judge in charge of the Commercial Court, London)

Proposing the motion:

1. F. Paul Morrison (Miller Thomson LLP, Toronto)
2. Steven Molo (MoloLamken LLP, New York)
3. Joe Smouha QC (Essex Court Chambers, London)

Opposing the motion:

1. Charles Béar QC (Fountain Court Chambers, London)
2. Georgina Peters (South Square, London)
3. Nicole Sullivan (White & Williams LLP, New York)

Registered floor speakers: Ishan Bhabha (*Jenner & Block LLP, Washington DC*), John Campion (*Gardiner Roberts LLP, Toronto*), Timothy Ellam QC (*McCarthy Tétrault, Calgary*), Robert Kry (*MoloLamken, Washington DC*), Javier Sans Roig (*Bufete Roig Aran, Barcelona*), Andrew Spink QC (*Outer Temple Chambers, London*); unregistered floor speakers as time and the Chair permit.

13:00 Lunch
End of Meeting
Free afternoon

FRIDAY EVENING – Reception and dinner in the Great Hall, John Minor Wisdom United States Court of Appeals Building, New Orleans, by kind invitation of Chief Judge Carl E. Stewart

Dress code: lounge suits

18:40 Group gathers in the lobby of the Hotel Monteleone for the 12 minute walk (or cab ride) to the Court of Appeals Building

19:00 Reception starts

19:30 Dinner starts

Closing remarks: The Honourable Mr Justice Teare

Vote of thanks: Henry King QC (Chair, North America Committee)

22:30-23:00 Evening ends