

## NEW YORK ARBITRATION WEEK 2021



### PANEL ONE: Changing Roles or Changing Robes: Perceptions and Realities of Judicial Experience in International Arbitration

**Date:** Thursday, Nov. 18, 2021 | 11:00 AM New York | 4:00 PM London | 10:30 PM Bangalore

#### Program Description:

The panel will speak from their own experience as a former-judge arbitrator, sitting judge and in-house counsel regarding the role of judicial experience in international arbitration. The panel will review and discuss some of the concerns that practitioners and institutions have raised, identifying the perception of a former-judge arbitrator and whether this is the experience in practice. The panel will also examine whether the underlying concerns relate to arbitrator background, practice and jurisdictional experience with civil vs. common law processes, the role of witnesses and discovery, and how active an arbitrator will or will not perform during the hearing. The goal of the panel is not to come to a conclusion, instead it is to recognize assumptions and challenge perceptions.

#### Moderator:

**Hon. Ariel E. Belen (Ret.), FCI Arb** | *International Mediator and Arbitrator, JAMS – New York*

#### Speakers:

- **Justice Indu Malhotra (Former Judge, Supreme Court of India)** | *International Arbitrator – Bangalore*
- **Rt. Hon. Lord Neuberger of Abbotsbury** | *International Arbitrator, One Essex Chambers – London*
- **Hon. Justice Saliann Scarpulla** | *Associate Justice, Appellate Division, First Department, Supreme Court of the State of New York – New York*
- **Abby Cohen Smutny** | *Global Head of International Arbitration Practice, White & Case – Washington, D.C.*

#### TIMED AGENDA

11:00-11:05 AM	Welcome and Introduction of Panel	Hon. Ariel E. Belen (Ret.), FCI Arb
11:05-11:50 AM	Panel Discussion Changing Roles or Changing Robes: Perceptions and Realities of Judicial Experience in International Arbitration	Hon. Ariel E. Belen Justice Indu Malhotra Rt. Hon. Lord Neuberger of Abbotsbury Hon. Justice Saliann Scarpulla Abby Cohen Smutny
11:50-12:00 PM	Q&A	Hon. Ariel E. Belen Justice Indu Malhotra Rt. Hon. Lord Neuberger of Abbotsbury Hon. Justice Saliann Scarpulla Abby Cohen Smutny