



# GENERAL MOTORS

## Accelerated Route to Fellowship (International Arbitration) Assessment

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**Detroit, MI /**  
**Windsor, ON**



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North American Branch**

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**Venue:**

**General Motors' Headquarters  
Renaissance Center  
Detroit, MI 48243**

**Internationally Renowned Faculty**



**Trey Bergman, FCI Arb:** Trey Bergman has served as single arbitrator, panelist and chairman on hundreds of national and international arbitrations since 1990 in cases ranging from complex multi-party to simple disputes including banking, commercial, construction, consumer, contract, copyright, employment, franchise, health law, insurance, malpractice, oil & gas, partnership, personal injury, real estate, securities, and trademark matters. He is the current chair of the Alternative Dispute Resolution Section, State Bar of Texas, a Fellow and Board Member of the College of Commercial Arbitrators. He is Board Certified in Civil Trial Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization and has arbitrated and mediated more than \$95 Billion in disputes.



**Gary Birnberg, FCI Arb:** Gary Birnberg is a full-time neutral with JAMS, and a member of CPR's Panel of Distinguished Neutrals. He specialized in resolution of international commercial disputes, including automotive, insurance, transportation, oil & gas, sports & entertainment, and art. He is affiliated or has arbitrated and/or mediated with various institutes, including CAM-CCBC, CPR, FINRA, ICC, and the Russian Institute of Modern Arbitration. Fluent in English, French, and Portuguese, he holds an MBA from INSEAD (France) and has served as a business relations intermediary, management consultant, corporate board member, entrepreneur, trainer, speaker, and advisor to companies worldwide.



**Katherine Smith Dedrick, FCI Arb:** Katherine Smith Dedrick has years of experience as lead counsel and consultant in domestic and international complex commercial trials, arbitrations and mediations, and serves as an arbitrator and mediator in commercial arbitrations and insurance matters. As the co-founder of an international consulting company with a joint venture in Asia, she has significant experience with international courts, mediations and arbitrations, having managed cases through some of the highest courts in the Asia Pacific Region, and handled disputes in other countries. She is a CPR Distinguished Neutral and the current Vice-Chair of the Dispute Resolution Committee of the American Bar Association's Tort Trial Insurance Practice Section (TIPS). Katherine has an MBA from the University of Chicago Booth School of Business.



**David E. Harrell Jr., FCI Arb:** David Harrell is Co-Chair of the Litigation Department of Locke Lord LLP and chairs the Firm's International Arbitration practice group. He has extensive trial and arbitration experience in the areas of energy litigation, commercial litigation and land use/permitting litigation including representations of plaintiffs and defendants in contract disputes, fiduciary relations issues, usury claims, real estate litigation, fraud, securities collection, deceptive trade practices, Lanham Act

and first party insurance defense. Additionally, he is Adjunct Professor at the University of Houston Law Center where he teaches "International Arbitration Advocacy."



**Amb. (r.) David Huebner, C.Arb:** David Huebner has more than 25 years' experience as an arbitrator and advocate in international, investment, and complex commercial arbitrations and is a CPR Distinguished Neutral. He has particular expertise in technology and life sciences disputes but has handled matters across a wide range of industry sectors, legal issues, and geographic regions. Currently based in California, he hears cases internationally and has in the past been based for extended periods in Tokyo, Shanghai, and New York. Amb. Huebner served as the American Ambassador to New Zealand and the Independent State of Samoa from 2009 to early 2014, appointed by President Barack Obama.



**Daniel Urbas, FCI Arb:** Mr. Urbas is an experienced arbitrator with 25 years of dispute resolution experience. He sits regularly as a sole arbitrator and as chair or member of three-member panels. His appointments have been by individual parties, jointly by the parties, the court, and institutions such as ICC, CCAC and IATA. Mr. Urbas is listed on various rosters including AAA, ICD and CIETAC. Fluent in both English and French with degrees in both Common Law and Civil Law, Mr. Urbas is an active member of the Québec, Ontario, British Columbia, Newfoundland, and Labrador law societies. He is frequent speaker and guest lecturer at law societies and law schools regarding international arbitration and arbitration ethics.



**Program Director – James Reiman, FCI Arb:** Chair of the North America Branch of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators. Jim Reiman is an arbitrator and mediator of domestic and international commercial disputes and is a CPR Distinguished Neutral. He has 18 years experience as a trial and commercial transactions attorney practicing in Chicago, IL law firms followed by 15+ years as CEO, chairman and board director of public and private companies in the US, UK and China. In addition to his ADR and board work, Jim is a member of the faculty of the University of Oxford's Oxford Programme on Negotiation.

### **Accelerated Route to Fellowship (International Arbitration) Assessment**

The three-day Accelerated Route to Fellowship program is designed for senior practitioners in the field of dispute resolution. Fellowship is the highest grade of CI Arb membership and allows the use of the designation FCI Arb.

The program focuses on applicable laws and procedures for the conduct of efficient arbitration hearings in complex international cases. Satisfactory assessment of performance in role play exercises will permit the candidate to take the award writing examination for qualification as a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, which will be administered as part of the program.

The three-day program is a process comprised of three elements:

#### **1. Oral Assessment**

This element of the Accelerated Route to Fellowship Programme consists of two days of



oral assessment based on a case study of a dispute. You will be assessed on your knowledge, judgment and self-presentation on a series of problems, written exercises and role play, as well as your reasoned award writing ability.

## **2. Written Assessment**

Written assignments will be part of the assessment process during the workshop. One of the written assignments will be prepared in advance of the workshop and will be collected early on the first day of the workshop.

## **3. Award Writing Examination**

This element consists of a written open book examination in which an Award must be written and fully reasoned, based on the evidence in an arbitration proceeding. The exam is administered as part of this program. To receive a passing grade, the Award must meet international standards for enforcement. This element is included in the tuition cost of this program.

Following successful completion of the three elements described above candidates may apply for a Peer Interview. There will be a separate charge for the Peer Interview process: it is not included in the tuition cost of this program.

**Who Should Attend?** You are a practicing lawyer with at least 10 years litigation and/or Dispute Resolution experience. For further information regarding one's qualification to participate in the program, please contact Jim Reiman, Program Director ([jreiman@ReimanADR.com](mailto:jreiman@ReimanADR.com)).

**Assessment.** Continual assessment throughout the workshop, written submittals and award writing exam.

**Assessment Result.** Successfully passing the Oral and Written assessments at the Accelerated Route to Fellowship program allows the candidate to take the Award Writing Examination. Successful completion of the Award Writing Examination and (separate) Peer Review Interview allows the candidate to apply for Fellow status (for full details of route to Fellowship, please visit the CI Arb website [www.ciarb.org](http://www.ciarb.org)). Candidates can apply for Associate membership with the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators at any time.

## **Frequently Asked Questions**

### **What will happen in the oral assessment sessions?**

You will be in small groups with two or more assessors. You will be given a case study of a commercial contract and the events which lead to a dispute between a number of parties. During the assessment workshops, various situations or problems which might arise during arbitration will be put to you and you will discuss how you would deal with them. There are also written exercises and role plays.

### **What grade of membership will I be entitled to?**

You may apply as an Associate member at any time.

If you do not pass the oral and written assessments, you will not be permitted to take the Award Writing Exam.



If you pass the oral and written assessments for the Accelerated Route to Fellowship program, and are not already a member, you will be entitled to apply for Member status. This applies whether you pass the Award Writing Exam or not. Applying for Member status as soon as possible is encouraged as all persons applying for Fellow status must first be Members of the Institute.

If you do not pass the Award Writing Exam, you will not be permitted to proceed to the Peer Interview process for Fellowship status.

If you successfully pass the oral and written assessments for the Accelerated Route to Fellowship program as well as the Award Writing Exam you will be able to apply for a Peer Interview, following successful completion of which you may apply to upgrade your membership level from Member to Fellow status.

### **Continuing Legal Education (CLE)**

This program has been approved for 15.5 New York CLE Skills Credits\*\*\*. CLE credits for Illinois and other states are pending. Forms for filing in other states will be provided. CLE credits earned are between 8 and 14 credits depending upon the state.

\*\*\*This course is non-transitional, for experienced attorneys only. The CPR Institute has been certified by the New York State Continuing Legal Education Board as an Accredited Provider of continuing legal education in the State of New York. CPR is a non-profit organization. Under financial hardship guidelines, at its discretion, CPR may waive the fee for attorneys who demonstrate that they are not currently employed (not retirees). CPR may also provide a special discounted price to attorneys, full-time judges and administrative law judges practicing in the non-profit and public sectors full time. E-mail [info@cpradr.org](mailto:info@cpradr.org) for more information.

### **Timing and Scheduling**

The workshops will commence promptly at 9:00 AM on Friday, May 3, 2019 and will conclude at 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 4, 2019. The award writing examinations will commence at 9:00 a.m. and conclude at 1:30 p.m. on Sunday, May 5, 2019. For those scheduling flights, we suggest you plan on departing the host venue's offices no earlier than 2:30 p.m. to assure that you've time to properly turn in your exam, complete all post-exam forms, and receive your Certificate of Attendance.

There will be a cocktail reception and dinner for Candidates and Faculty on Friday, May 3, 2019 starting at 6:30 p.m. The cost of this dinner is included in your tuition fee.

**All participants will receive a VIP invitation to [CPR's 'Cocktails and Conversation' panel and networking event](#) on Thursday, May 2, 2019.**

**We are anticipating strong demand for this program and would ask that you register at the earliest possible date. **Registration is limited!****

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### **Hotel Information**

Feel free to contact any of these nearby hotels. However, please know that the Detroit Marriott at the Renaissance Center is in the program venue building, and the Courtyard Detroit Downtown is connected to the Renaissance Center via a walkway bridge. **No arrangements have been made regarding pricing.**

#### **Detroit Marriott at the Renaissance Center**

Renaissance Center  
400 Renaissance Drive  
Detroit, Michigan 48243  
+1 313 568-8000

[LINK](#)

#### **Courtyard Detroit Downtown**

333 East Jefferson Ave  
Detroit Michigan 48226  
+1 313 22-7700

[LINK](#)

#### **Other nearby hotels:**

#### **Crowne Plaza Detroit Downtown Riverfront**

2 Washington Blvd.  
Detroit, MI 48226  
+1-313 965-0200

[LINK](#)

#### **Holiday Inn Express & Suites Detroit Downtown**

1020 Washington Boulevard  
Detroit, MI 48226  
+1 313 887-7000

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## **REGISTRATION**

On-line registration and additional information for the program is available at  
<https://www.cpradr.org/events-classes/skills-cle-training/upcoming/CIArb-CPR-Joint-International-Arbitration-Training-Detroit>



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## Fees

### Accelerated Route to Fellowship Program registration fee:

**\$1,950.00\*** – General attendees

**\$1,650.00\*** – CPR and CIArb members

**\$1,750.00\*** – per registrant for groups of 3 or more from the same firm

\* Fee includes all workshop materials, coffee, refreshments, continental breakfast, lunch and dinner on May 3, 2019, continental breakfast and lunch on May 4, 2019, a continental breakfast on May 5, 2019 and a VIP invitation to [CPR's 'Cocktails and Conversation' panel and networking event](#) on Thursday, May 2, 2019. Tuition for Accelerated Route to Fellowship Program includes the Oral Assessment and Award Writing examination. For applicants requiring a Visa Letter there is an additional cost of \$75 (to defray expenses).

**Cancellation:** A cancellation fee of \$150 will be charged if cancellation is prior to April 1, 2018; \$500 if after April 1, 2018 but prior April 12, 2019. No tuition refunds will be made if cancellation is after April 12, 2019, however the full tuition sum paid less \$500 may be credited toward a future Accelerated Route to Fellowship program offered by the North America Branch and the Canada Branch of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators.