



CPR Announces New Leadership on Banking & Financial Services, Construction Advisory, Healthcare & Life Sciences Committees

New York (June 7, 2018) – The International Institute for Conflict Prevention and Resolution (CPR), a global non-profit organization that advances dispute prevention and resolution practices and provides high quality solutions, announced several key committee leadership changes on its Banking and Financial Services, Construction Advisory and Healthcare and Life Sciences Committees.

Lani Perlman of Holwell Shuster & Goldberg LLP and **Sarah Kirby** of KPMG will serve as the new co-chairs of the Banking and Financial Services Committee. The Banking and Financial Services Committee develops and considers innovative approaches to resolving disputes among financial institutions. It has sponsored presentations on bi-lateral investment treaties, the “mediation window,” the Economical Litigation Agreement and ADR in bankruptcy cases, as well as on the subprime market and the role of ADR in private party litigation involving hedge funds.

Laura Stipanowich of Bechtel will serve as the new Vice Chair of the Construction Advisory Committee. The Construction Advisory Committee consists of in-house counsel, attorneys and leading neutrals who convene to analyze and establish benchmarks to address issues of critical importance within construction industry. Past work products of the Committee include *Rules for Expedited Arbitration of Construction Disputes* as well as three briefings produced by subcommittees: *Partnering: A Management Best Practice*; *Realistic Allocation of Risks: The First Step in Dispute Prevention*; and *Dispute Review Boards (DRBs): A Management Best Practice*.

Judith Hasko of Latham & Watkins LLP will be the new co-chair of the Healthcare and Life Sciences Committee. The Healthcare and Life Sciences Committee comprises leading practitioners, corporate counsel and academics with experience resolving disputes among healthcare and life sciences corporations, institutions and parties involving issues specific to these entities and the complex regulatory framework in which they operate. The Committee has put together ADR seminars for the industry, most recently “Fast Track and Baseball Arbitration for Commercial Disputes.”

“Even during the so-called sleepy days of summer, CPR’s committees continue to move forward at an inspiring pace—in terms of new leadership, increased engagement and collaboration and a slate of exciting planned events,” said Noah Hanft, President and CEO of CPR. “Our industry- and subject-specific committees never cease in their efforts to analyze dispute resolution

challenges, recommend global best practices and publish materials on issues at the forefront of legal debate. They are truly the lifeblood of our organization.”

About CPR: CPR is an independent nonprofit organization that has helped global businesses prevent and resolve commercial disputes effectively and efficiently for more than 40 years. Our membership consists of top corporations and law firms, academic and government institutions, and leading mediators and arbitrators around the world. CPR is unique as: (1) a thought leader, driving a global dispute resolution culture; (2) a developer of cutting edge tools and resources, powered by the collective innovation of its membership; and (3) an ADR provider offering innovative, practical arbitration rules, mediation and other dispute resolution procedures, and neutrals worldwide. For more information, please visit www.cpradr.org.