



**Accelerated Path to Fellowship:  
International Commercial Arbitration Workshop  
& Award Writing Examination**

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## **Accelerated Route to Fellowship Program**

The Accelerated Route to Fellowship Program is a designed for senior practitioners in the field of dispute resolution procedures. Fellowship is the highest grade of Institute 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. *NB, 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 weekend 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 experience and experienced in the area of Alternate Dispute Resolution.

**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 grade. This applies whether you pass the Award Writing Exam or not. Applying for Member grade 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.

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.

## Timing and Scheduling

The workshops will commence at 9:00 AM on Friday, June 7, 2019 and conclude at 5:00 PM on Saturday, June 8, 2019. The award writing examinations will commence at 9:00 AM and conclude at 1:00 PM on Sunday, June 9, 2019.

There will be a cocktail and dinner for Candidates and Faculty on Friday, June 7, 2019 starting at 6:30 PM.

We are anticipating strong demand for this program and would ask that you confirm registration at the earliest possible date.

## Venue

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## Hotel

To be determined

## Continuing Legal Education (CLE)

CLE approval pending

## Program Fee

### Accelerated Route to Fellowship Program registration fee:

**\$1,950.00– General attendees**

**\$1,750.00 – Current JAMS Neutrals**

**\$1,750.00 – Current CI Arb members upgrading their membership**

**\$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 June 7, 2019, continental breakfast and lunch on June 8, 2019, and continental breakfast on June 9, 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 fee** of \$150 if cancellation is prior to May 10, 2019, \$500 if after May 10, 2019 but prior to May 24, 2019, and full tuition if cancellation is after June 3, 2019.

## Registration and Additional Information for the Program

On-line registration and additional information for the programs is available at <http://www.internationalarbitrators.org/events-and-training-courses>.

The course is being held at:

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