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RESTATEMENT OF THE U.S. LAW OF
INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL ARBITRATION

A Bench-Bar Dialogue

October 20, 2015 | 5:00 PM-7:00 PM
Including Reception

Over 90 years ago, the American Law Institute (ALI) began formulating restatements for the purpose of fostering clarity, consistency and coherence in the law, along with an element of reform as appropriate. For the first time, a Restatement of the U.S. Law of International Commercial Arbitration is in progress. Its five chapters are:

- CHAPTER 1 Definitions
- CHAPTER 2 Enforcing the agreement to arbitrate
- CHAPTER 3 Judicial assistance to the arbitral proceeding
- CHAPTER 4 Post-award relief (vacatur, confirmation, recognition/enforcement of foreign awards, correction/modification)
- CHAPTER 5 Investor-State Arbitration

Of the five chapters, three (chs. 1, 2 and 4) have been formally approved by the ALI Council and Membership and are being cited by courts, and the other two (chs. 3 and 5) are well underway.

In this special program, Professor George A. Bermann of Columbia Law School — chief reporter of the Restatement, along with three associate reporters — will engage in conversation with John Pierce, Head of International Arbitration in the New York office of Wilmer Cutler Pickering Hale & Dorr LLP, about the current status of the project, the major issues that have stirred debate and occasional controversy, and the challenges ahead. This area of law is characterized by a complex intersection of treaty obligations as well as federal and state law. The event will also feature a “Q&A” with Professor Bermann on the judicial role in international commercial arbitration generally.

The program promises to be stimulating and instructive.



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