

SAVE THE DATE

Domestic and International Arbitration

Understanding and Leveraging the New Regime in PNG

**Monday 14 and Tuesday 15 September
2.00pm-5.30pm**

Banquet Halls 1 and 2, The Hilton, Port Moresby



Dear Members,

The Papua New Guinea Law Society, in partnership with the Asian Development Bank's Pacific Private Sector Development Initiative (PSDI), invites you to a free two half-day Seminar on the new arbitration regime in PNG.

Domestic and International Arbitration: Understanding and Leveraging the New Regime in PNG

- Monday 14 and Tuesday 15 September 2026, 2.00pm to 5.30pm
- Banquet Halls 1 and 2, The Hilton Port Moresby
- *Followed by a networking event and Certificate of Completion presentation:*
Tuesday 15 September 2026, 6.00pm

With the Arbitration (Domestic) Act 2024 and the Arbitration (International) Act 2024 now in force, the seminar is designed to give practitioners practical command of the new framework and how to use it to clients' advantage.

The program will cover:

- How arbitration works and why it is the most used and effective means of resolving business disputes worldwide
- How to draft an arbitration clause
- How to select an arbitrator and conduct an arbitration domestically and internationally
- Key provisions of the Arbitration (Domestic) Act 2024 and the Arbitration (International) Act 2024
- The interplay between the courts and arbitration
- Enforcing and resisting arbitration awards

Speakers:

- The Hon. Deputy Chief Justice Kandakasi KBE (Keynote, Day 1)
- The Hon. Justice Wood (Keynote, Day 2)

- Daniel Meltz AM, Barrister
- Julian Cohen, Barrister

Each day closes with a panel Q&A.

Who should attend:

Private and government sector lawyers and in-house counsel advising on domestic or overseas contracts for goods and services, including energy, mining, oil and gas, renewables, construction, technology, banking, forestry, fishing, agribusiness, shipping, sport and tourism.

CPD and certification:

Attendance counts towards CPD points. Members who register and attend both sessions will receive a certificate of completion and an invitation to the complimentary networking event on the evening of Tuesday 15 September.

Registration:

Places are free but there are **only 80 spaces for lawyers**. To register for this Seminar, please email Ms Natasha Lahui on her email address:

natasha.lahui@pnglawsociety.org.pg . Registrations close **10 September 2026**.

*Full details of the program are available in the **attached pdf**.*

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