



Silicon Valley Arbitration & Mediation Center Announces International Task Force Leaders

PALO ALTO, Calif – [Silicon Valley Arbitration & Mediation Center](#) (SVAMC), a leading nonprofit in Palo Alto, California, announced a newly formed International Task Force. SVAMC provides resources for efficient dispute resolution to the global technology sector. It publishes the annual List of the World’s Leading Technology Neutrals, commonly referred to as “The Tech List.”

“The SVAMC International Task Force will engage technology companies, law firms and arbitration/mediation providers, particularly in technology centers in Europe, Asia and Latin America, in thinking about smarter, faster and more cost-effective practices to resolve business disputes,” said [Gary L. Benton](#), SVAMC’s Chairman.

Resolution of cross-border legal disputes has come into greater focus in the past decade as international business dealings increase. Advancements in technology have facilitated doing business around the globe and, while interactions are usually harmonious, the number of international disputes is increasing at a rapid pace.

The International Task Force Co-chairs are [Paul H. Cohen](#), a barrister and New York-qualified lawyer based in London and San Francisco, and [Grant L. Kim](#), a partner with LimNexus in San Francisco. Mr. Cohen was the co-head of 12 Gray’s Inn Square Chambers, which he founded with renowned arbitrator the late Arthur Marriott QC. Mr. Cohen is a prominent presence in US, UK and European international arbitration forums and is the Editor-in-Chief of the Journal of Technology in International Arbitration. Mr. Kim is similarly prominent in US and Asian international arbitration forums and as an intellectual property litigator. He previously worked with Morrison & Foerster in San Francisco and Tokyo, and in Seoul, where he helped the largest Korean law firm to establish its international arbitration practice. He is Chair of the Northern California Chapter of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators. Additional International Task Force members in the UK, Europe, Asia and Latin America will be announced shortly.

“SVAMC is bringing together technology companies and a new generation of international practitioners who understand technology and appreciate using it in effective ways,” said Cohen. “Technology, by definition, is at the forefront of change and innovation. I look forward to working with SVAMC in providing meaningful innovation for users of dispute resolution resources, in partnership with the tech sector, legal professionals and leading arbitral institutions.”

ABOUT: SVAMC is a non-profit serving the global technology sector through educational programming and related activities. SVAMC works with leading technology companies, law firms, ADR institutions and universities in Silicon Valley and around the globe to promote effective and efficient resolution of technology-related business disputes. SVAMC is an affiliate of the Global Technology Dispute Resolution Council.

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