This event brings together some of the world’s leading aviation liability experts to address the following topics:

- **RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN AVIATION LIABILITY AND INSURANCE**
- **LIABILITY OF AIRLINES, LESSORS AND MANUFACTURERS OF AIRCRAFT, ENGINES & COMPONENT PARTS**
- **CONSUMER PROTECTION REGULATION & LITIGATION**
- **FORUM NON CONVENIENS**
- **UNRULY PASSENGERS AND LIABILITY FOR ACTS OF UNLAWFUL INTERFERENCE**
- **ACCIDENT INVESTIGATIONS, INCIDENT REPORTING & CRIMINALIZATION OF INTERNATIONAL AVIATION**
- **LIABILITY FOR AEROSPACE TRANSPORTATION**
- **AIR CARRIER LIABILITY & ALLIANCE IMMUNITY UNDER ANTITRUST AND COMPETITION LAWS**

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- Toulouse 2008
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- Montreal 2009
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- Montreal 2011
PROGRAMME

FRIDAY, APRIL 17
7:30 – 9:00
REGISTRATION

9:00 – 9:10
INTRODUCTORY REMARKS
Dean Daniel Jutras – McGill University Faculty of Law, Montreal

9:10 – 10:30
RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN AVIATION LIABILITY & INSURANCE
• Update on passenger claims under the Montreal Convention
• Sanctions imposed by the US Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) highlighting the major regulations -Iran, Syria and Sudan: overview and effect on aviation claims resolution
• State of the Union on Cargo: from amended Warsaw to Montreal 1999
• Challenges of achieving global uniformity in jurisdictional approaches to cargo litigation
• The 1973 Hague Convention on the law applicable to products liability: choice of law issues in aviation cases
• FOBs/instructions issued by manufacturers and their impact on liability

CHAIR:
• Jim Morris – Irwin Mitchell, London
SPEAKERS:
• Dan Correl – Clyde & Co., New York
• Frank H. Granito III* – Speiser Krause, New York
• Thomas Rouhette – Hogan Lovells, Paris
• Carlos Villacorta Salís* – BCV LEX, Madrid
• Dan Soffin – Kennedys, London

10:30 – 10:50
REFRESHMENT BREAK

10:50 – 12:00
JURISDICTION AND FORUM NON CONVENIENS
• The Five (Seven) Jurisdictions under the Montreal Convention of 1999
• Does the claimant have the exclusive right to choose among the venues specified in the Warsaw and Montreal Conventions in which to bring his suit?
• Should domestic courts hear claims for aviation accidents arising in foreign jurisdictions? A look at the:
  West Caribbean Airways case
  Flash Airlines case
  China Eastern Airlines case
  Gol case
  Helios case
  DHL Honeywell/Uberlingen
  Spanair & Air France 447
• What happens when courts refuse to accept a case dismissed in another country on forum non conveniens grounds?
• What has been the impact of the “blocking statutes” promulgated by certain Latin American States?

CHAIR:
• Patricia Barlow – Barlow Law, San Francisco
SPEAKERS:
• Christopher Knight – Fowler White Burnett, Miami
• Alan Mendelsohn – Attorney at Law, Washington, DC
• Peter Neenan – Stewarts Law, London

12:00 – 13:30
LUNCHE KEYNOTE ADDRESS:
David Shapiro – Senior Vice President and Chief Legal Officer, Air Canada, Montreal, Canada
13:30 – 15:00
FLYING OVER CONFLICT ZONES: THE LEGACY OF MALAYSIAN AIRLINES FLIGHT 17

- Who are the potential defendants—the airlines, aircraft manufacturers, air navigation service providers, or the State?
- What are the potential liability risks to ICAO, IATA, airlines and governments of participating in or providing a clearinghouse of threat information?
- What issues arise when some airlines avoid flight paths into conflict zones, and others do not?
- What are the insurance implications of AVN 67B and C?

CHAIR:
Alejandro Jose Piera Valeds – Guanes Heisecke & Piera, Asunción

SPEAKERS:
- Chris Dalton – ICAO, Montreal
- Carole Gates – IATA, Montreal
- Arsen Herasymiv – Ilyashev & Partners Law Firm, Kiev
- Katherine B. Posner – Condon & Forsyth, New York
- J. Denny Shupe, Schnader Harrison Segal & Lewis, Philadelphia

- How does one handle exclusions or “carve-outs” in day-to-day business?
- How does an industry that depends on cooperation amongst competitors stay on the right side of the law?
- What are examples of criminal and regulatory investigations (alleged cargo and passenger surcharge collusion, predatory pricing, etc.)? How do airlines and their executives avoid potential personal risk of violating antitrust laws worldwide (or, staying out of jail)?

CHAIR:
Katherine Kay – Stikeman Elliott, Toronto

SPEAKERS:
- Stephen Lachter – Cozen O’Connor, Washington, DC
- Solange Leandro – Ince & Co., London
- Anita Mosner – Holland & Knight, Washington, DC
- Mark Rosman – Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati, Washington, DC

18:00 – 20:00
COCKTAIL RECEPTION AT THE HOTEL BONAVENTURE MONTREAL
SATURDAY, APRIL 18

8:30 – 9:30
WHAT CONSTITUTES AN “ACCIDENT” UNDER ARTICLE 17 OF WARSAW/MONTREAL: A LOOK AT UNRULY PASSENGERS AND LIABILITY FOR ACTS OF UNLAWFUL INTERFERENCE

• Should the carrier be liable for the “assault of one passenger on another”?
• Should liability be bound under the Warsaw/Montreal regimes when the “accident” was due to an event or occurrence not caused by airline personnel or unrelated to aviation operations?
• Review of recent court decisions that have circumscribed the liability shield provided by the Tokyo Convention.
• What impact will the Montreal Protocol of 2014, amending the Tokyo Convention, have on liability?
• What is the liability of air marshals, crew or passengers who subdue an unruly passenger?

CHAIR:
• Tim Trembley – Paterson McDougall, Toronto

SPEAKERS:
• Michael Jennison – US Federal Aviation Administration, Washington, DC
• Norberto Luongo – Argentina Delegation to ICAO Council, Montreal
• Judy Nemsick – Holland & Knight, New York
• Tory Weigand – Morrison Mahoney, Boston

9:30 – 10:30
CONSUMER RIGHTS: REGULATION & LITIGATION

• Should ICAO or IATA strive to harmonize conflicting consumer protection laws?

CHAIR:
• Martine De Serres – Air Canada, Montreal

SPEAKERS:
• Stephan Eriksson – Liman & Partners, Stockholm
• Jorge Gongora – Gongora Reina & Associates, Bogotá
• Auguste Hocking – IATA, Geneva
• Rodrigo Soto-Morales – Universidad Panamericana, Mexico City
• Blane Workie – US Department of Transportation, Washington, DC

10:30 – 10:50
REFRESHMENT BREAK

10:50 – 12:00
PROTECTION OF SAFETY INFORMATION

• What are the costs to candor of access to incident and accident reports by litigators?
• What mechanisms exist to protect the confidentiality and identity of reporters of accident incidents?

CHAIR:
• Kenneth Quinn – Pillsbury, Washington, DC

SPEAKERS:
• Jonathan Aleck* – Australian Civil Aviation Safety Authority, Canberra
• John Illson – ICAO, Montreal
• Allison Kendrick* – The Boeing Company, Seattle
• Delphine Micheaux Naudet* – European Commission -DG Move, Brussels
• David Tochen* – National Transportation Safety Board, Washington, DC
12:00 – 13:15

LUNCH

KEYNOTE ADDRESS:
Richard Dalbello* – VP Business Development and Government Affairs, Virgin Galactic

13:15 – 14:15

IT'S NOT JUST PEANUTS ANYMORE: CARRIER LIABILITY FOR CONTAGIOUS DISEASE AND ALLERGIC REACTIONS

- What potential liability exposure do airlines face for the spread of SARS, Ebola and similar diseases?
- What are the potential perils of poor cabin air quality?
- What potential liability exposure do airlines face for allergies to such items as nuts, fish, or comfort/service animals?

CHAIR:
Mark Glynn – Fernandes Hearn, Toronto

SPEAKERS:
Louise-Hélène Sénécal – Air Canada, Montreal
W. Sean Taylor – Harper Grey, Vancouver
Ludwig Weber – ICAO, Montreal

14:15 – 15:20

LIABILITY FOR AEROSPACE TRANSPORTATION

- What are the liability implications for suborbital space travel?
- Is “informed consent” a valid defence to liability?
- Does ICAO have jurisdiction to address suborbital flight, and should it?
- Do aerospace vehicles face the same destiny as the Concorde aircraft, and the Zeppelin airships – going from being perceived as one of the safest to one of the most dangerous?

CHAIR:
Ram Jakhu – McGill University, Montreal

SPEAKERS:
Michael Chatzianagnostis – Attorney at Law, Athens
Pamela Meredith – Zuckert, Scoult & Rasenberger, Washington, DC
Laura Montgomery – Federal Aviation Administration, Washington, DC

15:20 – 15:40

REFRESHMENT BREAK

15:40 – 16:50

THE COMPLEXITY OF INTERNATIONAL AVIATION LITIGATION AGAINST MULTIPLE TORTFEASORS: DO WE NEED A SINGLE FORUM?

- How efficient is the complex network of parallel and recourse actions filled among airlines, manufacturers and air traffic control providers in the aftermath of major accidents?
- Are the existing procedural rules aiming at the consistency of decisions and simplification of proceedings stemming from a single accident satisfactory (consolidation, joinder, staying of proceedings, etc.)?
- Does the Montreal Convention 1999 fuel the duration, cost and complexity of recourse actions?
- How do accident investigations contribute to the proliferation of recourse actions?
- Do we need an all-inclusive convention that will allow the resolution of recourse actions by the means of a single decision?
- Is it time to revive the idea of creating an International Aviation Court to deal with all claims following major accidents?
CHAIR:
- George Leloudas – Swansea University, Swansea

SPEAKERS:
- Brian J. Alexander – Kreindler & Kreindler, New York
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- Stéphanie Rostren – Airbus Helicopters Group, Marseilles
- Thomas Whalen – Schott Johnson, Washington, DC

16:50 – 17:00
CONCLUDING REMARKS
Paul Stephen Dempsey –
Director, McGill University Institute of Air & Space Law, Montreal

19:00
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