

Interlocutory Commercial Injunctions - The Laws, Procedures and Pitfalls

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Interlocutory commercial injunction is a very common application to be encountered by a solicitor at various stages of litigation, spanning from pre-commencement, interlocutory up to enforcement. Quite often the success or failure in obtaining an injunction will determine whether an intended action is worthwhile to pursue, and may even dispose the entire action.

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As pointed out by Lord Hoffman, “[t]he purpose of... an injunction is to improve the chances of the court being able to do justice after the determination of the merits at trial. At the interlocutory stage, the court must therefore assess whether granting or withholding an injunction is more likely to produce a just result.” (*National Commercial Bank Jamaica Ltd. v Olint Corporation Ltd. (Jamaica)* [2009] UKPC 16) But what are the guidelines in governing such an assessment?

This course is intended to provide a concise and yet comprehensive coverage of the laws and procedures in this area, supplement with some practical guidelines against the pitfalls in practice.

At the end of the course, participants should be able to:

- Understand the principles governing the granting of interlocutory commercial injunctions;
- Understand some common types of interlocutory injunctions;
- Grasp the grounds in setting aside/varying an injunction and the recourse against a wrongly granted injunction;
- Appreciate the lessons learnt from selected case studies; and
- Assess the likely issues in an application for granting/setting aside an injunction.

This course will cover the followings:

- What are interlocutory commercial injunctions?
- The laws:
 1. *American Cyanamid Principles*
 2. *Compania Sud Americana De Vapores S.A v Hin-Pro International Logistics Ltd.* (2016) 19 HKCFAR 586
 3. Injunctions affecting third parties
- Procedures
- Common types of injunctions:
 1. Mareva injunctions
 2. Anti-suit injunctions
 3. Injunctions to prohibit wrongdoings
 4. Anton Piller orders
 5. Norwich Pharmacal orders
 6. Quia Timet injunctions
 7. Chabra injunctions
- Grounds for setting aside/varying an injunction
- Recourse against a wrongly granted injunction
- Costs
- Pitfalls
- Case studies

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