

# HANDBOOK FOR PAM CONTRACT 2006

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Contract disputes often arise as a result of a combination of disputable ambiguity in the contract documents, lack of understanding of terms and conditions during administration of contracts as well as a less than careful preparation or alteration of documents. For architects and contracts managers, administering a contract by relying on past experience and less than thorough understanding of the clauses is no longer sufficient. There are issues like statutory position, legal precedence, appropriateness of context and procedural protocols, not to mention evolving statutory provisions to contend with.

In Malaysia, although the PAM Forms are the de facto private industry standard forms of contract, most users also use or are exposed to other forms of contract. Feedback collected during the workshops to introduce the PAM 2006 Forms to the industry indicated that there was a great need to highlight the differences between these forms, and given the diverse nature of the information sources, there are areas of confusion among users that needed clarification, especially with regards to applying that knowledge when using PAM 2006 forms.

This *Handbook for PAM Contract 2006* was written by the authors of PAM 2006 suite of contracts to address these needs. PAM President Ar. Boon Chee Wee in his Foreword to the Handbook said: "Drawing on their combined expertise gained in pursuit of their careers as active practitioners, the authors of PAM 2006 explain all clauses succinctly and when necessary, with reference to relevant case law decisions, illustrate the legal principles that have been used to shape PAM 2006. Written in a style that has come to characterize their collaborative authorship, the narrative, including the cases cited and their interpretations are readily understood, and regardless of the complexity of the subject matter, the writing remains clear and easy to follow."

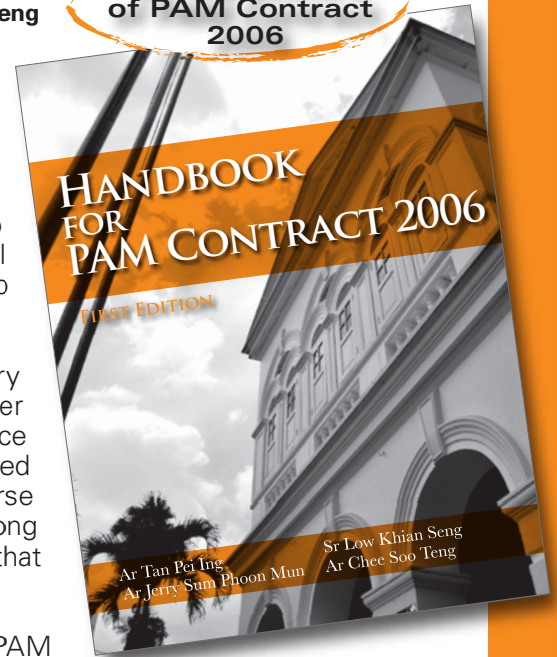
Eminent lawyer YM Raja Aziz Addruse also continued in his foreword that: 'The PAM Handbook, with its pithy commentary, elaborates on the provisions of the PAM 2006 Form of Contract in a simple way.'

This handbook is targeted at all members of the construction industry who may need to keep their contractual knowledge and understanding up to date as well as to find useful pointers directly related to the PAM 2006 Forms. It will also be a source of reference not just on PAM 2006, but also contractual issues in general.

The Handbook is also supplemented with sample easy-to-use proformas for certificates, instructions, notices etc. that are required to be issued in the administration of PAM 2006, as well as samples of collateral warranties, Nominated Suppliers' agreement and adjudication rules. The authors have also included a colour Annexure to the Handbook identifying the text changes in the revision of PAM 1998 so that practitioners can easily track the changes.

PAM 2006 and this accompanying Handbook was written by the authors "pro bono"; whilst the authors have retained copyright to this Handbook, all proceeds from this edition will be received by PAM for the continued development of PAM Form.

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