

## **SVAMC Announces New Board Members**

**PALO ALTO, Calif. – November 16, 2020** – The Board of Directors of the <u>Silicon Valley Arbitration &</u> <u>Mediation Center (SVAMC)</u> announced today the appointments of six new SVAMC Directors.

The group of leading arbitration and mediation practitioners includes Bill Baker, an independent arbitrator and mediator in New York City. Chiann Bao, Member Arbitration Chambers in Hong Kong and the former Secretary-General of the Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre (HKIAC). Alex Blumrosen, Partner, Polaris Law in Paris. Duarte Henriques, Founding Member of Victoria Associates in Lisbon. Claire Morel de Westgaver, Partner, Bryan Cave Leighton Paisner in London and Uche Onwuamaegbu, a consulting attorney at Arent Fox in Washington DC.

"It's a privilege for SVAMC to announce these appointments and we are looking forward to working with this group to advance efficient technology dispute resolution, including arbitration and mediation worldwide," said Chairman of the Board, Gary Benton. Further, stated Les Schiefelbein, SVAMC CEO, "Each new Board Member is a recognized practitioner in the international arbitration and mediation community. Our goal is to continue to grow SVAMC activities and initiatives across the globe."

SVAMC promotes efficient and effective technology dispute resolution, including the use of arbitration and mediation to resolve technology-related business disputes. Each year SVAMC releases the highly anticipated <u>List of the World's Leading Technology Neutrals</u> (the "Tech List"). Now in its sixth year of operation, SVAMC has become the leading U.S. and global resource for the use of arbitration and mediation in the technology industry.

## About Silicon Valley Arbitration & Mediation Center:

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. Visit www.svamc.org for additional information or contact us at info@svamc.org.