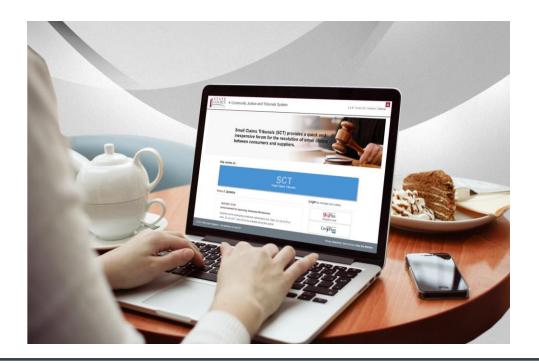


Restoring Community Relations in a Digital Age – the Community Justice & Tribunals System (CJTS)

Principal District Judge Bala Reddy
Community Justice & Tribunals Division
State Courts, Singapore





Community Justice & Tribunals System

Online Filing and Case Management System with
Online Dispute Resolution (ODR) Function



CJTS Launch Posters



Online case filing and management system for Tribunals under CJTD

Launch of online filing for Small Claims from 10 July 2017



E-Filing

Parties can file a claim, file applications



E-Negotiation



E-Payment



E-Notification

Parties will receive



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FILE ONLINE



- ✓ NEIGHBOUR DISPUTES
- ✓ SMALL CLAIMS





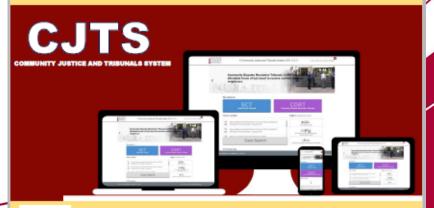




eAssessment eNegotiation

eMediation.

Case Search





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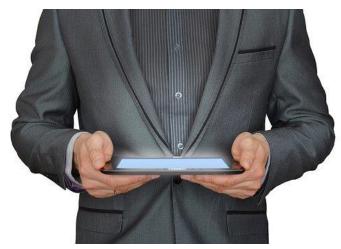


SCT and CDRT





(and very soon, ECT!)





CJTS Features





Automated Process



- There are automated processes to assist litigants in filing and uploading documents:
 - Drop down list of types of disputes
 - Auto-population of information from the court user's log-on profile
 - Auto-population of Pre-filing Checklist information in the Claim Form
 - Validation checks



eAssessment



- Validate that the claim is within the Tribunal's jurisdiction before proceeding to file a claim.
- Reduce number of claims which are outside the Tribunal's jurisdiction, saving time and resources for all.
- Prompts the party to consider issues carefully and seek independent legal advice.
- Draws the party's attention to potential issues but does not stop the party from proceeding to file the claim.



Pre-filing Questions

Are you an undischarge d bankrupt?

Is there a mediation clause in your agreement?

Has the credit term or delivery date passed?

Have you paid the stamp duty on the agreement?

Did the dispute occur more than a year ago?

Is the Respondent residing in Singapore?

Do you have the Respondent's address for service?

Do you have a memorandum of consent to claim > \$10,000?



Pre-Filing Checklist (CDRT)

PRE-FILING ASSESSMENT

General Information and Instructions:

- 1. The Pre-Filing Assessment form poses questions to assist you when filing a Claim. It must be completed before filing a Claim.
- 2. The form helps you to identify documents that may be needed to file a Claim.
- 3. The form may take you about 10 minutes to complete.
- 4. After completing the assessment, please proceed to file your Claim or save the pre-filing ID to file your Claim within the next 7 days.
- 5. All drafts saved in your account will be deleted after 7 days.
- 6. (*) denotes mandatory fields to be completed. All data in mandatory fields will be transferred onto your Claim form.
- 7. You can click on (i) for more information on the field.
- 8. Please refer to the CJTS step-by-step Guide for more information to proceed with the pre-filing assessment form.

Nature of Claim* (i)	
NEIGHBOUR DISPUTES	
Excessive Noise	
Excessive Smell	
Excessive Smoke	
Excessive Light	
Excessive Vibration	
Littering at or in the vicinity of Plaintiff's residence	
Obstructing Plaintiff's place of residence	
☐ Interfering with Plaintiff's movable property	
Conducting surveillance on Plaintiff's place of residence	
Trespassing on Plaintiff's place of residence	



Pre-Filing Checklist (CDRT)

15. Are you able to support your Claim that the respondent has committed the alleged YES unreasonable interference on or after 1 October 2015 with evidence such as photographs, video recordings, CCTV recordings, audio recordings and letters from the relevant government agency? 16. Have you commenced civil proceedings on this same matter in any other court? YES Section 18 of the Community Disputes Resolution Act 2015 states that no action for a Claim may be brought before the Tribunal if civil proceedings relating to that Claim are pending in or have been heard and determined by any other court. 17. Are you an undischarged bankrupt? YES Before bringing a Claim against the respondent, you are required to obtain the sanction of the Official Assignee under Section 131(1)(a) of the Bankruptcy Act.

Form Completion Status (100%)

Cancel

Submit



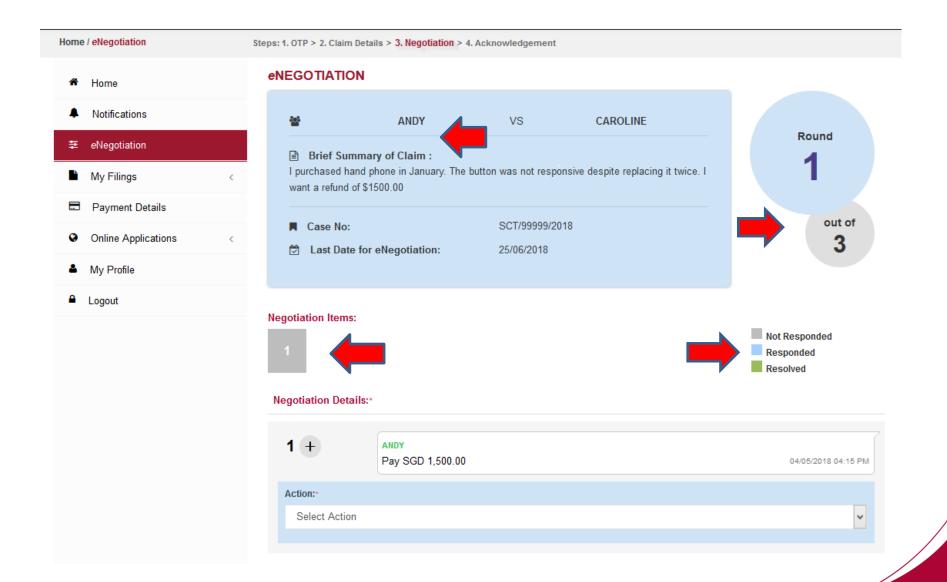
eNegotiate



- Parties can negotiate an amicable settlement with each other without attending court.
- E-negotiation system sends, receives and stores communications between parties.
- Prompts parties to consider a winwin solution.
- Parties can apply for consent order online.



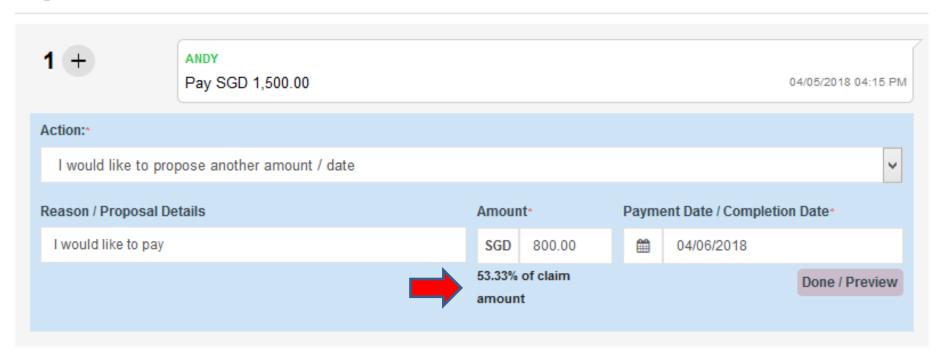
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eNegotiation

Negotiation Details:*



eNegotiation – Agreement

TERMS OF AGREEMENT

By CONSENT, parties have agreed to the following terms in full and final settlement of the claim:

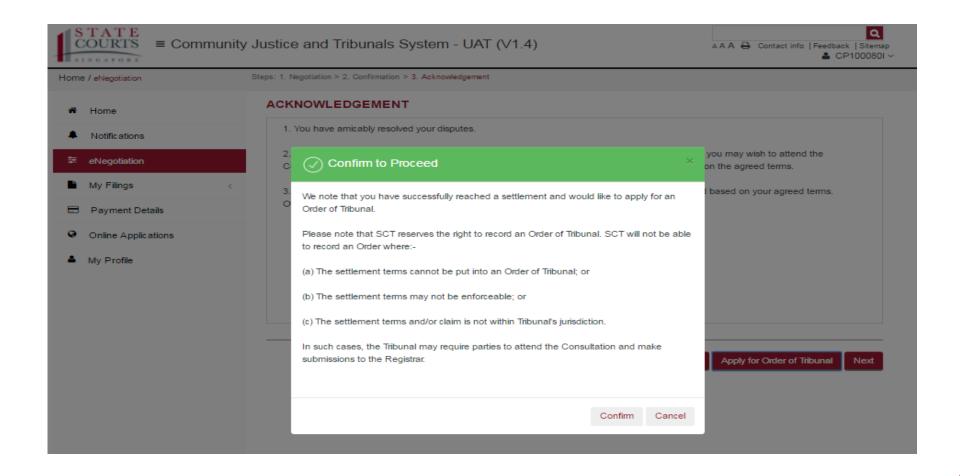
1. Respondent to pay Claimant SGD 5750.00 by 06 Apr 2018.

This agreement may be enforced by recording it as an Order of Tribunal. After recording it as an Order of Tribunal, parties may enforce the Order of Tribunal as a Magistrate Court Order.

If parties choose not to record the agreement as an Order of Tribunal, parties may withdraw the claim. In the event of non-compliance, parties may enforce the agreement by starting proceedings in the Civil Courts.



Online consent order





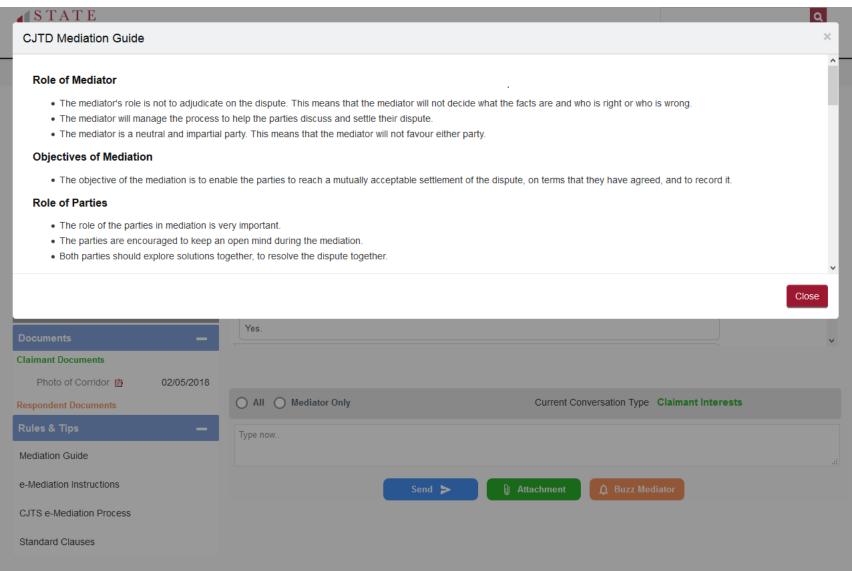
eMediate



- Conducted within a chatroom
- Customised mediator tools to assist the mediator
- Based on the Singapore Mediation Centre mediation process
- Option to communicate with mediator privately
- Parties can apply for consent order online



eMediation - Mediation Guide





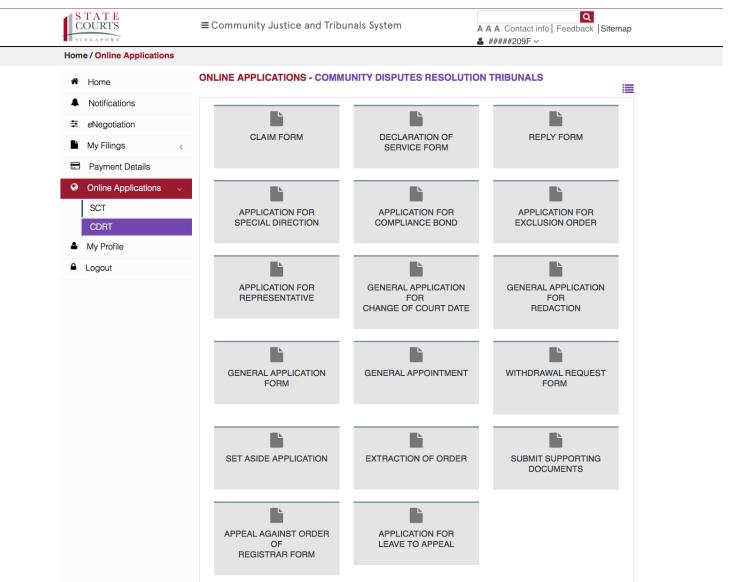
Online Applications



- Parties e-serve documents through CJTS
- Applications (e.g. Amendment, Change of Dates, Submission for Hearing, Setting Aside, Leave to Appeal) are submitted online
- Eliminates the need to attend court to submit applications by hand
- Processing of applications and response can be sent to parties through CJTS



Example of CJTS Applications





Secured Platform



- System authenticates parties' identity through secured login process
- Individuals login using SingPass (for individuals), CorpPass (for business entities) which are issued by the Government





• Use CJTS Pass (for those not eligible for SingPass or CorpPass, e.g. tourists)



Thank You!

