

# 2026 Annual Retreat



Join other Ciarb members in beautiful Atlanta, GA. for an engaging program of networking and educational sessions. All Ciarb members are welcome regardless of their Branch.

## Agenda

### Arbitration in Motion: Ethics, AI, and the Corporate Playbook

Thursday, 28 May

**Atlanta offices, 600 Peachtree Street, N.E., Suite 3000**

**6:00 – 7:30** Welcome reception sponsored by Troutman Pepper  
Open to Ciarb NAB retreatants and ATIAS members

Friday, 29 May

**Womble Bond Dickinson – Atlanta Offices**

1331 Spring St. NW, Suite 1400

**8:30 – 9:30** Networking breakfast – Sponsored by JAMS

- 9:30 – 9:45** Welcome & opening remarks by Cecilia Flores Rueda, NAB Chair
- 9:45 – 10:45** **Panel 1 – The Evolving Arbitration Landscape (2026 Outlook)**  
A high-level tour of what’s changing in arbitration today, from efficiency tools and streamlined procedures to shifting enforcement dynamics and rising expectations around cost, speed, and case management.
- Moderator:** Ann Ryan Robertson, ARR Arbitration  
**Panelist:** David Harrell, Troutman Pepper Locke  
**Panelist:** Carl Ginsberg, Ginsberg ADR  
**Panelist:** Joyce Klemmer, JAMS
- 10:45 – 11:00** Break
- 11:00 – 12:00** **Panel 2 – The In-House Counsel View: What Companies Want Now**  
In-house counsel share what drives confidence in arbitration: predictability, budget discipline, clear reporting, enforceability, and outcomes aligned with business priorities, plus what external counsel and tribunals can do better.
- Moderator:** Andrew B. Flake, The Flake Law Firm  
**Panelists:** TBD
- 12:00 – 12:30** Lunch service
- 12:30 – 13:15** **Keynote address** “Arbitration in Motion: Leading the Profession Through Ethics, Innovation, and Corporate Expectations” by Cesar Pereira, Justen, Pereira, Olivera & Talamini, Global Ciarb Chair.
- 13:15 – 13:30** Q&A with Cesar Pereira
- 13:30 – 13:45** Break
- 13:45 – 14:45** **Panel 3 – Ethics in the Age of AI: Independence, Disclosure, and New Frontiers**  
A practical discussion of the ethical pressure points confronting tribunals and counsel, from traditional concerns around conflicts and repeat appointments to emerging questions about AI disclosure, evidentiary authenticity, and due process when technology enters the hearing room.

**Moderator:** Victoria Alvarez, Troutman Pepper Locke

**Panelist:** Linda Beyea, VP Innovation, AAA-ICDR

**Panelist:** Shelby Grubbs, AtlAs

**Panelist:** Glenn Hendrix, Hendrix Dispute Resolution

**Panelist:** Lisa Powell, Fisher Broyles

**14:45 – 15:00** Closing remarks

**15:00 – 16:30** Cocktail reception

**17:00** Networking dinner at South City, 1144 Crescent Ave NE

## Saturday, 30 May

**8:30 – 10:00** Breakfast – Strengthening CIArb Training Programs:  
A Strategic Dialogue conducted by John Pinney

**10:00 – 12:30** Outing to the National Center for Civil and Human Rights  
Downtown Atlanta | Tickets: \$20/person | Typical visit: 90  
minutes – 2 hours

**Afternoon** Free time/explore Atlanta

## Accommodation

While hotel accommodations are on your own, we suggest staying at the **Kimpton Shane Hotel by IHG**, which is located next to the venue and is available at a preferential rate of US\$185 per night.

Please use this link [Ciarb Retreat](#) or call 866-660-6699.

## Cost

Ciarb members discounted Early Bird Registration through April 30: **US 495**

Ciarb members after April 30, 2024: **US 595**

Ciarb friends and colleagues discounted Early Bird Registration through April 30: **US 595**

Ciarb friends and colleagues after April 30, 2024: **US 695**

Saturday dinner: **US 150**

Outing to the National Center for Civil and Human Rights **US 50**

## Registration

Please register early to ensure space is available for you.

Please book your place [here](#)  
or scan the QR code

