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Practicing as independent accredited arbitrator, mediator and dispute management consultant, I resolve disputes, and advise businesses on the risks of disputes, in English and German, drawing on my common and civil law qualifications and my extensive dispute resolution and management experience working in private practice as well as with and for businesses, governments, and international organisations.

Education

- Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (UK) (mediation). 2020
- Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (AUS) (arbitration). 2003
- Bar Association of Queensland (AUS) (adm. Barrister). 2001
- The University of Queensland (AUS) (postgraduate arbitration degree). 2001 - 2002
- The University of Queensland (AUS) (law degree). 1998 - 2000
- University of Konstanz (GER) (law degree). 1997
- Chamber of Commerce (GER) (Bankers' Certificate). 1997

Professional experience

- Independent Mediator, Arbitrator and Consultant (NL and GER). 2020 - now
- Principal Lawyer / Attaché, Hague Conference on Private International Law (HCCH) (NL). 2014 - 2020
- Executive Lawyer, Private International Law / Arbitration Unit, Australian Attorney-General's Department (AUS). 2010 - 2014
- Senior / Executive Lawyer, National Alternative Dispute Resolution Advisory Council (NADRAC) (AUS). 2008 - 2010
- Counsel, Australian Government Solicitors (AUS). 2007 - 2008
- Lawyer, Australian Federal Parliament (AUS). 2004 - 2007
- Counsel, Queensland Crown Law (AUS). 2001 - 2004
- In-house counsel, Volksbank Köln-Bonn eG (GER). 1997 - 1998

Expertise / specialisations

- International commercial, corporate, construction, shipping, sports, employment disputes.
- Travel and tourism disputes.
- Art, restitution, art sponsoring disputes.
- Disputes involving international organisations and their staff / consultants / contractors.
- Business-Human Rights disputes.
- Investor-State disputes.
- State-State disputes.

Specialised training in online mediation and arbitration. Member of the ICODR.



Accreditations / Memberships in the field of ADR

Accreditations

- Accredited Mediator, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (UK).
- Accredited Mediator, Arbitrator and Negotiator, ADR International Register (NL).

Panels (Mediator | Arbitrator)

- German Arbitration Institute (DIS) (GER).
- Vienna International Arbitral Centre (VIAC) (AUT).
- Swiss Arbitration Association (ASA) (CH).
- Belgian Centre for Arbitration and Mediation (CEPANI) (BEL).
- Court of Arbitration for Art (CAfA) (NL).
- ADR Group (UK).
- Câmara de Arbitragem e Mediação de Santa Catarina (CAMESC) (BRZ).
- International Arbitration Center - Chamber of Belgium and Luxembourg (CIABLP) (PER / LUX).
- Geneva International Dispute Resolution Centre (GIDI) (CH).
- The BnR International Commercial Mediation Center (BRICMC) (PRC).

Memberships

- The International Forum of Travel and Tourism Advocates (IFTTA) (UK).
- Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CIArb) (UK).
- Dutch Mediator Association (NMv) (NL).
- Royal Netherlands Society of International Law (International Law Association, ILA) (NL).
- International Council for Online Dispute Resolution (ICODR) (US).

Relevant experience

- Investment Arbitration between a State and a multinational corporation concerning legislated health measures. Claim: >100 million AUD.
- Arbitration between two corporations concerning the purchase of bio food items. Claim: €50.000.
- Arbitration between an international organisation and a staff member concerning an alleged unfair dismissal. Claim: > €100.000.
- Arbitration between two corporations concerning a commercial transaction. Claim: >€50 million.
- Arbitration (Appeal) between an international organisation and a staff member concerning an alleged unfair dismissal. Claim: > €50.000.
- Mediation between a State and a private person concerning a personal injury sustained in a fall in a school ground. Claim: 300.000 AUD.
- Mediation between a private person and a government-owned corporation concerning a personal injury sustained for an accident in a museum. Claim: 250.000 AUD.
- Mediation between a government-owned corporation and a private person concerning several alleged failed commercial transactions. Claim: 550.000 AUD.
- Mediation between a State and a private person concerning injuries sustained while in detention. Claim: 200.000 AUD.
- Negotiation between two corporations to avoid a dispute concerning certain telecommunication equipment. Claim (potential): > €100 million USD.

Languages

- German (native).
- English (native competency).

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