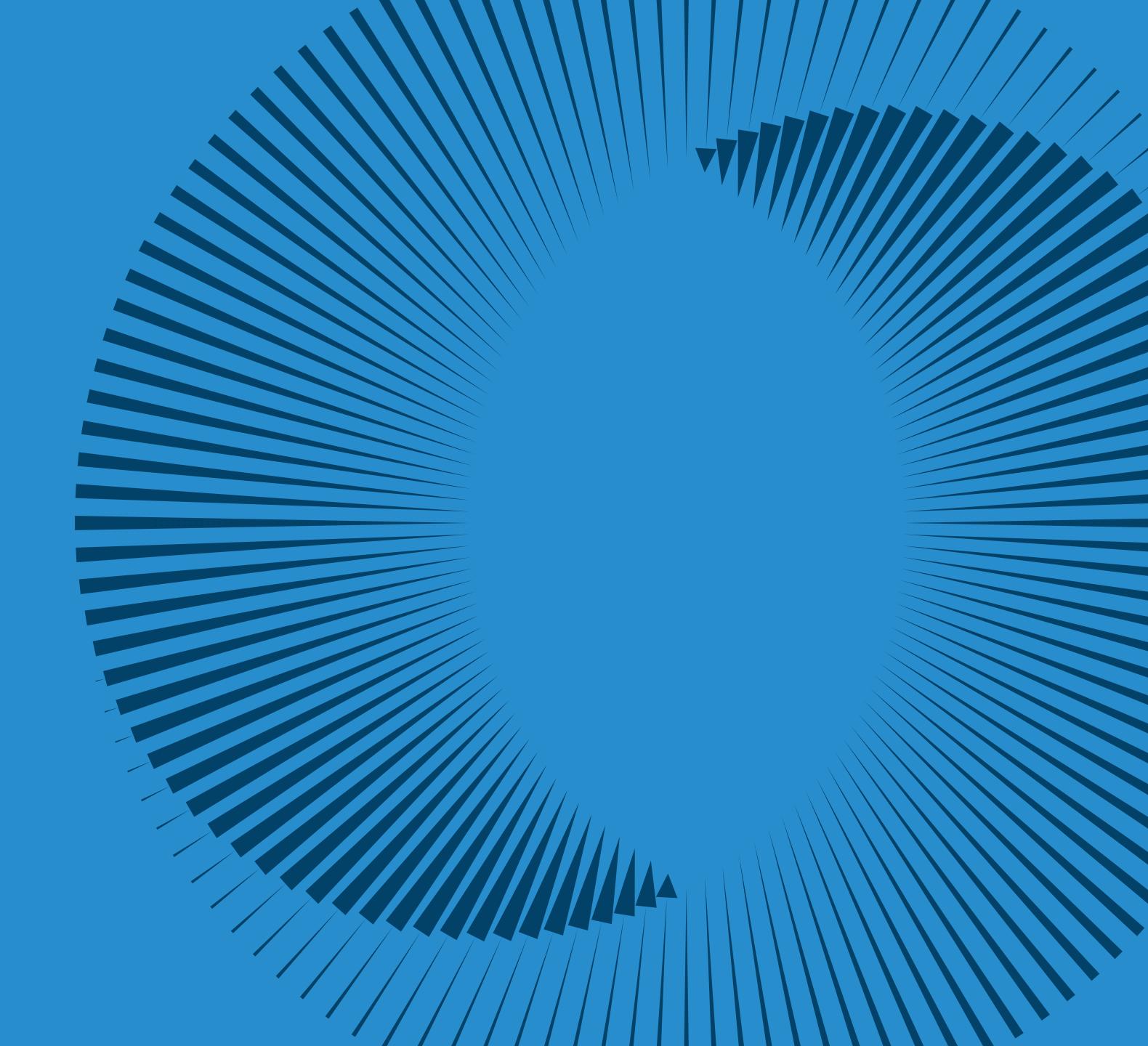
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# International Arbitration



## Introduction

International arbitration is an attractive option for resolving disputes efficiently, effectively and confidentially.

With offices in many of the world's major arbitration centres, including London, Paris, Geneva, Dubai, Hong Kong and Singapore, we are ideally placed to work with you both to prevent and to resolve disputes as they arise, whatever the law, language, rules industry sector or/subject matter of that dispute may be. Our dedicated multicultural and multilingual specialists conduct arbitrations under both civil and common law systems and, in many different languages, and regularly act in arbitration-related domestic court proceedings.

Whether you are a state, a state-owned entity, a sovereign wealth fund, a corporate, a sports federation or authority, private business or individual, our strategically focused specialists will work alongside you through every aspect of any arbitration. From drafting complex arbitration clauses, through advising and representing you in any

disputes that may arise, to helping locate assets and to enforce arbitral awards, we will work tirelessly to secure the very best possible outcome.

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## International Commercial Arbitration

In an increasingly complex world, we are entrusted by our clients with their most important commercial disputes across a range of industry sectors.

As your trusted advisor, we will guide you throughout the arbitration process, from the drafting of the arbitration clause, through any arbitration proceedings (including the advocacy), to post-award proceedings. Our team includes sitting arbitrators, offering a unique perspective from the tribunal's viewpoint, and has experience of all the leading arbitration institutions and their rules.

Our clients are at the very heart of what we do, and we use our deep experience and understanding of the life cycle of the arbitration process to provide a partner-led, innovative, and cost-effective service that meets your objectives.

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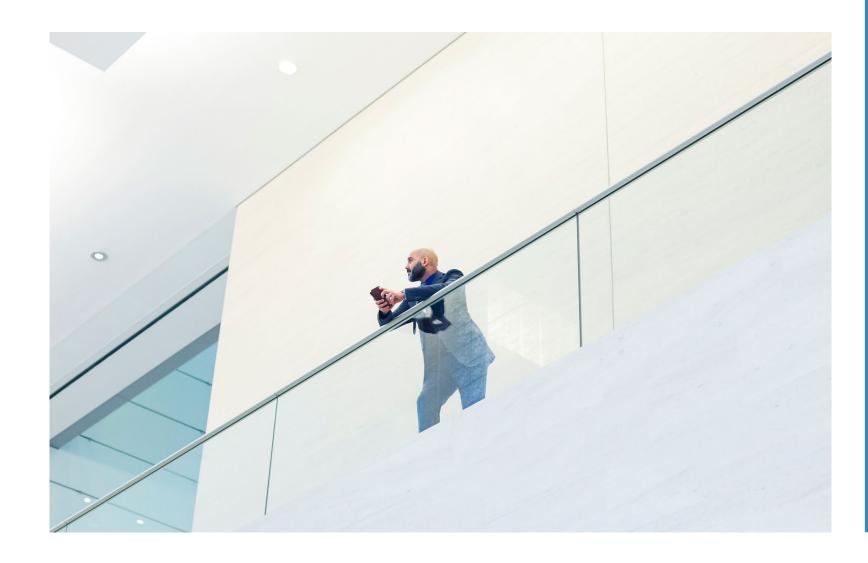
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# Investment Treaty Arbitration and Public International Law

Our team has a wealth of experience acting both for investors and for states in investment treaty arbitration matters, making us ideally placed to anticipate and advise on the course that any dispute may take and to tailor our case strategy accordingly.

We also have significant experience of inter-state disputes, including and of working with governments throughout the process. Our partner Thomas Snider formerly served as counsel to the Ethiopian Government for several years before the Eritrea-Ethiopia Claims Commission, an international arbitral tribunal tasked with adjudicating claims arising form violations of international public law that occurred during an international armed conflict.

We also regularly advise investors on the protections that may be available to them in order to best protect their investments, and states looking to minimise or eliminate the possible effects of any measures or actions they may take.



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## **Construction Arbitration**

Our Construction team has expansive experience advising clients on international arbitration matters around the globe.

We are adept at being able to distinguish claims or problems which require resolution through dialogue and agreement, and those where dispute resolution is unavoidable. In all events, we combine our project management skills with our legal acumen to achieve a successful outcome for our clients.

Additionally, we regularly advise on dispute avoidance, adjudications, expert determination and other alternative types of dispute resolution.

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# **Sports Arbitration**

We act in all sport-related matters where the parties have agreed to arbitration to resolve their dispute.

We have deep and specialist knowledge of sport arbitration. Our experienced cross-office team includes partners Benoît Pasquier, who is also an arbitrator at the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) in Lausanne, Switzerland, appearing on two Lists of Arbitrators (General and Football), and Ed Craig.

Since 2019, Benoît has been appointed in more than 50 sports-related arbitration procedures (appeals proceedings and ordinary proceedings) as president of panels, sole arbitrator or co-arbitrator. In his role as a CAS arbitrator, Benoît has been a member and president of panels in high-profile cases, and has dealt with a myriad of sport-related matters, in particular in relation to disciplinary and doping, match-fixing, governance and regulatory, as well as commercial,

agency and employment disputes. Ed is highly experienced in international arbitration matters, and has successfully represented domestic and international sports governing bodies for over 25 years, including recent wins in complex and high value international sports arbitrations before CAS relating to anti-doping and commercial disputes.

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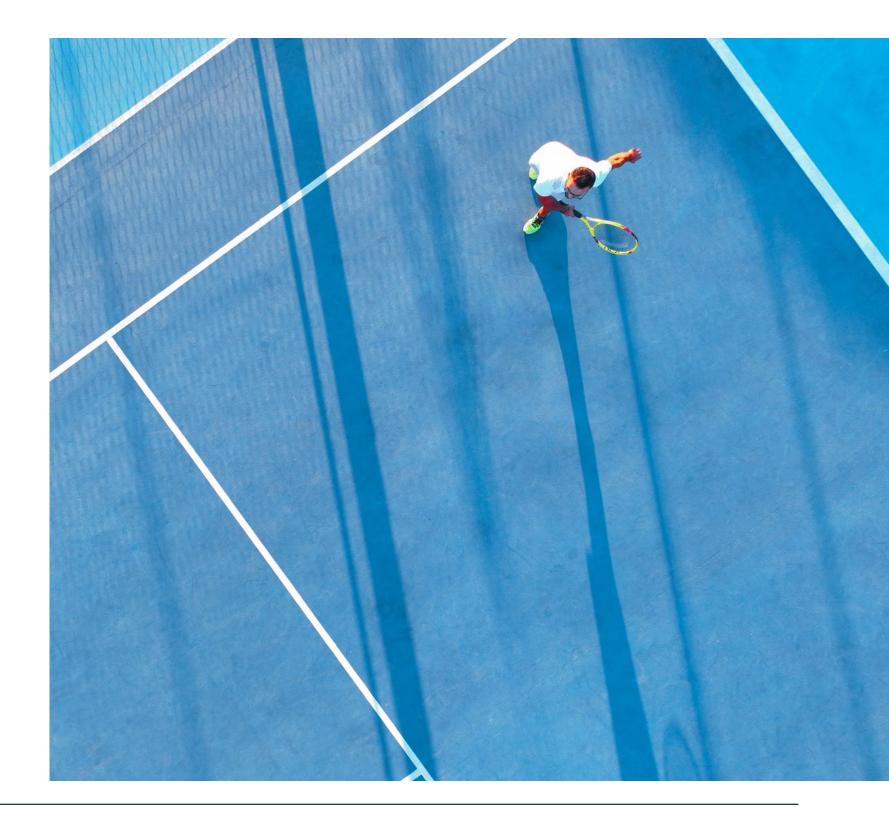
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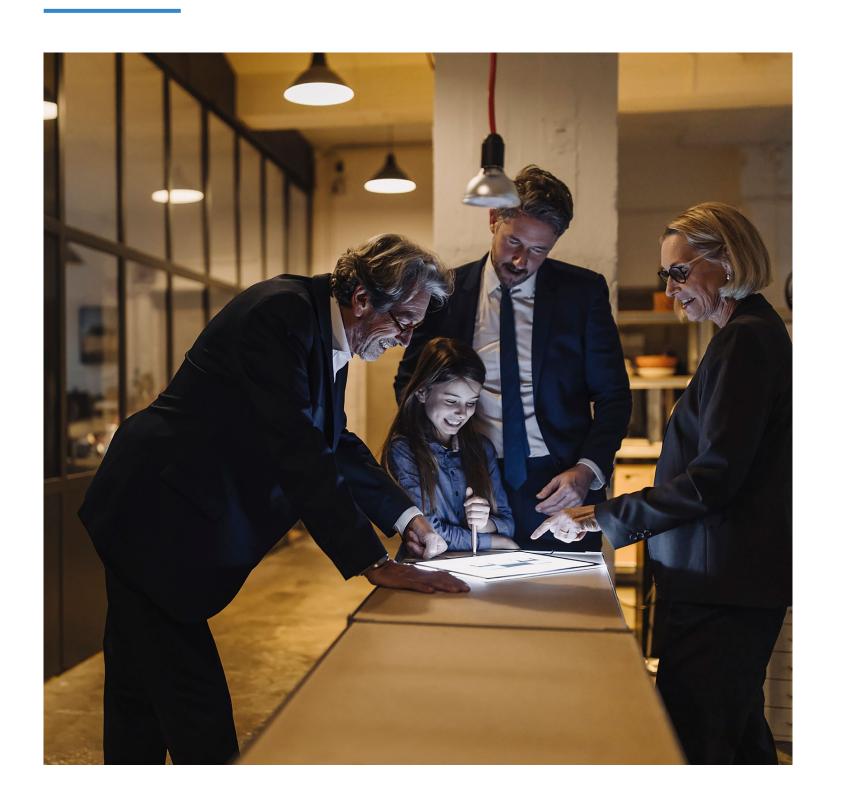
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# Family Arbitration



Arbitration can be used to resolve family disputes, both in respect of financial and children matters, whether from the outset or in parallel with traditional litigation.

Given the proceedings themselves are confidential, and can be both much more flexible (in terms of forum and structure) and faster than court-based litigation, it is gaining increased prominence and popularity.

Our team has extensive experience in arbitrating family disputes, with William Longrigg also being a trained arbitrator, and were involved in one of the leading cases on arbitration in family law, A v A (Arbitration Guidance) [2021] EWHC 1889, which established the procedure to be followed once an arbitral award has been made.

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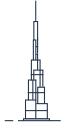
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## Bios



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Tom is experienced in international commercial arbitration, international investment disputes, state-to-state arbitration, and foreign sovereign immunity issues. His experience covers a wide range of industries, sectors, and types of disputes, including oil-and-gas, construction, hospitality, telecommunications, automobile manufacturing, distribution agreements, shareholder disputes, and joint-venture disputes.

Tom is recognised as a Global Elite Thought Leader in Who's Who Legal Arbitration (2023) and is ranked for dispute resolution in Chambers United Arab Emirates (2021), which notes that "Tom's knowledge and expertise is extremely impressive" and that "he has the ability to advise and write with an uncommon degree of precision and clarity."



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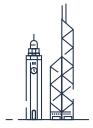
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Richard is a dispute resolution lawyer handling complex cross-border, high-value commercial disputes with a focus on international arbitration and investment treaty matters.

Richard has more than 20 years of experience of handling complex, high-value international disputes, involving parties and laws from multiple jurisdictions in the international arbitration and investment treaty arenas.

Richard has advised clients in a number of complex, high-value arbitrations and has considerable experience of the major institutional rules such as ICC, LCIA, DIFC-LCIA/DIAC and SIAC. Richard also has significant recent experience of investment treaty matters, including at the annulment stage.

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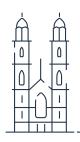
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Stephen has over 15 years' of experience commercial litigation and arbitration. His strong capabilities in international arbitration work arise from a broad range of commercial disputes across a range of sectors including private wealth, financial services and technology. He has experience in most of the world's leading arbitral seats (including London, Hong Kong and Singapore) as well as under the rules of key arbitral institutions (including HKIAC, SIAC, ICC and UNCITRAL rules). Stephen is a committee member of the Law Society of Hong Kong's Arbitration Committee.

Peter is a leading international arbitration lawyer having acted on some of the most significant and complex disputes across the Asia Pacific region. Peter has almost 20 years' experience advising clients with a focus on the energy, projects, construction, and financial services sectors. This includes a two-and-a-half year secondment with a global energy major where he managed disputes across the Asia Pacific and EMEA regions.

Peter regularly acts for clients in all the major seats of international arbitration, including ICC, SIAC, and UNCITRAL. This includes contentious disputes with up to billions of dollars at stake. He has expertise on disputes relating to energy transition, including decommissioning and renewables, and significant projects and infrastructure, including industrials and chemicals.

## Bios, continued...



Benoît Pasquier *Partner* Zurich



He specialises in commercial sports law (sponsorship, media rights and merchandising agreements), disciplinary & ethics proceedings, good governance and sports integrity issues (competition and match manipulation, age cheating and anti-doping).



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Patrick is Head of Charles Russell Speechlys LLP's Middle East practice. He is also Chair of the Firm's Global Markets Group, which co-ordinates the Firm's international activities. Patrick specialises in all areas of dispute resolution. He has conducted litigation and arbitration in Gibraltar, Hong Kong, Italy, France, Ukraine, the USA and in all the GCC states as well as in all the courts within the English jurisdiction. He is one of the lead partners acting in the administration of Awal Bank B.S.C. which has involved over 75 different litigation and arbitration cases in Bahrain, Saudi Arabia, Switzerland, the United Kingdom, the USA and the Cayman Islands.

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