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Peter Anagnostou is a senior construction disputes lawyer who acts for contractors, sub-contractors, developers, funders, consultants and advises a variety of clients in the construction industry.

Peter has considerable experience drafting contracts, amendments to contracts and advises on bond, guarantee, warranty and insurance documentation. Peter has particular experience in construction and engineering disputes acting in international and domestic arbitration, commercial litigation, adjudications and mediation relating to major projects, infrastructure and residential developments.

Peter is member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CI Arb) UAE Branch Committee, the Chair of the CI Arb Young Members Group (YMG), member of the CI Arb YMG Global Steering Committee, a Council Member of the Asia-Pacific Forum for International Arbitration (AFIA) and a member of the Young International Council for Commercial Arbitration (Young ICCA), ICC Young Arbitrators Forum (YAF) and the LCIA Young International Arbitration Group (YIAG).

EXPERIENCE

Peter's work in the Middle East has included:

- Acting for a global contractor in defence of a US\$336m claim relating to delay on a major UAE project (DIAC arbitration)
- Acting for a major Korean contractor in defence of a US\$50m claim in relation to the construction of a tank farm in Qatar (ICC arbitration)
- Acting for a major US contractor in defence of a US\$200m claim from a subcontractor for a major Qatar project in relation defect rectification, change orders and backcharges (ICC arbitration)
- Acting for a UAE developer for a US\$300m claim relating to one of Dubai's landmark Master Developments (DIAC arbitration)
- Acting for a GCC construction and engineering company for a US\$10m claim relating to defective design, delay, incomplete works, variations and defective works (ICC arbitration)

Peter's work in Australia has included:

- Acting for a global leader in gas turbine technology in an AU\$60m claim relating to incomplete works, misleading and deceptive

RELATED SERVICES

- Litigation, Arbitration and Investigations

RELATED SECTORS

- Real Estate

conduct, defective design, compliance with environmental standards and contractual notices (ACICA arbitration)

- Acting for a leading Australian provider of renewable electricity in a multi-million dollar dispute with a mechanical services provider relating to delay, incomplete works, defective design and manufacture and variations (NSW IAMA arbitration)
- Acting for the largest Australian construction company in an AUD300 million claim relating to the construction of a shopping mall and breach of contract, incomplete works, cross-border jurisdictional complications, liability for damages incurred by third parties and tenancy concession payments (NSW Supreme Court)
- Acting for a major global construction company in a multi-million dollar commercial litigation in the NSW Supreme Court concerning the construction of a water treatment plant and duty of care, defective design, misleading and deceptive conduct, assignment of a bare right of action, calculation of indirect costs and damages for corporate overheads
- Acting in various construction disputes in the District Court of NSW, NSW Supreme Court and NSW Court of Appeal

CREDENTIALS

Professional Qualifications

- Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New South Wales, 2009
- Barrister and Solicitor of the High Court of Australia, 2009

Education

- The College of Law, Sydney, NSW, Graduate Diploma of Legal Practice, 2009
- University of New South Wales, Sydney, NSW, LL.B, B.A. (Hons) in Political Science and History, 2008

Memberships

- Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CIArb)
- Society of Construction Law
- International Bar Association
- Law Society of New South Wales

INSIGHTS

Publications

Online Arbitration Hearings: A review of key developments in response to COVID-19

28 September 2020

In this second report, we focus on arbitration and look at how arbitral institutions have adapted in response to COVID-19. We draw out some of the key legal as well as practical challenges faced, and we offer some observations on what the future may look like.

UAE Court Judgments automatically enforceable in the Courts of India

21 January 2020

On 17 January 2020, the Indian Ministry of Law and Justice published a notification in the official gazette, which means that judgments rendered by both the onshore and offshore Courts of the UAE will be enforceable in the Courts of India without a re-examination of the merits.

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- Time for Change: Construction in the GCC reaches a tipping point, 14 Nov 2018
 - UAE Government Approves Draft Federal Arbitration Law, 15 Mar 2018
 - The new Arbitration Law in Qatar, 16 Mar 2017
 - Peter frequently writes for other publications such as: Thomson Reuters Practical Law, The Banker, Thomson Reuters Zawya.com and Big Project Middle East