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Henry Quinlan is a dispute resolution lawyer with particular experience in international arbitration.

Henry advises on a wide range of arbitrations under the auspices of the DIFC-LCIA, LCIA, ICC, AAA/ICDR, DIAC and other leading arbitral institutions, as well as ad hoc and UNCITRAL arbitrations. He has handled matters in a range of industry sectors including real estate, technology, private equity/funds, energy, construction, telecoms, media, insurance and banking. He is on the arbitrator database or panel of a number of international and regional arbitral institutions, including the ICC, LCIA, DIFC-LCIA, DIAC, CRCICA, ADCCAC and TRAC.

Henry accepts appointments as an arbitrator, and is presently sitting as arbitrator (sole and co-arbitrator) in a number of international arbitrations (including DIFC-LCIA and ICC). He has also handled a number of domestic and cross-border commercial disputes resolved by litigation, expert determination and mediation.

RELATED SERVICES

- Litigation, Arbitration and Investigations

EXPERIENCE

As Arbitrator:

- DIFC-LCIA (sole arbitrator): dispute concerning alleged breaches of DFSA Rules, fiduciary duties and DIFC law arising from the US\$ 200 million financing of a hotel project in the UAE
- ICC (co-arbitrator): c.US\$25 million dispute concerning the design and construction of a mixed-use development in the UAE
- Sitting as sole/co-arbitrator in c.10 other arbitrations (ICC, DIFC-LCIA, DIAC, ad hoc etc)

As Counsel:

- Representing a prominent Indian businessman in a \$600 million financial services / real estate dispute involving numerous parallel proceedings across the world, including an LCIA arbitration seated in Singapore
- Representing two prominent Indian businessmen in an LCIA (India) Rules arbitration in relation to claims totalling US \$1 billion, relating to several large-scale real estate projects in India. (Seat: New Delhi; Rules: LCIA (India))

- Acting for a UAE company in a c.US\$ 50 million post-acquisition/shareholder dispute with a Saudi company, in LCIA mediation and potential LCIA arbitration
- Acting as counsel in various proceedings in the DIFC, Dubai World Tribunal (including undertaking the advocacy in jurisdictional challenges)

CREDENTIALS

Professional Qualifications

- Solicitor of the Senior Courts of England and Wales

Education

- Queen Mary College, University of London, Diploma in International Arbitration
- Oxford University, BA (Hons), MA
- City University, Common Professional Examination in Law
- The Inns of Court School of Law, Bar Vocational Course

Memberships

- FCIARB
- Solicitor (with higher rights of audience) of the Senior Courts of England & Wales
- Member of ICC UAE Taskforce addressing Techniques for Arbitrators in Managing Fees & Expenses
- Fellow, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators
- Arbitrator, DIAC, CRCICA, DIFC-LCIA, ICC
- Society of Construction Law (Gulf)

INSIGHTS

Publications

ADGM Courts issue first arbitration-related judgements

3 March 2020

2019 saw the Abu Dhabi Global Market Court (ADGM Court) publish two arbitration-related judgments, the first published since its launch in December 2018. The first case related to the validity of an ADGM arbitration agreement (A3 v B3 [2019] ADGMCFI 0004) and the second related to the recognition and enforcement of a New York Convention award in the ADGM (and included an insight into the court's approach to the "conduit jurisdiction" question) (A4 v B4 [2019] ADGMCFI 0007).

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.

Henry has published articles on issues relating to international arbitration (including in *Arbitration International*, *The Status and Operation of Unilateral or Optional Arbitration Clauses and Arbitration*, *Dispute Resolution Developments in Bahrain: Creation of a New Arbitral Institution and Introduction of a Form of Statutory Arbitration*). He writes regular articles on arbitration in the UAE and DIFC for Practical Law Company.

- Enforcement in Dubai: two recent cases, Kluwer Arbitration Blog, March 2016
- Shareholder disputes in the UAE: Corporate disputes, Sept 2015
- Mediation and ADR in the Middle East: Corporate disputes, June 2015

Events

Henry speaks regularly at conferences on arbitration issues.