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Dominic Paul Spenser Underhill

Professional Background

English Solicitor Advocate. Education: Oxford and Durham Universities.

Dominic has practised international commercial litigation and arbitration since 1989. He has sat regularly as an arbitrator since 2002.

Former head of International Arbitration at Mayer Brown (London & Paris). Partner and Member of Spenser Underhill Newmark LLP.

Professional Endorsements

"A top class arbitrator; I have nothing but good things to say about him."
Chambers 2014

"Excellent"
Chambers 2017 (Ranked Band 1)

“Excellent and very experienced”
Chambers 2018 (Ranked Band 1)

“...highly regarded...”
Chambers 2019 (Ranked Band 1)

Legal 500 Power List 2019

Global Leader – Who’s Who Legal 2021:

“...a clever arbitrator with an eye on speed and efficiency.”

“I sincerely appreciate his collegial manner and gentlemanly behaviour.”

“He is well experienced as arbitrator in high profile cases.”

Academic Appointments

Visiting Professor Faculty of Law University of Turin, Italy

Visiting Lecturer School of International Arbitration Queen Mary University of London

Arbitral Appointments

Here are some completed appointments:

- Pharmaceutical manufacturing dispute (≥GBP 50m) – Danish and Chinese parties – LCIA – Presiding Arbitrator
- Agrochemical manufacturing, distribution and supply dispute – Australian and Irish parties – ad hoc – Sole arbitrator
- Military vehicle supply dispute in Middle East – Middle Eastern parties – LCIA - Presiding Arbitrator
- Medical manufacturing, distribution and supply dispute – Russian and British Parties – Ad hoc - Co-arbitrator
- Telecomms infrastructure dispute (>\$100m) – Iraqi and UAE parties – ICC – Presiding arbitrator
- Claim over territorial invasion in a global distributorship agreement (heavy machinery) – Brazilian and Chinese parties - UNCITRAL – Panel
- Claim over distributorship of medical products in Nigeria – British and Nigerian parties – Panel
- Solar panel manufacturing and supply dispute – Chinese and Italian parties – ICC - Co-arbitrator

- Heavy plant manufacturing dispute between Ukrainian and German parties (manufacturer and buyer) – LCIA Rules – Sole
- Guarantee and fraud claims (>\$70m) under multiple banking facilities relating to financing of mining operations – Mongolian, British and South African parties - LCIA – Panel
- Partnership dispute – English and US parties – LCIA – Panel
- Product supply dispute between US and Saudi parties - ICC - Sole
- Oil supply dispute between Russian and Kazakh parties – LCIA - Panel
- Oil pipeline manufacturing dispute between Dutch parties in Holland – LCIA Rules – Sole
- Warranty claims arising from the sale of an oil company – English and African parties – LCIA – Panel.
- Dispute arising from large engineering & property development project in Dubai– Singaporean and Middle Eastern parties – LCIA Rules – Panel
- Dispute concerning oil and gas trading software licences – Emirati and Dutch parties – LCIA Panel
- Short-load cargo dispute between Pakistani and Indian parties – LCIA Rules - Panel
- SWAPS / Derivatives dispute ISDA/Asia – ICC – Sole
- Hotel property development in Spain/ joint venture – ICC Rules – Panel
- Shopping centre development in Europe/ joint venture – UNCITRAL Rules - Panel
- Dispute over bank bailout agreement \$1billion non-African and African parties – ICC Rules - Panel
- Dispute over failed distribution agreement of agrochemicals – Europe LCIA - Sole
- Hotel property development in Bulgaria/joint venture – ICC - Panel
- Agency fee dispute – English parties UNCITRAL - Sole
- Metal trading dispute between Swiss and Indian parties – LCIA Rules - Sole
- Telecommunications dispute regarding provision of telephony services – US and Greek parties – UNCITRAL Rules - Sole
- Commercial lending dispute between Maltese and Italian parties – LCIA Rules – Panel & Chairman

- Civil defence dispute involving military vehicles – ICC – Panel
- Defaulting settlement agreement regarding the sale of scrap metal – English parties. LCIA Rules – Sole.
- Financial consultancy dispute – Serbian and Greek parties – LCIA Rules - Sole
- Cargo claim – Swiss and Hong Kong Parties – LCIA Rules – Panel (Chair)
- Claim for alleged breaches of representations and warranties in a sale of a business – German and British parties – ICC Rules – Sole
- Claim for breaches of multiple contracts in large property development joint venture in Southern Europe – Greek and Luxembourg parties – UNCITRAL – Panel (three conjoined cases)
- Claim for breach of an international supply and distribution agreement – Irish and French parties LCIA Rules – Sole
- Claim for breach of contract arising out of ISDA Master Agreement – Asian parties – ICC Rules Sole
- Claim for breach of contract in the banking sector – US and African parties – ICC Rules – Sole
- Claim over the design and build of a super yacht - Italian and British parties – LMAA – Panel
- Claim about ownership of a Mediterranean fishing fleet – Tunisian and Turkish parties – ICC – Panel
- Claims about national distribution of earth moving equipment – Chinese and Brazilian parties – UNCITRAL – Panel
- Claims under joint venture agreement for development of IT – Dutch and Middle Eastern parties – LCIA – Panel

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