ENERGY ARBITRATION
2017 CONFERENCE
Resolving Energy Disputes in Times of Crisis

Friday, April 28, 2017 | 601 Travis Building Auditorium | Houston, Texas

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Navigating the enforcement of awards across the globe
- Finding the right energy arbitrator
- Managing the mega case, tips from those in the know
- In-house counsel open forum
- Effective advocacy in energy arbitration

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PRE-CONFERENCE EVENTS

Thursday, April 27, 2017

3:00 – 4:30
Diversity and Transparency Networking Event
Join us for an informal discussion showcasing various initiatives to improve the diversity of international arbitration tribunals and to address transparency issues in international arbitration. Discussion chaired by Professor Catherine Rogers, founder of Arbitrator Intelligence. Numbers strictly limited.
Venue: Locke Lord LLP, 600 Travis Street, Suite 2800. Refreshments provided.

5:00 – 7:00
Welcome Reception
Join us for welcome drinks
Venue: Coronado Club, 919 Milam Street

CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Friday, April 28, 2017

8:00 – 8:50
Breakfast and Registration
Venue: 601 Travis Building Auditorium
(Corner of Travis Street & Texas Avenue)

8:50 – 9:20
Welcoming Remarks and Key Note Address
John Garman, FCIArb, North American Branch (USA)
Nayla Comair-Obeid, C.Arb, President, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, Obeid Law Firm (Lebanon)

9:20 – 10:10
Around the World in 50 Minutes
Identifying challenges in managing energy disputes around the world and navigating geopolitical changes.
CHAIR:
Ben Hughes, FCIArb, Independent Arbitrator (South Korea)
PANELISTS:
Tim Martin, C.Arb (Canada)
Jose Antonio Rodriguez Marquez, C.Arb, Bufete Rodriguez Marquez, S.C. (Mexico)
Professor Nayla Comair-Obeid, C.Arb, President, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, Obeid Law Firm (Lebanon)
Funke Adekoya, SAN, C.Arb, ÆLEX Law Firm (Nigeria)
10:10 – 10:40  Damages: The Who, the What and the How Much
Simplifying the hardest and most important part of a 21st Century energy arbitration claim, this panel of experts will discuss the latest methods of presenting damages and new ways to present complex damage theories simply, efficiently, understandably, and persuasively.
CHAIR:
Herfried Wöss, MCIarb, Wöss and Partners PLLC (Mexico)
PANELISTS:
Helmut K. Johannsen, P. Eng. C.Arb, Singleton Urquhart (Canada)
Wayne Wilson, The Claro Group (USA)
Professor Pablo T. Spiller, University of California, Berkeley (USA)

10:40 – 11:20  Networking Break

11:20 – 12:00  Choosing the Right Energy Arbitrator in 40 Minutes: Where to start?
The panel will explore the critical factors that drive arbitrator selection, including the increasing impact of arbitrator challenges, conscious or subconscious bias and the “IBM” factor — the perceived benefit of erring on the side of caution.
CHAIR:
Derrick Carson, FCIarb, Locke Lord LLP (USA)
PANELISTS:
Kevin O’Gorman, MCIarb, Norton Rose Fulbright (USA)
Olivier André, CPR: International Institute for Conflict Prevention and Resolution (USA)
Juliet Blanch, Independent Arbitrator (UK)

12:00 – 1:30  Lunch Program
Musings from the trenches, a look back and forward at international disputes.
Conversation style with:
Nigel Blackaby, Freshfields LLP (USA)
Ann Ryan Robertson, FCIarb, Locke Lord LLP (USA)

1:30 – 2:10  Ten Tips on Effective Advocacy in Energy Arbitration
CHAIR:
Gerald Ghikas, Q.C., FCIarb, Independent Arbitrator (Canada)
PANELISTS:
Thomas J. Brewer, FCIarb, Independent Arbitrator (USA)
Tom Cunningham, FCIarb, Tom Alan Cunningham PLLC (USA)
Jean Kalicki, FCIarb, Independent Arbitrator (USA)
Paula Hodges, Q.C., Herbert Smith Freehills LLP (UK)

2:10 – 2:50  Use and Abuse of Process in International Arbitration
This panel will consider the role of the courts in supporting and upholding the core principles of international commercial arbitration. Topics to be discussed will include the need for transparency and judicial oversight to protect the integrity of the arbitral process while preserving the benefits of that process.
CHAIR:
Murray Smith, C.Arb, Independent Arbitrator (Canada)
PANELISTS:
David R. Haigh, Q.C., FCIArb, Burnet, Duckworth and Palmer LLP (Canada)
Professor Catherine Rogers, Professor of Law and Paul and Marjorie Price Faculty Scholar & Professor of Ethics, Regulation & The Rule of Law, Penn State Law, Director, Institute for Ethics, Regulation & The Rule of Law, Queen Mary, University of London (USA)
Professor Andrea Bjorklund, L. Yves Fortier Chair in International Arbitration and International Commercial Law McGill University Faculty of Law, Montreal (Canada)

2:50 – 3:20 Networking Break

3:20 – 4:00 Arbitrating the Mega Energy Case
Large, complex oil and gas arbitrations present unique challenges for arbitrators, parties, and advocates. The panel will discuss suggested ways to address those challenges.
CHAIR:
Gary McGowan, FCIArb, Independent Arbitrator (USA)

PANELISTS:
James Loftis, FCIArb, Vinson & Elkins (USA)
Alan Crain, Senior Vice President, Chief Legal and Governance Officer, Baker Hughes (USA)
Kathleen Paisley, Ambos NBGO Advocaten (Belgium)

4:00 – 5:00 Open Forum
Conducted in open debate, this session will consider whether the commercial arbitration world needs radical change to keep our users happy. The session will take questions from the floor from delegates on hot topics in energy arbitrations.
CHAIR:
Lucy Greenwood, Principal, Greenwood Arbitration (USA)

PANELISTS:
Eugene Silva, ExxonMobil (USA)
Teresa Garcia-Reyes, GE Oil & Gas (USA)

5:00 – 5:15 Closing Remarks
Tom Cunningham, FCIArb, Tom Alan Cunningham PLLC (USA)

5:15 – 7:00 Happy Hour
Post conference cocktails hosted by the North American Branch Young Members Group

7:30 – onward The Final Order
Join us for real Texas barbeque — dinner and denim
Venue: Jackson Street BBQ, 209 Jackson Street
ABOUT

The Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CIArb) is a not-for-profit, UK registered charity working in the public interest through an international network of branches. It has a global membership of around 13,000 individuals who have professional training or experience in alternative dispute resolution (ADR). The CIArb exists for the global promotion, facilitation and development of all forms of private dispute resolution. In addition to providing education and training for arbitrators, mediators and adjudicators, the CIArb is an international center for practitioners, policy makers, academics and those in business concerned with the cost-effective and early settlement of disputes.

The CIArb also includes a Young Members Group (YMG) open to all members age 40 and under. With over 3,000 members in over 90 countries, the YMG has its own annual conference, social media groups and regular e-newsletter.

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This conference is offered free to members of CIArb, but registration is compulsory.

Numbers will be limited so register early.

Standard Registration
Fee $250.00

Discount Rate
Members of HIAC
Fee $150.00

Friday evening dinner at 7:30 pm is offered at an additional $80.00

ACCOMMODATIONS

No block of rooms has been reserved. The following hotels are in walking distance of the venue.

Magnolia Hotel
1100 Texas Avenue
www.magnoliahotels.com

The Lancaster Hotel
701 Texas Avenue
www.thelancaster.com

JW Marriott – Downtown Houston
806 Main Street
www.jwmarriottthotelhouston.com
CONFERENCE CO-CHAIRS

Tom Cunningham has been an active trial lawyer and arbitrator for over 40 years. Mr. Cunningham’s extensive trial and arbitration experience covers a variety of substantive areas, including energy, oil and gas, construction, hospitality, contracts, business torts, fiduciary liability, estates, trusts, professional liability, officer and director liability, and product liability. He is a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, and serves as a member of the governing board of the CIArb North American Branch and as the President of the Texas Chapter. He is certified in mediation and dispute resolution by CEDR, London. Mr. Cunningham is a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers. He chaired the Texas State Committee of the American College and has served on a variety of other committees, including the National Trial Competition Committee, the National Moot Court Competition Committee, and the Legal Ethics and Professionalism Committee. Mr. Cunningham is also a member of the American Board of Trial Advocates.

Mr. Cunningham has served prominently in professional organizations and societies, and he has been a leader in promoting professional responsibility among lawyers and judges. He chaired the Texas Commission on Lawyer Discipline, the Texas agency that oversees and administers the system of lawyer professional responsibility. He also chaired the Texas State Judicial Conduct Commission, the body responsible for addressing complaints against judges in Texas. Other professional activities include service as Chair of the Board of Directors of the State Bar of Texas, Chair of the Board of Trustees of the Texas Bar Foundation, and Chair of the Fellows of the Texas Bar Foundation.

Lucy Greenwood has twenty years of experience in international arbitration and has recently launched a solo practice as an international arbitrator. Qualified as a solicitor in England and Wales and admitted to the State Bar of Texas, Lucy has a wealth of experience working with energy companies, banks, investment groups, airlines, media groups and many others in relation to international disputes, commercial litigation and regulatory proceedings. Lucy has been involved in cases under most of the major international arbitration rules, relating to matters as diverse as oil and gas, electricity generation, joint ventures, exploration and development, motor-racing and telecommunications. The laws applicable to resolve the international disputes in which Lucy has been involved include international law and the laws of Switzerland, France, England, Texas, Chile, India, Hungary, Trinidad and Venezuela. She has particular experience with oil and gas disputes and questions of interpretation and construction under English law.

Noted as “One to Watch” by Global Arbitration Review, as an Expert in International Arbitration by Legal 500, selected to appear in Who’s Who Legal and chosen as one of GAR’s Future Leaders in Arbitration under 45 (2017), Lucy is particularly known for her work in Diversity and Inclusion, having published widely in this field. She received her BA and MA in Law from Cambridge University, is a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CIArb) and is on the CIArb faculty for training international arbitrators across North America. She is on the board of ArbitralWomen and the Executive Committee of the North American Branch of the Chartered Institute. Follow her on twitter @intarblawyer.

Ann Ryan Robertson, International Partner in the Houston office of the global firm of Locke Lord LLP, serves as an arbitrator and advocate in both international and domestic arbitrations. Her practice focuses primarily on commercial and energy-related disputes. Ms. Robertson serves as Trustee of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and is a member of the Council for the American Arbitration Association and the U.S. delegation to the NAFTA Advisory Committee on Private Commercial Disputes. Since 2014, she has been recognized by The Best Lawyers in America, and in 2014 and 2016, received the distinction of Lawyer of the Year, International Arbitration – Governmental (Houston) by The Best Lawyers in America. Ms. Robertson was named to Global Arbitration Review’s “Who’s Who Legal: Arbitration” for 2015, 2016 and 2017, and since 2009, Law & Politics and Texas Monthly have recognized Ms. Robertson as a Texas Super Lawyer in the field of international law. In 2016, she received the University of Houston Law Center’s Private Sector Achievement Award and in 2008, Ms. Robertson was honored as one of 30 “Extraordinary Women in Texas Law” by Texas Lawyer. She is a member of the arbitration panels of the American Arbitration Association, the International Centre for Dispute Resolution, the Kuala Lumpur Regional Centre for Arbitration and the Korean Commercial Arbitration Board. Ms. Robertson is an adjunct professor at the University of Houston Law Center teaching “International Arbitration Advocacy” and for the past 16 years, she has coached the Law Center’s Willem C. Vis International Arbitration Moot team which competes each year in Hong Kong. Most recently, Ms. Robertson was named to the International Task Force on Mixed Mode Dispute Resolution, a joint initiative of the College of Commercial Arbitrators, the International Mediation Institute and the Strauss Institute for Dispute Resolution, Pepperdine University School of Law.
SPEAKERS

Funke Adekoya is a Partner at ÆLEX, one of the largest full service commercial law firms in Nigeria where she heads the Dispute Resolution practice group. ÆLEX also maintains an office in Accra, Ghana. After obtaining her professional legal qualifications from the Nigerian Law School in 1975, she attended Harvard Law School, Boston, Massachusetts USA where she obtained her LLM in 1977. She was elevated to the rank of Senior Advocate of Nigeria in September 2001. She re-qualified as a Solicitor in England and Wales in July 2004 and maintains a current practicing licence with the Law Society. She is a Chartered Arbitrator and currently a Vice President of the ICC Court of Arbitration.

In addition to appointments as either sole, party appointed arbitrator or chair of the panel in both international and domestic arbitration proceedings [institutional and ad hoc], she heads the firm’s 15 member dispute resolution practice group which provides legal representation to domestic and offshore clients, in both litigation and arbitration proceedings for offshore clients; has advised investors on potential investment treaty claims and has appeared as an expert witness on Nigerian law issues in courts in Turkey, the UK and the United States.

She was also a member of the IBA Task Force which prepared the IBA Guidelines on Party Representation in International Arbitration.

Olivier André is CPR's Vice President, International and Dispute Resolution Services. In this capacity, Mr. André is responsible for CPR's international activities, as well as international arbitration and mediation matters which are brought before CPR pursuant to its rules. He is involved in all aspects of the proceedings, including neutral selection, challenges, clause drafting assistance and procedural questions. Olivier is also responsible for Y-ADR — a program for young international dispute resolution practitioners — and the upcoming CPR International Mediation Competition to take place in São Paulo in May 2017.

Olivier recently contributed to the drafting of the CPR European Mediation and ADR Practical Guide for Corporates and the drafting of the CPR Administered Arbitration Rules.

He is a member of CPR's European Advisory Board and CPR's Brazil Advisory Board, a member of CPR's Arbitration Committee, a member of the International Commercial Disputes Committee and an affiliate member of the Arbitration Committee of the New York City Bar Association.

He started his legal career at Shearman & Sterling L.L.P and at the ICC Court of International Arbitration in Paris. He has been trained as a mediator and studied law in France, Germany and in the U.S., where he obtained his Juris Doctor and where he is admitted to practice law in New York and Massachusetts. He is a dual citizen of the United States and of the European Union (France).

Andrea K. Bjorklund is a Full Professor and the L. Yves Fortier Chair in International Arbitration and International Commercial Law at McGill University Faculty of Law. In addition to serving as an adviser to the American Law Institute’s project on restating the U.S. law of international commercial arbitration, she is a member of the Advisory Board of the Investment Treaty Forum of the British Institute for International and Comparative Law. Professor Bjorklund was the inaugural ICSID Scholar-in-Residence from 2014–2015 and was Editor-in-Chief of the Yearbook on International Investment Law and Policy from 2012 to 2015. She is on the panel of arbitrators of the AAA's International Centre for Dispute Resolution and on the roster of NAFTA Chapter 19 arbitrators. Professor Bjorklund is widely published in investment law and dispute resolution and transnational contracts.

Prior to joining McGill, Professor Bjorklund taught at the University of California, Davis, School of Law. Before entering the academy she was an attorney-adviser on the NAFTA arbitration team in the Office of the Legal Adviser of the U.S. Department of State, in addition to periods at the U.S. International Trade Commission and in private practice at Miller & Chevalier in Washington, D.C. She clerked for Judge Samuel J. Ervin, III, of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit. Professor Bjorklund has a J.D. from Yale Law School, an M.A. in French Studies from New York University, and a B.A. (with High Honors) in History and French from the University of Nebraska.
Nigel Blackaby is global head of Freshfields’ international arbitration group and is recognized as an “undisputed leader in his field.” He has acted as counsel and arbitrator in over 100 ad hoc and institutional arbitrations in the English and Spanish languages (including over 30 investment arbitrations). He has particular expertise in Latin America and energy and mining disputes.

Juliet Blanch is a full time arbitrator having previously chaired the international dispute resolution practice at Weil, Gotshal & Manges. Juliet has over 30 years’ experience in the arbitration of both international commercial and investment treaty disputes with a particular focus on energy and infrastructure, mining, commodities, telecommunications, pharmaceutical, hospitality, maritime and shareholder disputes. Juliet has acted as lead Counsel and/or sat as arbitrator in arbitrations held under HKIAC, ICC, ICSID, LCIA, LMAA, SCC, SIAC, UNCITRAL and other rules and which have been seated in a variety of jurisdictions including London, Hong Kong, Paris, Singapore, Stockholm, Washington DC and Zurich. Juliet is a Director of the LCIA and chairs the review committee of the Energy Arbitrators List. She frequently lectures on a variety of arbitration related subjects and was external examiner for the Queen Mary LLM course: International Trade and Investment Dispute Settlement, she is vice chair of the Oil and Gas Arbitration Club, sits on the editorial board of Dispute Resolution International and is a member of the FDI Moot Advisory Board. Juliet is consistently ranked highly in legal directories for international arbitration, litigation, and projects and energy in the UK, Europe and globally, and is recognised as “a well-known figure in the market and is respected for her depth of knowledge in both litigation and arbitration,” as well as for “her enthusiasm, dedication and magnificent reputation,” “a rare blend of practicality and technical excellence” and as “a joy to work with, a good leader of people with fantastic judgement and a very sharp intellect.” She was featured in The Lawyer’s “The Hot 100 2015: Litigation,” and selected to the 2014 London Super Lawyers list as one of the Top 50 Women Lawyers and for her commercial litigation expertise.

Thomas J. Brewer has served as a sole or panelist arbitrator since 1985 in hundreds of arbitrations, in cases administered by AAA, ICDR, JAMS, ICC, LCIA, SIAC and under the UNCITRAL, CPR, Society of Maritime Arbitrators and American Association of Railroads rules, and in numerous non-administered cases. He often serves as the chair of three-arbitrator panels. He is a member of the ICDR’s International Roster of arbitrators and of its International Energy Arbitrators List, the AAA’s Commercial, Large Complex Case and National Energy Panel of arbitrators, and of the CPR Institute’s National, International/Cross-Border and Energy, Oil and Gas panels of arbitrators. He frequently serves as an arbitrator in both international and domestic energy arbitrations. He is a Fellow of the College of Commercial Arbitrators and of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators. He was selected by Best Lawyers as Lawyer of the Year for arbitration in Seattle in 2015 and again for 2017.

He writes and speaks frequently on arbitration topics, was a contributing author to The Leading Practitioners’ Guide to International Oil & Gas Arbitrations, (Juris, Gaitis ed., 2015), and was also a contributing author to The College of Commercial Arbitrators Guide to Best Practices in Commercial Arbitration, (Juris, Gaitis ed., 2013) (and to the two prior editions).

He is a graduate of Dartmouth College, Oxford University, and of the Harvard Law School. He is based in Seattle, Washington, USA. A more detailed C.V. is posted at www.tjbrewer.com.

Derrick Carson is a Partner in Locke Lord’s Houston office. He serves as chair of the Firm’s construction disputes practice group and deputy chair of its energy litigation practice group. He has a global practice, primarily representing clients in the energy, petrochemical and construction industries. He has tried cases as lead counsel to juries, judges and arbitrators, and served as lead counsel on appeals, including arguing cases before U.S. Courts of Appeal. He is well versed in international arbitration having represented clients before a host of international arbitral bodies around the globe on issues as diverse as the development of oil and gas fields, pipeline and offshore rig construction, alternative energy projects, maritime, and other business disputes. Derrick regularly speaks and publishes on issues related to international arbitration and served on the Executive Committee for the North American Branch of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators from 2012 to 2015 as the Vice Chair of Arbitrator Training & Education.
Prof. Nayla Comair-Obeid is founding partner of Obeid Law Firm, specialises in international business law and Islamic and Middle Eastern legislation and regularly serves as counsel or arbitrator in complex international arbitrations conducted in Arabic, French or English, both ad hoc and under a variety of international arbitration rules. Professor Comair-Obeid is also often called upon as a legal expert on various aspects of Lebanese law and Middle Eastern legislation in foreign courts and arbitral proceedings. She is Professor of International Commercial Arbitration at the Lebanese University and alternative dispute resolution at the Lebanese Judicial Institute and former visiting professor at the University of Paris II, Panthéon-Assas. Professor Comair-Obeid has taught the principles of civil law at the Lebanese University for many years.

Professor Comair-Obeid also publishes prolifically and is regularly invited to lecture at world renowned academic institutions where her articles and scholarly publications are often cited as reference works. Of particular note is her book The Law of Business Contracts in the Middle East (Kluwer Law).

Professor Comair-Obeid is the President-Elect of the CIArb and will serve as President of the CIArb in 2017. In her work with the CIArb, she has developed a pioneering syllabus interweaving the principles of international dispute resolution and Islamic Finance, to be introduced as a London course next year. She has chaired and continues to chair multiple international panels, and is the former chair of the board of trustees of CIArb; a member of the ICSID panel of arbitrators and conciliators; a member of the International Council for Commercial Arbitration (ICCA); former vice chair of the International Bar Association arbitration committee; trustee of the Cairo Regional Centre for International Arbitration; former CIArb trustee for the Middle East and Indian Sub-Continent; council member of the Institute of World Business Law of the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC); former chair of the Lebanese Branch of CIArb; and a former commissioner of the United Nations Compensation Commission (UNCC) in Geneva.

Alan R. Crain has advised Fortune 500 companies in legal and business matters throughout the world for over 35 years. He began his career with a private law firm in Washington, D.C. and has been General Counsel of three Fortune 500 multinationals. He is currently Senior Vice President, Chief Legal and Governance Officer of Baker Hughes Incorporated.

Mr. Crain has served as an arbitrator in more than 60 cases covering a broad range of commercial matters — normally as chair of the tribunal or as sole arbitrator. He has been appointed to tribunals under the rules of the ICC, ICDR, AAA, multiple securities arbitral organizations, and UNCITRAL. Mr. Crain has spoken to or chaired arbitration education programs for the Institute for Transnational Arbitration (“ITA”) as well as the ICC, ICDR, AAA and other organizations. Mr. Crain is a member of the board of directors of the AAA and has been on the Advisory Board of the ITA for over 20 years, where he is currently a Vice Chairman. He has taught arbitration skills, particularly “How to Chair a Large & Complex International Arbitration.”

In addition to the boards of the American Arbitration Association and the Institute for Transnational Arbitration, Mr. Crain currently serves on the boards of the Asia Society of Houston, the World Affairs Council of Greater Houston and the National Association of Corporate Directors, Texas Tri-Cities Chapter. He has received honors and awards from the Institute for Energy Law, the Houston Business Journal, the Texas General Counsel Forum, and other organizations. In addition to his J.D. and M.B.A. degrees, he holds B.S. and M.S. degrees in Engineering.
Teresa Garcia-Reyes is Senior Counsel, Litigation for GE Oil & Gas, in Houston, Texas. She represents her division in commercial disputes world-wide, with a focus on leading negotiations, mediations, arbitrations, and litigations in North and South America. Her experience includes acting as counsel in commercial disputes under the rules of various international and regional institutions, and coordinating the activities of outside counsel in domestic court and arbitral proceedings. She also leads policy initiatives within her business, aimed at managing and reducing the risks of disputes with suppliers and customers, including promoting the use of mediation as form of alternative dispute resolution.

Teresa is a native of Houston, Texas. She graduated from Texas A&M University, cum laude, with a B.B.A. in Management, in 2001, and from Tulane Law School, summa cum laude, with a J.D., in 2004. She is a member of the Texas bar, and is licensed in the Southern, Eastern, and Northern Districts of Texas.

Prior to joining GE, Teresa was with Morgan Lewis & Bockius LLP, where her practice focused on commercial disputes and patent litigation. Prior to that, Teresa was with the international law firm Mayer Brown LLP, where she represented clients in commercial disputes both in US courts and in international arbitrations.

Teresa is a former Co-Chair of the Houston Bar Association’s Gender Fairness Committee, and she currently serves as her business’ representative on GE’s Diversity & Inclusion Committee. She is also active in various community organizations, including the Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo.

John Garman’s background and experience is in the areas of international commercial transactions and alternate dispute resolution. He is an arbitrator/neutral and has conducted educational programs in Europe and the US, addressing issues concerning Diversity, ADR and the international practice of law. Mr. Garman currently teaches as a part-time Professor at University of Southern California, Gould Law School teaching International Arbitration Competition and an adjunct Professor at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, Boyd Law School, teaching International Negotiation/Mediation and International Commercial Arbitration.

Mr. Garman is a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and currently serves as the Chair of the North American Branch of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators. He is also a Course Director and Tutor for the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators in the field of International Commercial Arbitration.

Mr. Garman is a Certified Mediator with the International Mediation Institute and a Neutral on the American Arbitration Association Commercial Arbitration and Mediation Panel. He is also on the Attorney Settlement Officer Panel of the United States District Court, Central District of California and a Neutral with the California Court of Appeals, Second Appellate District. Mr. Garman previously served on the Executive Committee of the International Law section of the California Bar and the International Bar Association Task Force to study and evaluate the text of the UNCITRAL Model Law on International Commercial Conciliation.

Mr. Garman is “Of Counsel” to Hasch & Partners, an Austrian law firm and has offices in Vienna, Austria and Manhattan Beach, California. He is admitted in California, the District of Columbia and as a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of England and Wales.

Gerry Ghikas, Q.C. is an independent commercial arbitrator who conducts his international and domestic practice from Vancouver Arbitration Chambers. Before becoming a full-time arbitrator, Gerry practiced as an advocate for over 35 years, appearing before domestic courts and many international tribunals.

His arbitrator experience spans a broad range of business and legal subjects including mining, energy, intellectual property, construction, manufacturing, antitrust, partnerships, joint ventures and other contractual arrangements. The amounts involved range from tens of thousands to billions of dollars. He has served in ICC, LCIA, ICDR, AAA, SCC and other administered arbitrations, as well as arbitrations under the UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules and ad hoc cases.

He is: Vice-President North American Users Council of London Court of International Arbitration; Founder of the Western Canada Commercial Arbitration Society; Chair of Arbitration Legislation Review Project of the Uniform Law Conference of Canada; Former Chair of the ICC National Arbitration Committee for Canada; Former Canadian delegate to UNCITRAL Working Group II; a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and the College of Commercial Arbitrators.
David R. Haigh, Q.C. is a senior partner with the Calgary law firm of Burnet Duckworth & Palmer LLP where he has practiced as a commercial litigation counsel in the Canadian courts and as an advocate and arbitrator in the field of international commercial arbitration. He has served as an arbitrator on numerous international commercial arbitration and investor-state panels. He has, in addition, acted as counsel on a wide variety of arbitration matters, including ad hoc, institutional, private and investor-state disputes. David served as the national chairman of the Canadian ICC Committee for 6 years and as a director of the American Arbitration Association (“AAA”) for 12 years. David has been a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators for many years and is now a Chartered Arbitrator. He is also a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers and a Founding Member of the Western Canada Commercial Arbitration Society. David has been recognized as a panelist on the Energy Arbitrators List published by the ICDR. David is also a panelist with numerous well recognized international arbitration centers and has conducted arbitrations in recent years among a large variety of nationals and state entities. David has represented both claimants and states in various investor state matters. David’s extensive experience as a leading Canadian litigation counsel has prepared him for a widely based arbitration practice. He has actively participated in disputes involving, among other things:

- oil and gas, energy related disputes including exploration, production, marketing, storage and pricing disputes; and
- numerous other contractual and corporate/commercial disputes including such subject matters as coal and potash mining, pharmaceuticals, telecommunications and intellectual property

Benjamin Hughes, FCIArb, FHKIArb, FSIArb is an independent arbitrator with The Arbitration Chambers in Singapore and Fountain Court Chambers in London, and associate professor at Seoul National University Law School. Prior to launching his career as an independent arbitrator, Ben practiced international arbitration with Shearman & Sterling in the US and Singapore, and was the founding co-chair of the international dispute resolution practice group at Shin & Kim in Seoul.

Ben left law firm practice in March 2013 to focus on his practice as an independent arbitrator. Since then, he has been appointed in over 50 arbitrations under the rules of the AAA/ICDR, ACICA, CIETAC, DIS, HKIAC, ICC, JCAA, KCAB, KLRCA, SCC, SIAC, UNICITRAL (both administered and ad-hoc) and VIAC, as well as purely ad-hoc arbitrations. He has also acted as emergency arbitrator and as sole arbitrator in expedited and fast track proceedings, and is on the panel of arbitrators of numerous arbitral institutions. Chambers and Partners (2016) recognized Ben as a “Most in Demand Arbitrator” in the Asia-Pacific Region.

Ben is fluent in Korean, having studied law at Seoul National University prior to obtaining his JD in the US. He is a member of the International Arbitration Committee of the Korean Commercial Arbitration Board, the Executive Committee of the Seoul International Dispute Resolution Center, and was the founding chair of the Korea Chapter of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators. In 2011, Mayor Won-Soon Park made Ben an honorary citizen of Seoul in recognition of his contributions to the legal community.

Helmut Johannsen, P.Eng., C.Arb., FCIArb. is Associate Counsel in the Vancouver office of Singleton Urquhart LLP. He is a lawyer, professional engineer and chartered arbitrator. Helmut is a Fellow and Past President of the Canadian College of Construction Lawyers, a Fellow of the American College of Construction Lawyers, a Fellow and Secretary of the International Academy of Construction Lawyers, a vice-chair of the International Construction Projects Committee of the International Bar Association, a director of the ADR Institute of BC, and a member of the Dispute Resolution Board Foundation. His practice includes all aspects of law related to construction, engineering and procurement in the infrastructure and energy industries, including acting as counsel in litigation and arbitration of disputes as well as advising on and preparing procurement processes and contracts. He has also acted and continues to act as an Arbitrator, Dispute Review Board Member and Project Adjudicator on various projects. He has represented contractors and owners in equal proportion over the years, as well as subcontractors, suppliers, architects and engineers, giving him a balanced perspective of the industry. He is recognized and listed in Who’s Who Legal (under both Construction and Public Procurement), as well as in Lexpert, Best Lawyers in Canada, Chambers Global, Martindale-Hubbell and the Euromoney Expert Guides to World’s Leading Lawyers.
Jean Kalicki is an independent arbitrator in New York and Washington, DC, specializing in investor-State, international and complex commercial disputes. Until April 2016, she was a Partner at Arnold & Porter LLP. Over 25 years, she has conducted arbitrations involving six continents, across many industries, addressing public international law and the laws of dozens of countries.

Ms. Kalicki is a Vice President of the LCIA, a former member of the AAA Board, a member of the ICC Commission (US National Committee) and the Board of SICANA, Inc. (ICC North America), and a member of the ICCA Governing Board. She is a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and the College of Commercial Arbitrators; teaches arbitration and advocacy as adjunct professor at Georgetown and American University law schools; was co-editor of Reshaping the Investor-State Dispute Settlement System: Journeys For The 21St Century (Brill Nijhoff and TDM-OGEMID 2015); and serves on the Editorial Boards of the ICSID Review and Global Arbitration Review.

In 2016, Law360 named Ms. Kalicki one of the “Five Most Influential Female International Arbitrators” in the world. She was recently selected as Best Lawyers’ “Lawyer of the Year” for International Arbitration-Governmental for both Washington, DC (2016) and New York (2017).

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José Antonio worked as an associate in Santamarina y Steta in Mexico City, and was a visiting lawyer in Baker Botts in its Houston office. He formed Bufete Rodríguez Márquez, S.C. 30 years ago.

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