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Practice

Arbitrator and Counsel in International Commercial Arbitration and Investment Disputes

Experience

Nicolas Wiegand has more than 10 years of experience in acting as arbitrator and counsel in more than 80 international commercial arbitrations under all major institutional rules (mostly ICC, but also HKIAC, DIAC, ASA, VIAC, SCC, DIS and others) as well as in 5 foreign

investment treaty disputes. In addition to his practice as arbitrator and counsel, he has also gained significant experience as assistant to tribunals composed of the world's most eminent arbitrators in a large number of high value and high profile disputes in the early years of his career.

Nicolas (born and raised in Switzerland, German nationality) has previously worked in Australia, the United States and Switzerland and is now based in Hong Kong and Munich. The regional focus of his work is in Asia, in particular at the main arbitration hubs of Hong Kong and Singapore. He has sat as arbitrator in numerous cases at Asian seats and involving Asian parties, and has handled and advised on numerous high profile disputes between Asian and European parties or relating to business activities in Asia. This practice has given him extensive experience in arbitrating in Asia. Inter alia, he is on the panel of arbitrators of the Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre (HKIAC) and on the panel of arbitrators of the Dubai International Arbitration Centre (DIAC).

His most recent practice has focused on disputes relating to, inter alia, licensing agreements, sales and distribution agreements, major projects/construction, investment disputes, asset/share purchase and joint venture agreements (post M&A disputes), IP and IT related disputes as well as gas/energy supply agreements.

Arbitrator Nominations

Nicolas has so far sat as an arbitrator in 15 commercial arbitrations (10 institutional, 5 ad hoc); he was appointed Chairman on three occasions, sole arbitrator in six arbitrations and coarbitrator in six proceedings. The seats of his cases include the world's most important arbitral seats such as Hong Kong, Zurich or Dubai.

Panels/Memberships

Nicolas is a member of numerous national and international arbitration institutions:

- Arbitrator in several ICC cases
- Panel of Arbitrators of the Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre (HKIAC)
- Panel of Arbitrators of the Dubai International Arbitration Centre (DIAC)
- Panel of Arbitrators of the Kuala Lumpur Regional Centre for Arbitration (KLRCA)
- International Mediator & Arbitrator Panel of the Indian Institute of Arbitration & Mediation (IIAM)
- ICCA Member (and Young ICCA Advisory Member)
- Deutsche Institution für Schiedsgerichtsbarkeit (DIS)
- Swiss Arbitration Association (ASA)

- International Bar Association (IBA)
- Inter-Pacific Bar Association (IPBA)
- ABIE Germany (Australian Business in Europe)
- "Best Lawyers"-listing for 'Arbitration/Mediation'
- Listed on "Deutschlands beste Wirtschaftsanwälte" in the category 'Arbitration', published in the nationwide business newspaper Handelsblatt

Qualifications

- Legal education at University of Munich / Courts of the State of Bavaria
- Doctoral thesis (PhD) in law at the University of Munich (2005)
- Admitted in Germany

Publications

Nicolas is a regular speaker at international conferences and seminars on international arbitration, most recently during the ICCA Summit in May 2015 in Hong Kong. He has also published several articles/commentaries, among others:

- "Mock Arbitrations", in: Arbitration Insights, Essays in Honour of Neil Kaplan, Hong Kong 2012 (together with Klaus Sachs)
- Commentary on the recognition and enforcement of arbitration awards (*German title*: Handbuch des Zwangsvollstreckungsrechts, Verlag C.H. Beck 2009, Kapitel 10: Anerkennung und Vollstreckung von Schiedssprüchen)
- "Schiedsvereinbarung und -verfahren für Gesellschafterstreitigkeiten", Anwaltsblatt
 2007, p. 396 ff
- "Die Sicherungsgesellschaft Der Sicherungsvertrag bei der Sicherungsübereignung als BGB-Gesellschaftsvertrag", Münchener Universitätsschriften, Verlag C.H. Beck, München 2006