

# Rob Lambert, London



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Recognised internationally as a leading arbitration practitioner, Rob Lambert qualified as a Solicitor in 1989 having gained a 1<sup>st</sup> class Law degree at Oxford University. He became a Partner in May 1997. Rob is a core member of the firm's international arbitration practice, having specialised in the field for over 25 years.

Rob is an experienced advocate, having appeared as lead counsel before numerous international arbitral tribunals. He has particular expertise in the energy, infrastructure and telecommunications sectors, as well as considerable experience of joint venture and shareholder disputes. Rob has handled arbitration cases under ICC, LCIA, ICSID, UNCITRAL and other international rules. He has conducted arbitrations (institutional and ad hoc) in numerous jurisdictions in Europe, Asia, US, Middle East, Africa and Australia. Rob has been appointed to serve on arbitral tribunals adjudicating upon disputes in the energy, manufacturing and IT sectors.

Rob has been appointed as a member of several international arbitral committees, including the ICC Taskforce on Arbitrating Competition Law Issues; the Arbitration Practice Committee of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators; and the IBA Working Party in relation to IBA Rules on the Taking of Evidence in International Commercial Arbitration.

Rob has given lectures and seminars on topical arbitration issues at conferences in the UK, Europe, Asia, the US and Latin America.

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## Examples of Rob's experience include the following:

### Telecoms and IT

- counsel for international defence contractor in connection with \$1 billion dispute with the UK Home Office related to the termination of an agreement for a state-of-the-art immigration control system. LCIA Arbitration, London
- counsel for Japanese telco in connection with US\$300 million dispute related to construction of fixed line telephone network in Manila. ICC Arbitration, Hong Kong and Singapore
- counsel for satellite operator in three fast-track LCIA arbitrations against its major distributors in connection with disputes under their distribution arrangements. LCIA Arbitration, London
- counsel for the Latvian Government in connection with US\$1 billion dispute with foreign investor arising out of liberalisation of telecommunications sector following Latvia's entry into the WTO and EU. ICC Arbitration, Stockholm
- counsel for US telco in arbitration against Asian telco related to settlement of international transit traffic. UNCITRAL Arbitration, London
- counsel for Latvian state broadcasting entity in arbitration arising from digital terrestrial broadcasting project in Latvia. ICC Arbitration, Stockholm and related competition proceedings in Latvian courts
- counsel for US telco in disputes related to US \$4 billion telecommunications project in the Middle East. LCIA Arbitration, London and New York
- representing minority shareholder in disputes with majority shareholder in Polish mobile telephone operator
- representing bank in shareholder dispute in connection with mobile operator in the Balkans
- counsel for shareholders in Nigerian mobile operator in US\$1.5 billion dispute concerning alleged breaches of pre-emption rights. UNCITRAL Arbitration, Lagos
- strategic advice to Middle Eastern government concerning US\$3 billion dispute related to termination of two GSM mobile licences, involving parallel ICC arbitration and UNCITRAL arbitration under applicable BIT, both in Switzerland
- advising service provider in disputes with UK Government related to major programme for outsourcing of procurement, HR, finance, accounting and payroll functions.

### Energy

- counsel for multinational energy company in connection with allegedly fraudulent coal supply arrangements to one of its European power stations. Ad hoc arbitration, London
- counsel for Russian private equity investor in US\$1 billion dispute with co-shareholder related to acquisition and development of an oil field in the Russian Federation. LCIA Arbitration, London and related proceedings in the Russian courts
- counsel for multinational energy company in disputes arising from acquisition of two coal-fired power stations in the UK. LCIA Arbitration, London
- counsel for Middle Eastern energy company in disputes with Japanese contractor related to defective construction of LNG facility in the Middle East
- counsel for Romanian energy company in disputes concerning brokerage services related to long-term electricity supply contract. ICC Arbitration, Vienna
- representing European energy corporation in disputes with suppliers under long term gas supply contracts. Ad hoc arbitration, Norway

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## Joint Venture / Shareholder Disputes

- counsel to shareholders in international telecoms business in a battle against its co-shareholders for control of the business, involving both civil and criminal proceedings in multiple jurisdictions. LCIA London and parallel proceedings in the Netherlands and Cyprus
- advising international energy company in disputes with JV partner in connection with their participation in a Brazilian joint venture
- advising European telecoms operator in disputes with co-shareholders in connection with its shareholding in Russian mobile operator
- strategic advice to international oil company in high profile dispute with its joint venture partners in Russia
- representing joint venture company in disputes surrounding dissolution of a joint venture in the carbon capture and storage sector
- representing international mining company in multi-million dollar dispute with joint venture partner related to the development of a major mining concession in West Africa
- representing African shareholders in disputes with strategic investor related to its investment in an African copper and cobalt mining business
- strategic advice to major European insurer in connection with dispute with Russian joint venture partner
- counsel for Russian investor in disputes with developers under JV arrangements concerning development of commercial property in the Russian Federation. LCIA Arbitration and related court proceedings in Cyprus and in Russia.
- representing Russian investment company in high profile disputes related to its stake in major Russian minerals and mining corporation and related disputes with other shareholders.
- counsel for private equity investor in disputes with Singaporean vendors arising from acquisition of Singaporean shipping business. SIAC Arbitration, Singapore
- representing majority shareholder in disputes with minority shareholder related to allegations of fraud in connection with acquisition of controlling stake in Russian life insurance business. LCIA Arbitration, London
- representing shareholder in disputes with co-shareholders in UK power business related to alleged breaches of confidentiality and pre-emption rights

## Construction

- counsel to international developer in multi-million dollar arbitration against contractor in connection with the construction of a mixed retail and office development in central Moscow. ICC Arbitration, London
- counsel for Middle Eastern government in disputes with German contractor related to construction of a toll road. ICC Arbitration, Geneva
- counsel for Thai owner in disputes with US contractor related to expansion of steel mill facility in Thailand. UNCITRAL Arbitration, London
- counsel for contractor in dispute related to construction of motorway project in the UAE. Ad hoc Arbitration, Dubai
- counsel for developer in disputes with project manager related to construction of a luxury hotel project in the Seychelles. UNCITRAL Arbitration, London
- counsel for East African electricity utility in disputes related to construction of hydro-electric power project in Tanzania. UNCITRAL Arbitration, London
- counsel for Korean contractor in disputes with Turkish co-contractor under consortium agreement related to construction of oil refinery project in Turkey. ICC Arbitration, London and parallel court proceedings in Turkey

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## Construction (Continued)

- representing builder in disputes with owner in connection with the construction of two drilling platforms in the Middle East. DIFC-LCIA Arbitration, Dubai
- representing owner in disputes with construction manager under EPCM Contract related to construction of an aluminium smelting facility in Siberia
- representing Asian shipbuilder in disputes with owner in connection with the construction of an offshore drilling platform. LMAA Arbitration, London
- counsel to Mongolian mine owner in disputes with EPCM contractor in arbitration related to termination of an EPCM Contract. LCIA Arbitration, London
- counsel to Mongolian developer in arbitration against Korean contractor related to construction of high rise multi-purpose building in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia. SIAC Arbitration, Singapore
- representing Russian owner in disputes with Spanish contractors in connection with construction of oil refinery project in the Russian Far East

## Aerospace / Defence

- counsel for UK company in multi-million dollar disputes against Iranian government arising from the cancellation of a series of defence contracts. ICC Arbitration, The Hague and litigation in Iran and other jurisdictions
- counsel for US defence contractor in connection with substantial disputes related to the delivery of airborne radar surveillance system
- counsel for defence contractor in connection with highly confidential dispute related to operations in an East European jurisdiction

## Commercial

- sitting as arbitrator in a Swiss law dispute between Finnish and Turkish parties related to construction and commissioning of paper mill near Istanbul. ICC Arbitration, Geneva
- counsel for US pharmaceuticals company in disputes related to termination of licence with European licensor. WIPO Arbitration, London
- advising Swiss pharmaceutical company in disputes with Japanese pharmaceutical company under Licence and Co-Development Agreement related to development and commercialisation of a pharmaceutical product on a worldwide basis
- advising purchasers of major shopping mall project in Central Moscow in connection with disputes with sellers related to alleged breaches of the parties' respective leasing obligations and other terms of the applicable SPA
- counsel to Chinese purchaser in US\$300 million dispute with sellers related to alleged wrongful termination of long term supply contract for manganese carbonate ore. LCIA Arbitration London and parallel proceedings in the PRC Courts
- counsel to German high tech manufacturer in disputes with Chinese purchaser related to the supply of equipment for production of solar panels. HKIAC Arbitration, Hong Kong
- counsel for Japanese automobile manufacturer in disputes with Polish distributor related to termination of distributorship agreement. ICC Arbitration, Paris
- counsel for Canadian corporation in disputes with French competitor for breaches of license for development of water filtration technology. ICC Arbitration, London

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## Commercial (Continued)

- counsel for European Football Club and its manager in disputes with a national football association. CAS Arbitration, Switzerland and ad hoc Arbitration, Sydney
- counsel for Russian-owned investor in breach of warranty disputes following acquisition of real estate in the Moscow region. LCIA Arbitration, London
- representing a European office of an international law firm in disputes concerning separation from the international network. UNCITRAL Arbitration, Geneva
- counsel for Central Asian aluminium purchaser in disputes with European metals trading entity. ICAC Arbitration in Moscow and parallel court proceedings in the UK and Tajikistan
- representing purchaser in post-acquisition disputes in connection with sale of an oil refinery in the Ukraine. LCIA Arbitration, London
- representing Saudi investors in connection with expropriation of their investment in an agricultural business in Egypt by the Egyptian authorities