



Peter Turner KC

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Peter Turner KC has over 30 years' experience as an advocate, primarily in arbitrations but also in court. He also sits as an arbitrator.

Peter's practice comprises investment-treaty arbitration (under the ICSID and UNCITRAL Rules and *ad hoc*, including administered by the Permanent Court of Arbitration), other matters involving issues of public international law, and complex and high-value commercial disputes, including post-M&A disputes and construction and engineering cases. His industry experience covers a wide range, from energy (including nuclear and renewable energy) to financial services and banking, from ground-handling at airports to manufacturing.

Peter takes matters under any governing law and conducts cases in English and French.

Peter taught international arbitration at Sciences Po in Paris for many years and is the co-author of *A Guide to LCIA Arbitration*.

Areas of expertise

ADR, acting as arbitrator

Public International Law

Construction and Engineering

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- ***Representing the owner in a dispute relating to the construction of a mixed residential and commercial development, DIAC Rules, UAE law, seat Dubai. Value of claim, c AED 5.7 bn, counterclaim AED 5.8 bn.*** This dispute arose out of a dispute under a contract to develop a new city quarter in the Gulf, involving issues of delay, planning and engineering.

- *Representing a consortium of contractors in a dispute relating to the construction of an airport terminal, DIAC Rules, UAE law, seat Dubai. Value c AED 1.5 bn.* A dispute arising out of the contract to build an airport terminal in the Middle East, involving complex issues of contract construction and delay and disruption.
- *Advising the owner in a dispute relating to the construction of an extension to a light railway, DIAC Rules, UAE law, seat Dubai. Value c €150m.* Preparing detailed advice on the contractor's claims for delay and disruption as notified to the owner but before the arbitration had begun and advising on settlement negotiations.
- *Representing a Consortium composed of a Japanese and a South Korean company in an expert determination and arbitration against an Algerian company, ICC Rules, Algerian law, English and French language, seat Geneva. Value c USD 500m* - A dispute arising out of the contract to build the largest fertiliser plant in Africa, involving technical and construction-related issues as well as complex questions of Algerian law (the governing the contract) and Swiss law (the law of the seat), the latter including questions of the extension of the arbitration clause and the law governing the validity of an expert determination.
- *Representing the contractor in a dispute relating to the construction of a nuclear power station in Europe, ICC Rules, a European law, Stockholm seat. Value c €3 bn.* This dispute arose out of the construction of a large nuclear power station and involved in particular dealing with very complex disruption claims and how to deal with the refusal of the nominated body to conduct adjudication of claims before arbitration.

Recommendations

- "Peter has very good manners and he is a good strategic thinker, I only have positive comments about him." Chambers Global (Europe-Wide) 2024 - Arbitration (International) client, Europe.
- "He is creative, persuasive and demonstrates uniformly strong judgement." Chambers Global (Europe-Wide) 2023 - Arbitration (International) client, Europe.
- "He is an enormously skilled advocate, calm under pressure, and controls the room when before the arbitration panel." Chambers Global (Europe-Wide) 2023 - Arbitration (International) client. Europe.
- "He has provided very helpful advice in terms of French enforcement and other various approaches that we are taking. Overall, he was also excellent on the preparation." Chambers Europe (France) 2023 - Arbitration (International) client, Europe
- "Peter Turner KC is an enormously skilled advocate. He is calm under pressure and controls the room when before the arbitration panel. He is creative, persuasive, and demonstrates uniformly strong judgement." Chambers Europe (France) 2023 - Arbitration (International) client, Europe.
- "He is praised by sources for his ability to grasp the most complex topics with ease." Chambers Europe (France) 023 - Arbitration (International) client, Europe.
- "Peter Turner KC is a longstanding figure in the French market and has a wealth of experience advising clients on investment and commercial cases."
- "Prominent European corporates from the construction, energy and manufacturing sectors mandate Peter Turner KC for his longstanding experience in the handling of post-M&A arbitrations under ICC rules. He also assists with ECT claims, distribution disputes and enforcement proceedings.

Rankings

- **Chambers Europe** (France) 2023 & 2024 - International Arbitration, Band 2
- **Chambers Global** (Europe-Wide) 2023 & 2024 - International Arbitration, Band 3
- **Legal 500**: Hall of Fame 2024 - Dispute Resolution: International Arbitration (France)

- **Legal 500:** Mentioned for Arbitration in Private Practice Power List 2023 (France)
- **ODA Classement:** 4 Stars for Arbitration International in 2023 (France)
- **Who's Who Legal:** Recommended for Arbitration in Global Guide in 2023 & 2024 (France)
- **Who's Who Legal:** Thought Leader for Arbitration in National Guide in 2024 (France)

Memberships

Qualifications

Education

- BA(Law) Cambridge University 1984, MA 1987
- Solicitor (England & Wales) 1987
- King's Counsel 2015
- *Avocat à la Cour d'appel de Paris* 2016

Additional information

Languages

- English (mother tongue)
- French
- German

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