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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Amani Khalifa is an arbitration specialist. As counsel, she spends a significant portion of her time prosecuting and defending building and engineering claims as well as handling cases involving maritime, telecom, foreign investment and oil and gas claims. She also sits as arbitrator.

Ms. Khalifa has significant experience of numerous institutional rules including the rules of the International Centre for the Settlement of Investment Disputes, the International Chamber of Commerce, the Dubai International Arbitration Centre, the London Court of International Arbitration, the London Maritime Arbitrators Association, and the Cairo Regional Centre for International Commercial Arbitration.

Ms. Khalifa is a CEDR accredited mediator. She regularly leads graduate seminars in ADR and is a teaching assistant on the international commercial arbitration course at the American University in Cairo.

BAR MEMBERSHIP

Ms. Khalifa is qualified to practice in Egypt, England and Wales and New York State.

EDUCATION

Ms. Khalifa read law at Downing College, Cambridge.

LANGUAGES

Ms. Khalifa is fluent in Arabic and English and speaks conversational French.

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Ms. Khalifa is a member of the Executive Board of the International Bar Association's Arbitration 40 Committee. She is also a member of the ICC's Young Arbitration Forum Regional Coordinating Committee and a member and sometime Middle East Representative of the LCIA's Young International Arbitration Group.

CONCENTRATION AREAS

Construction

Ms. Khalifa has handled several large and complex disputes in the construction industry relating to projects throughout the Middle East and involving major real-estate developments for housing, retail, education, leisure, airfields and radar stations.

Maritime

Ms. Khalifa regularly represents ship owners, charterers, P&I Clubs and shipping agents in charterparty disputes and disputes involving the carriage of goods by sea, shipping agency, management and brokerage disputes.

Foreign Investment

Ms. Khalifa has experience representing governments and investors on numerous foreign investment claims including the energy, construction and tourism industries.

Telecommunications

Ms. Khalifa has worked on commercial and regulatory telecommunications disputes in the fixed and mobile line and internet sectors, including in respect of infrastructure, interconnection and access issues.

SAMPLE OF RECENT CASES

- Sole arbitrator in a DIAC arbitration involving a contractual dispute which arose from the construction of a major residential and commercial real estate development.
- Sole arbitrator in a CRCICA arbitration involving a contractual dispute between a large international tour operator and a Middle Eastern media company.
- Co-arbitrator in a CRCICA arbitration involving a dispute arising from the construction of a gypsum factory.
- Acting for an international building consortium in a USD 230 Million construction arbitration under a FIDIC form contract against a Saudi employer, involving office, residential and retail properties
- Acting for a Korean building consortium in mediation proceedings against an American institutional employer in a USD 200 Million educational development.
- Acting for a Middle Eastern government instrumentality in a USD 60 Million institutional arbitration against a major US aerospace contractor, involving breach of a contract for the upgrade of national radar systems

- Acting for Spanish investors in the cement industry against the Arab Republic of Egypt in ICSID proceedings in a dispute involving denial of protection under a bilateral investment treaty.
- Acting for a major Middle Eastern contractor in a construction arbitration under a FIDIC form contract against an Egyptian employer involving the finishing works for a hotel.
- Acting for a US contractor on a delay and disruption claims submitted to arbitration in respect of a major construction project in Afghanistan.
- Acting for a large Egyptian engineering company operating in the petroleum industry against a Middle Eastern vessel owner in an LMAA arbitration involving claims under a charterparty.
- Acting for an Egyptian state-owned entity in London-based UNCITRAL proceedings involving breach of contract claims relating to the privatisation of a large industrial facility.
- Acting for a Ukrainian state agency against a Middle-Eastern state agency in a dispute arising out of a construction and technology transfer agreement in the space industry.
- Acting for a Finnish chemical producer against in a case involving the termination and breach of a brokerage agreement.
- Acting for a global maritime agency against a global liner in various LMAA London-based maritime arbitrations involving breach of contract claims.
- Acting for the Arab Republic of Egypt in a multi-billion dollar dispute involving the long-term cross-border sale and transmission of gas to the Israel Electric Corporation.
- Acting for a major Middle Eastern investor in a multi-billion dollar dispute concerning the control of global assets.
- Acting for France Telecom in USD 800 Million ICC arbitration against ORASCOM Telecommunications Holding on claims under a joint venture agreement relating to the operation of the contractual deadlock mechanism.
- Acting for a Middle Eastern oil and gas operator in USD 200 Million dispute against the instrumentalities of the Arab Republic of Egypt, for breach of the terms of a concession agreement and related gas sale agreement
- Acting for a French industrial giant on two arbitrations involving breach of contract claims under related but distinct supply and distribution agreements
- Acting for a Middle Eastern contractor against an Egyptian employer on delay and disruption claims arising from a series of large residential developments.
- Acting for a major regional oil and gas operator in USD 50 Million dispute against a leading American oil service contractor involving the wrongful termination of various service and agency agreements
- Acting for a Canadian chemicals manufacturer against a Middle-Eastern government instrumentality in a dispute involving breach of a long-term gas sale agreement.
- Acting for a major global operator in an institutional arbitration involving the wrongful termination of a hotel management agreement.
- Acting for a leading Swiss hotel management company in breach of contract claims against a Middle Eastern owner