

International Arbitration and Related Litigation

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MoloLamken has developed an excellent reputation for skillful advocacy in arbitrations and U.S. litigation attendant to them.

Our attorneys have substantial experience conducting arbitrations before all the leading arbitration institutions, including the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC), the London Court of International Arbitration (LCIA), the American Arbitration Association (AAA and AAA/ICDR), the Dubai International Arbitration Centre (DIAC), the Swiss Chambers' Arbitration Institution (SCAI), and the International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID). We also have extensive experience with ad hoc arbitrations, including under the rules of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL), and in industry-specific forums such as the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA) and the Chicago Mercantile Exchange (CME).

"Technically and legally excellent."

Who's Who Arbitration



In addition to representing our clients in international arbitrations, we are often retained to act in complex U.S. litigation proceedings in support of arbitration. These include proceedings to enforce or vacate arbitral awards, to secure urgent interim relief, or to obtain discovery in support of foreign arbitrations. Our first-rate litigation capabilities are routinely ranked among the very best in the United States by the leading legal directories.

Our practice is worldwide. We routinely act in arbitrations seated outside the United States. We represent clients based throughout the world, including in Europe, Latin America, the Middle East, Asia, and Sub-Saharan Africa (both Francophone and Anglophone).

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Multi-Talented Team

Our team includes bilingual attorneys capable of working in multiple languages. We have common law and civil law experience, as well as public international law expertise. We have developed comprehensive knowledge of sovereign immunity issues while acting for or against sovereign states and state-owned entities. For cases involving allegations of fraud, we draw on the experience of other MoloLamken attorneys, including former federal and state prosecutors, whose primary focus is white-collar crime and investigations.

We combine practical experience with deep knowledge of the law. Our lawyers regularly publish and lecture on arbitration and related topics. One of our colleagues holds a permanent academic appointment at Queen Mary University of London, where he is a director of an LL.M. program in international arbitration.

We are passionate about developing and refining our skills as advocates. Our associates – almost immediately upon joining us – spend ten days attending a rigorous off-site advocacy course. Several of our partners teach in leading advocacy training programs.

Agile and Scalable

By choice, we do not operate in a formal network binding us to other foreign lawyers or firms. Instead, we retain the flexibility to work with individuals and firms most appropriate to our clients' specific needs.

We are able to act as co-counsel alongside non-U.S. law firms, and we frequently do so. We are also often retained to lead multi-jurisdictional legal teams on a single case.

For public international law and treaty cases, our extensive connections with academia in the United States and abroad allow us to integrate world-renowned legal scholars within the team, creating bespoke representation of the highest caliber.

"Known for taking on bet-the-farm cases."

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Insider Knowledge

In addition to our experience as advocates, we bring to bear experience as an arbitrator (sole, co-arbitrator, or presiding), including in emergency and expedited proceedings. One of our attorneys formerly served in leadership positions at the secretariat of one of the world's leading arbitration institutions, overseeing hundreds of international arbitrations worldwide. As a result, we understand how arbitrators approach matters.

We use this firsthand knowledge to assist our clients in formulating strategies capable of delivering optimal results.

"Partners bill at similar rates to other top-tier firms, but one sees cost-savings since the associates are of a much higher caliber and therefore much more productive."

Benchmark Litigation



Transparency and Economic Alignment

Many of our international arbitration clients disfavor hourly rates. Unlike most international law firms, we do too. We favor fee agreements that align our interests with those of our clients. We use a variety of approaches including full contingency, partial contingency with reduced hourly billing, and flat fees with bonus payments. When we do bill on an hourly basis, clients benefit from our experience and efficient work-style.

We are open to other structures that promote transparency and efficiency while rewarding success. Having excellent relationships with third-party litigation funders, we can also advise on the availability of third-party funding and assist with applications. www.mololamken.com

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