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## Serle Court Arbitrators

Serle Court's Arbitrators have extensive experience in commercial and chancery law and are involved in both international and domestic arbitrations. They appreciate the importance of dealing with matters fairly and expeditiously, and they only accept appointments where they have sufficient time to prepare fully for any hearings and deliver an award promptly. Serle Court is a corporate member of the ICC and LCIA.

Please contact our Arbitration Clerk, Felicity Wall, to discuss your requirements.

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## **Patrick Talbot KC**

Patrick is a senior KC with wide experience of commercial disputes and agreements, including partnership, insurance and company disputes, professional negligence claims, international and English trust disputes and sports-related commercial issues, including broadcasting and sponsorship contracts and transfer fee disputes. He was a Lieutenant-Bailiff (Judge) of the Royal Court of Guernsey for 20 years from 2000 and a “specialist jurisdiction” recorder. Patrick has been a bencher of Lincoln’s Inn since 1996. Patrick was accredited as a mediator by CEDR in August 2004.



## **Kuldip Singh KC**

Kuldip has some 30 years of experience sitting as an arbitrator and over 35 years of experience acting as counsel in arbitrations. He is on the panel of arbitrators for various institutions, including the LCIA and the Court of Arbitration for Art, and has sat as an arbitrator in various ad hoc arbitrations. Kuldip has advised or acted as counsel in arbitrations under the rules of various institutions, including the ICC, UNCITRAL, LCIA, and LCIA-DIFC. He has acted as arbitrator or counsel in domestic or international arbitrations in the following areas of his practice: commercial disputes; energy disputes (including oil and gas); company disputes; shareholder disputes; joint venture disputes; professional negligence disputes; financial services disputes; regulatory disputes; and sports disputes.



## **Dominic Dowley KC**

Dominic has sat as an arbitrator on LCIA and ad hoc arbitrations in a variety of commercial disputes. He has also acted as counsel in numerous arbitrations and has a wide knowledge of the rules and practices of the major arbitration providers. Dominic Dowley KC is a highly-regarded commercial and contentious chancery silk with a wide and lengthy experience (both as a silk and formerly as a junior) of chancery and commercial litigation, including extensive experience of civil fraud litigation, contentious trusts, banking and financial services (including regulation), commercial litigation/arbitration.



## **Conor Quigley KC**

Conor Quigley KC is an expert in EU State aid and foreign subsidies law. He is registered as an arbitrator with the Shanghai International Arbitration Center and has acted as a sole arbitrator appointed by IATA in a dispute involving a leading airline and a European airport concerning airport fees. Conor has in recent years developed a significant practice as an expert witness on State aid/subsidy disputes, particularly involving challenges under the Energy Charter Treaty relating to the reduction of subsidies for solar energy production. He has also been instructed by the Greek Government in a recent major arbitration.



## **Philip Marshall KC**

Philip has sat as an arbitrator for the LCIA and on ad hoc arbitrations. These have covered a range of disputes including issues arising from oil and gas production, financial instruments and art purchases. He also has significant experience in running a tribunal from his work as a deputy High Court Judge in the Chancery and Queen's Bench Divisions of the High Court. His arbitration practice as an advocate has also made him highly familiar with the rules and practice of all major international arbitration providers. Philip is ranked as a leading silk in The Legal 500, International arbitration: counsel.



## **Philip Jones KC**

Philip has been appointed arbitrator on numerous occasions, not just ad hoc arbitrations but also LCIA and BVI IAC arbitrations. He was named by Chambers and Partners 2023 as one of its 21 Stars at the Bar. He was ranked in 9 different practice areas Chancery Commercial (Tier 1), Company (Tier 1), Partnership (Tier 1), Offshore (Tier 1), Commercial Dispute Resolution (Tier 2), Civil Fraud (Tier 2), Restructuring and Insolvency (Tier 2), Tax (Tier 2), Professional Negligence (Tier 3). He has particular expertise in acting as arbitrator in disputes relating to partnerships, joint ventures and shareholders. He has ceased taking on new advocacy instructions and can devote time to acting as arbitrator.



## **Lance Ashworth KC**

Lance practices in commercial, chancery (including company and director disputes) and restructuring/insolvency. He has appeared as Counsel in LCIA and Electricity Arbitration Association arbitrations, involving international and domestic clients. He is regularly instructed by Big 4 accountancy firms to provide legal opinions to (non-lawyer) arbitrators and expert determiners, where each party has instructed its own lawyers to make legal submissions. He sat for 6 years as a Deputy High Court Judge in the Chancery Division and has many years of experience of running a tribunal. He has undertaken a number of highly confidential internal investigations for firms of solicitors.



## **David Casement KC FCI Arb**

David Casement KC FCI Arb is a silk specialising in chancery and commercial litigation. He is regularly instructed in large-scale disputes involving company, LLP and partnership disputes advising and representing companies, directors, shareholders, members and partners. He covers the full range of commercial litigation such as banking, finance and securities and professional negligence. David has acted for claimants and defendants in commercial fraud litigation and asset tracing across multiple jurisdictions. David has also represented trustees and beneficiaries in trust litigation including the liability of trustees and obtaining information regarding assets and the terms of settlements.





## John Machell KC

John has a broad commercial chancery practice, and particular experience of large-scale litigation involving trusts, fiduciary duties, and fraud and trusts, particularly with an international dimension. John is regarded as one of the leading partnership and LLP silks and has experience of a wide range of both contentious and non-contentious matters across the whole range of business sectors. John acts as an arbitrator and as an expert pursuant to expert determination agreements. As a member of the Football Premier League Panel, John sat as the chair of an inquiry into Hull City's ticketing policy. John has conducted internal inquiries on professional conduct and other matters for firms of solicitors.



## Rupert Reed KC

Rupert acts as leading counsel in high-value disputes before the English and DIFC Courts and in arbitrations seated in London and the UAE. He also sits as sole arbitrator and co-arbitrator in arbitrations seated in London and the wider Gulf region. He has experience of most institutional rules, but acts primarily in arbitral proceedings under the DIFC-LCIA, LCIA and DIAC Rules. He further has significant experience of appearing in the DIFC Courts in applications made to those Courts acting in their supporting and supervisory jurisdictions. His principal legal areas of practice are commercial, company, trusts, banking and finance, real property and related civil fraud. He has experience of cases from most economic sectors in the GCC with a particular focus on banking, insurance, leisure, energy, defence, healthcare and property development. He has a working knowledge not only of Arabic but also of Arab civil law and Islamic law which often inform the applicable law in disputes on which he has worked. He is the co-editor on the leading text on DIFC Law, the 'DIFC Courts Practice', and has served on the DIAC Rules Task Force and DIFC Court's Arbitration Working Group. In March 2023, he was appointed as one of the thirteen members of the DIAC Court.



## Zoe O'Sullivan KC

Zoe has been appointed as an arbitrator in more than 30 international commercial arbitrations. She is regularly appointed by institutions, parties and co-arbitrators as a sole, presiding and co-arbitrator in arbitrations under the ICC, LCIA and UNCITRAL rules. She is on the panels of SIAC and the BVI International Arbitration Centre and on the HKIAC's List of Arbitrators. She is particularly comfortable with complex disputes involving technical expert evidence, foreign law and accounting evidence (including valuation techniques). Zoe has dual British and Irish nationality.



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# Meet the team



## Andrew Moran KC

Andrew's practice covers a broad range of work from contentious trusts, through what may be conveniently described as general commercial work and civil fraud, to professional indemnity insurance work of various sorts. The bulk of his work tends to fall under the heading of general commercial arbitration and litigation with an emphasis on civil fraud. A significant proportion of his work originates overseas, in particular from the USA, the Isle of Man, the Channel Islands and various Caribbean jurisdictions. He has a particular interest in the jurisdictional aspects of civil fraud. Andrew is described by the legal directories as, "*a wonderful legal brain*" and "*extraordinarily smart and tactical; delightful to work with and hugely admired*". Andrew is the author of: "Commercial Litigation in Anglophone Africa" (Juta Press, 2018; 2nd edition June 2022).



## Julian Burling

Previously Counsel to Lloyd's, 1995 to 2010, dealing with most aspects of participation in the Lloyd's insurance market, including insurance, reinsurance, underwriting agency agreements, binding authorities, insurance intermediaries, FSMA and overseas insurance regulation, regulatory trusts, and insolvency. Solicitors Group, Lloyd's, 1985-1995 (General Manager 1992-1995). Practice at Commercial Bar 1978-1985, 2011 to date, including arbitration of reinsurance disputes. FCI Arb, member of the ARIAS (UK) arbitration panel, and Member of Lloyd's Arbitration Scheme panel Tiers 1 and 2.



## James Behrens

James has been a chartered arbitrator since 2001. He has had over 100 appointments as arbitrator, including over 50 cases concerning the computer and telecommunications business. Others include partnerships, landlord and tenant and other real property disputes, sale of goods, and financial services. He also acts as barrister in commercial and property arbitrations. He is very experienced in case management, having served as deputy chancery master, recorder and chancellor. His approach to arbitrations is both commercial and flexible.





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## Jennifer Haywood FCIArb

Jennifer is a fellow of CIArb and has experience of arbitrating domestic and international disputes in sectors including media, pharmaceuticals, professional services, property and finance. She has been appointed as sole arbitrator, co-arbitrator and chair, and she now practises full time as an arbitrator and mediator. She is able to draw on her background in life science and her experience as counsel, particularly her experience of disputes between members of partnerships/LLPs, companies and joint ventures; trusts disputes; and contractual disputes, especially those involving allegations of fraud and/or breach of fiduciary duty and/or breach of a duty of good faith.



## Brigitte Lindner

Brigitte has worked in copyright for over 30 years, both inhouse and in private practice in England, France and Germany. Dual qualified as a barrister and a German Rechtsanwältin, she specialises in international, EU and comparative copyright law and is particularly conversant with music and film industry practices. Having been involved in arbitration more generally earlier in her legal career, Brigitte brings her specific copyright expertise as co-arbitrator to ad hoc arbitration in cross-border disputes. Brigitte is a national of Germany and capable of handling disputes in English, German and French.



## Wilson Leung FCIArb FHKIArb

Wilson is a dual-qualified barrister practising in both England and Hong Kong, with over 14 years of experience. He focuses on complex commercial and chancery litigation, with a specific focus on company, insolvency, contract, trusts, probate, and banking disputes. He is recommended as a leading commercial junior in Chambers & Partners, Legal 500, and Who's Who Legal. Wilson has appeared as advocate in some of the most high-profile cases in Hong Kong. He is a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and a Fellow of the Hong Kong Institute of Arbitrators. He also holds the Diploma in International Commercial Arbitration from CIArb. He has particular experience with the HKIAC, UNCITRAL and LCIA rules. He is also an accredited mediator.



## Serle Share

'The New DIFC-LCIA Rules 2021: A Drive to Efficiency'  
*Zoe O'Sullivan KC*



'An Arbitrator's Duty of Impartiality'  
*Anthony Kennedy*



'How to Determine the Proper Law of an Arbitration Agreement'  
*Andrew Moran KC & Anthony Kennedy*



## The Global Legal Post

'The ICC's new rules: late to the party, but welcome as tools to ensure efficient and fair process'  
*Zoe O'Sullivan KC and Tim Benham-Mirando*



## CDR Magazine

'Diversity of arbitrator appointments: are the parties doing enough?'  
*Zoe O'Sullivan KC*



For more information about Serle Court's arbitration practice, please contact our Arbitration Clerk, Felicity Wall at [fwall@serlecourt.co.uk](mailto:fwall@serlecourt.co.uk).



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