

Nathan Searle

Partner

London

Biography

Nathan Searle is a partner in our international arbitration group, acting for large multinationals in complex and high-value international arbitrations and cross-border disputes. He has extensive experience in African related disputes and coordinates the firm's disputes practice in the region. Nathan also has experience in other emerging markets including Asia, India, Russia and the CIS.

Nathan is appointed to the LCIA African Users Council as councillor, a co-chair of the LCIA's Young International Arbitration Group (YIAG) and is a member of the Advisory Board for the Association of Young Arbitrators (AYA).

Nathan has higher rights of audience in the English courts and regularly appears as an advocate in international arbitrations. He also advises clients on risk management and strategies to avoid or resolve disputes at an early stage.

Representative experience

Acting for a West African Central Bank in a high value LCIA arbitration against a West African communications company in relation to a technology project.

Acting for a West African company in an LCIA Arbitration against a South African multi-national arising from a telecommunications joint venture in West Africa.



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Languages

English

Practices

Commercial Litigation
Corporate and Securities Litigation
Energy Disputes
International Arbitration
Litigation Services
Technology Litigation
IP Litigation, Arbitration, and
Alternative Dispute Resolution

Industries

Automotive

Acting for an international energy company in an LCIA arbitration relating to provision of technical services for a hydro-power project in West Africa.

Acting for two international banks in three arbitrations (one LCIA and two ICC) arising from secured commodities transaction in East Africa.

Acting for a global beverage company in four arbitrations (under the ICC and LCIA Rules) and injunction proceedings, regarding joint venture disputes in East Africa.

Acting for an Asian multinational in a complex and high-value ICC arbitration seated in London against a European multinational concerning a joint venture dispute.

Acting for an international bank in 16 parallel LCIA arbitrations and related injunction proceedings regarding an ISDA swap transaction, a series of loans and guarantees.

Acting for a South East Asian State in an LCIA Arbitration against a European multinational regarding a multi-million dollar dispute arising from a services contract.

Acting for an investor in an LCIA arbitration regarding a shareholders' dispute concerning an Eastern European technology business including proceedings in Cyprus.

Acting for an international telecommunications company against another global telecommunications company in an ICC arbitration seated in London.

Acting for an Asian multinational against an Indian airline in an UNCITRAL arbitration concerning a supply contract including obtaining an injunction in the Indian courts.

Awards and rankings

- Named in the International Arbitration Power List, *Legal 500*, 2019
- Acritas Star, *Acritas Stars Independently Rated Lawyers*, 2019-2020

Consumer
Diversified Industrials
Energy and Natural Resources
Financial Institutions
Technology and Telecoms

Areas of focus

Alternative Dispute Resolution
Food and Beverages
Mining and Resources
Oil and Gas: Exploration and Production
Power: Renewable Power

Education and admissions

Education

Bachelor of Laws (Honours), Bond University
Bachelor of Commerce (major in Accounting), Bond University

Memberships

Co-Chair LCIA Young International Arbitration Group
Councillor LCIA African Users Council
ICC Young Arbitrators Forum
Advisory Board Member of African Arbitration
Advisory Board Member of the Association of Young Arbitrators Nigeria

- Future Leader: Arbitration, *Who's Who Legal*, 2019 & 2021
- Notable Practitioner: Africa-wide Dispute Resolution, *Chambers Global*, 2018
- International Arbitration - Next Generation Lawyer, *Legal 500 UK*, 2018

Bar admissions and qualifications

Solicitor, New South Wales

Solicitor, England and Wales

Latest thinking and events

- Press Releases
 - Hogan Lovells and Addison Bright Sloane successfully represent Bank of Ghana in dismissal of US\$478 million claim by Sibton Switch Systems Ltd
- Webinar
 - Building resilience into your tech strategy
- Press Releases
 - Hogan Lovells showcases commitment to capacity building on continent by sponsoring NBA-YLF Arbitration Challenge
- News
 - Cardinal duty – UK Supreme Court clarifies arbitrators' obligations of impartiality and disclosure
- News
 - Halliburton v Chubb: UK Supreme Court clarifies the position on arbitrators' duties
- Hogan Lovells Publications
 - New LCIA Arbitration Rules 2020 may affect your mining and commodities contracts