

Ben Hornan

Partner

London

Biography

A partner in Hogan Lovells' international arbitration team based in London, Ben represents clients on complex, high value, cross-border disputes. Ben focuses on the oil & gas, mining & commodities, life-sciences, and financial services sectors. Ben has particular experience of arbitrations involving Russia and the CIS region, as well as Asia and Africa.

Over the years, Ben has handled numerous arbitration proceedings under the ICC, LCIA, SIAC, HKIAC, UNCITRAL and other sets of arbitral rules. This has included arbitrations seated not only in London but in several other jurisdictions too – from Singapore to Istanbul.

Ben has also been involved in national court proceedings in relation to all aspects of the arbitration process – including jurisdiction challenges, applications for injunctions, and the enforcement of awards – in several jurisdictions, including England, Cyprus, the Cayman Islands and the British Virgin Islands.

An experienced advocate, Ben conducts advocacy and cross-examination at all stages of the arbitration process. Ben also has full rights of audience for civil matters at all levels of the English courts.

Ben is known for being hard-working, determined and highly commercial. He comes recommended by Legal



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Practices

Commercial Litigation

Corporate and Securities Litigation

Energy Disputes

International Arbitration

Litigation Services

IP Litigation, Arbitration, and
Alternative Dispute Resolution

Industries

Aerospace and Defense

Diversified Industrials

Energy and Natural Resources

Life Sciences and Health Care

500 (2019, 2020 and 2021 editions) as being an “excellent lawyer”, “dynamic”, and having “real arbitration experience and expertise”. One client testimonial singled out Ben's “thorough knowledge of the arbitration process and ability to navigate and manage highly complex matters...combined with an impressive sense of commercial realities and practicalities”.

Representative experience

Acting for a global energy and petrochemicals company in an ICC arbitration in connection with the sale of crude oil in Gabon.

Acting for a major international brewer in an ICC arbitration in connection with a joint venture dispute in Kenya.

Advising a major Indonesian energy company regarding the price review provisions in several multi-million dollar contracts for the supply of liquefied natural gas.

Advising a major Chinese energy company in relation to the price provisions in long term crude oil supply contracts with two Russian counterparties.

Acting for a British Virgin Islands company in an LCIA arbitration against a Romanian company relating to an alumina supply contract.

Acting for a U.S. pharmaceutical company against its Spanish distributor in an ICC arbitration arising out of a contract governed by Pennsylvanian law.

Acting for an international steel trading company in an LCIA arbitration against a Portuguese purchaser.

Acting for a leading aircraft manufacturer in a dispute with an Indian freighter airline.

Advising a leading U.S. food manufacturer in a joint venture dispute with its Italian joint venture partner.

Real Estate

Technology and Telecoms

Areas of focus

Alternative Dispute Resolution

Mining and Resources

Oil and Gas: Exploration and Production

Oil and Gas: Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG)

Oil and Gas: Pipelines and Midstream Facilities

Oil and Gas: Supply, Marketing, and Trading

Pharmaceuticals and Biotechnology

Public International Law

Education and admissions

Education

LPC, BPP University Law School, Distinction, 2004

Graduate Diploma in Law, BPP University Law School, Commendation, 2003

B.A. History, University of Birmingham, First Class Honours, 2002

Acting for a global manufacturer of generic and speciality pharmaceutical products in a potential arbitration alleging regulatory and contractual breaches following divestiture of certain products.

Advising a major European pharmaceuticals company in relation to a number of commercial disputes arising from non-compliances by its supply chain with relevant mandatory regulations.

Awards and rankings

- Lawdragon Global Litigation 500 - Ben was named in the following categories: International Arbitration & Litigation, 2021
- Legal 500 - Ben was named in the following categories: International Arbitration & Oil and Gas, 2021
- Legal 500 - Ben was named in the following categories: International Arbitration & Oil and Gas, 2020
- Legal 500 - Ben was named in the following categories: International Arbitration & Oil and Gas, 2019
- Ben was featured in Legal Week's profile on Rising stars: the new generation of litigators making their mark, 2016

Latest thinking and events

- News
 - The continuing obligation on arbitrators under the LCAM Arbitration Rules to make disclosures
- Published Works
 - Does an arbitration agreement protect a debtor from the threat of liquidation?
- Hogan Lovells Publications
 - Doing Business in the UK: Consumer Sector 2020
- Hogan Lovells Publications
 - In a world of economic change, supply chain

Bar admissions and qualifications

Solicitor, England and Wales

Accolades

"Hogan Lovells is first-rate for oil and gas work' according to one client who also describes Ben Hornan as an 'excellent lawyer'."

Legal 500 UK 2018 (Energy / Oil & Gas)

"Key figures include... Ben Hornan, who 'has real arbitration experience and expertise'."

Legal 500 UK 2018 (International Arbitration)

contracts are impacted *Diversified Industrials:
Horizons*

- Press Releases

- Hogan Lovells rings in the New Year with 30 promotions to partner and 47 promotions to counsel

- Hogan Lovells Publications

- Developments in financial services arbitration: Revision of the ISDA arbitration guide *International Arbitration Alert*