

George Harnett

Senior Associate

London

Biography

An experienced arbitration practitioner and advocate, George Harnett represents clients on complex, high value, cross-border disputes. George represents clients in commercial disputes in a range of sectors, including oil and gas, pharmaceuticals, medical technology and financial services. George also has particular experience of disputes involving the Dubai International Financial Centre.

George is a barrister and an experienced advocate. He conducts advocacy and cross-examination at all stages of the arbitration process. He has full rights of audience at all levels of the English courts and has rights of audience before the courts of the DIFC.

George has worked on numerous arbitration proceedings under the LCIA, ICC, HKIAC, UNCITRAL and other sets of arbitral rules. This has included arbitrations seated in Hong Kong, Paris and other jurisdictions as well as arbitrations seated in London.

George is known for being hard working and producing high quality advice, analysis and advocacy. He is particularly valued by clients for his deep engagement with their commercial objectives and his practical and commercial approach to finding solutions.

Representative experience



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Practices

Securities, Shareholder, and M&A
Litigation

International Arbitration

International Trade and Investment

Litigation Services

Technology Litigation

Industries

Energy and Natural Resources

Financial Institutions

Life Sciences and Health Care

Technology & Telecoms

Representing the claimant and its insurer as lead counsel in a Paris-seated ICC arbitration under the expedited procedure concerning unpaid invoices in a sale of goods contract.

Representing a medical device manufacturer as junior counsel in a London-seated LCIA arbitration concerning the development and marketing of an add-on medical technology product.

Representing a European pharmaceutical company in a London-seated LCIA arbitration and LCIA mediation concerning a distribution agreement for pharmaceuticals in North America.

Representing an investor as junior counsel in a London-seated LCIA arbitration concerning a complex share purchase dispute.

Representing a consultant in a Zurich-seated ICC arbitration in connection with a consultancy agreement supporting a major power construction project in the Middle East.

Representing a major gas importer in a Hong Kong-seated HKIAC arbitration concerning the long-term supply of LNG.

Acting for parties in a range of claims before the DIFC Courts.

Latest thinking and events

- Sponsorships and Speaking Engagements
 - ICC Annual Arbitration & ADR Conference – YAF Morning Webinar
- Published Works
 - Does an arbitration agreement protect a debtor from the threat of liquidation?

Areas of focus

Alternative Dispute Resolution

Corporate and Shareholder Litigation in Europe

Oil and Gas: Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG)

Oil and Gas: Supply, Marketing, and Trading

Product Distribution and Financial Institutions

Product Litigation

Education and admissions

Education

B.A. (Hons), University of Oxford, Balliol College

Graduate Diploma in Law, City, University of London

Bar Professional Training Course, City, University of London

Memberships

Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn

Bar admissions and qualifications

Barrister, England and Wales
