

# VIAC – Questionnaire for Arbitrators

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4. Current position:

Associate

5. Education:

Northwestern University School of Law, Chicago, IL (Juris Doctor (J.D.), *magna cum laude*, Order of the Coif, 2014);

Northwestern University School of Law, Chicago, IL (Master of Laws (LL.M) in International Human Rights, with honors, 2014);

University of Maryland, College Park, MD (Bachelor of Arts (B.A.), Criminology and Criminal Justice, *summa cum laude*, 2007)

6. Practiced experience in arbitration

- How many arbitrations have you participated in (domestic/international); under which Rules?

I have acted as counsel in approx. 10 international arbitration proceedings under, *inter alia*, the ICC, SCC, and Swiss Rules, seated in Vienna, Paris, London, Geneva, Zurich, and Stockholm and governed by English, Swiss, Italian, Greek, Iraqi, Brazilian and Algerian law

- How often have you acted as Chairman? None
- How often have you acted as Sole Arbitrator? None
- How often have you acted as Co-Arbitrator? None
- How often have you acted as Counsel? Approx. 10 proceedings
- How often have you acted in a different function (e.g. Administrative Secretary)? None

7. Publications and other activities in arbitration (e.g. training sessions, seminars, conferences, articles and others):

Books / Commentaries

- “Why Arbitrate International IP Disputes” in GLOBAL ARBITRATION REVIEW: THE GUIDE TO IP ARBITRATION, 1ST ED. (2021, J.V.H. Pierce and P. Gunter, eds.), co-author with David H. Herrington and Leila Mgaloblishvili

## Articles

- [“2020 Revision of the IBA Rules on the Taking of Evidence in International Arbitration,”](#) Cleary Gottlieb Alert Memo, February 17, 2021
- [“The Revised Swiss International Arbitration Act – Key Changes and Developments,”](#) Cleary Gottlieb Alert Memo, January 14, 2021
- [“International Arbitration in the Time of COVID-19: Navigating the Evolving Procedural Features and Practices of Leading Arbitral Institutions,”](#) Cleary Gottlieb Alert Memo, July 10, 2020
- [“U.S. District Court Denies Section 1782 Discovery for Use in DIS Arbitration, Highlighting Deepening Circuit Split on Statute’s Applicability to Private Commercial Arbitrations,”](#) Cleary Gottlieb Alert Memo, April 3, 2020
- “The Prague Rules and the Myth of a Civil Law Panacea,” *New York Dispute Resolution Lawyer*, Spring 2019, co-author with Ferdinando Emanuele, Carlo Santoro, and Ari D. MacKinnon
- [“U.S. Discovery in German Litigation – an Underestimated Option,”](#) Cleary Gottlieb Alert Memo, February 19, 2019
- [“The New United Arab Emirates Arbitration Law: A Step Toward Modernization with Continuing Uncertainties,”](#) Cleary Gottlieb Alert Memo, June 4, 2018
- “The New York Convention and Insolvency,” *Revista de Arbitragem e Mediação* (Brazil), June 2016, co-author with Richard Kreindler and Nicole Rothe

## Lectures

- U.S. Written & Oral Advocacy, Philipps University Marburg (Winter 2021)
- German & International Arbitration, Goethe University Frankfurt (Institute for Law and Finance) (Summer 2018)

## Other Selected Activities

- Gender Champion, DIS-ERA Pledge Gender Champion Initiative (2020-present)
- Arbitrator, Vis Moot Day, Cleary Gottlieb, Frankfurt (2016-present)
- Led multi-day client training seminar to in-house counsel on issues in international arbitration law, practice and selected issues

## **8. Membership in arbitral institutions / functions in arbitral institutions/organizations:**

- Swiss Arbitration Association (Association Suisse de l’Arbitrage – ASA) Below 40
- DIS40, German Arbitration Institute (Deutsche Institution für Schiedsgerichtsbarkeit – DIS)
- International Chamber of Commerce Young Arbitrators Forum (ICC YAF)
- Young International Arbitration Group (YIAG) of the London Court of International Arbitration

## **9. Languages**

Mother tongue: English

Working languages (i.e. languages in which you have both a spoken and written command so that you may conduct arbitral proceedings in this language): n/a (other: Romanian (passive proficiency))

**10. In which legal systems have you trained?**

- Civil Law
- Common Law
- Austrian Law
- Hungarian Law
- Swiss Law
- Czech Law
- Polish Law
- Ukrainian Law
- German Law
- Slovakian Law
- European Law
- Other: Public International Law

**11. What is your main jurisdiction of practice?**

International commercial arbitration seated in various global jurisdictions

**12. In which jurisdictions are you admitted to the bar?**

New York, U.S.A.

**13. Special expertise or specializations (please list a maximum of five):**

- Antitrust/Unfair competition
- Damages
- Insolvency
- Power plants
- Aviation
- Distribution
- Insurance
- Private Intern. Law
- Banking & Finance
- Domain name disputes
- Intellect. property (IP)
- Public Intern. Law
- Capital markets
- Employment
- ISDS/ Foreign invest.
- Real estate
- CISG
- Energy
- Joint ventures
- Shipping
- Civil fraud disputes
- Engineering
- Licensing
- Sports
- Commercial disp. / transactions
- Entertainment
- Life sciences
- State/Public contracts
- Commodity market
- Healthcare & Pharmac.
- Maritime arbitration
- Technology
- Company/Corporate/M&A
- Hotel/Gastro./Tour.
- Media
- Telecommunication
- Construction
- Inform. technology (IT)
- Mining
- Transport
- Contract law
- Infrastructure
- Natural resources
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

**14. Date of birth:** August 13, 1985

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