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Profile

Victor P. Leginsky, Canadian citizen, is an experienced international arbitrator and mediator resident in the United Arab **Emirates** since 2007. Victor has earned the internationallyrecognized designations of Chartered Arbitrator and Fellow from the **Chartered Institute of Arbitrators** and is appointed to the CIArb Panel of Arbitrators. Victor is a CEDR (Centre for Effective Dispute Resolution, London) accredited mediator and mediation experience as Chair, Manufactured Home Park **Dispute Resolution Committee** (Attorney General of British Columbia, Canada, appointment) and in mediations. Victor is appointed to the panels or lists of arbitrators in a number of international centres and is a committee member of the International Court of Arbitration (ICC) Canada. He has instructed, with Prof. Dr. Klaus Peter Berger, International Commercial Arbitration including Lex Mercatoria, UNIDROIT principles and CISG. He is the past Middle East Regional Director of the Association of International Petroleum Negotiators (AIPN). He is a member in good standing of the Law Society of British Columbia, Canada.

Current Position as Arbitration and Mediation Neutral

2007- Present – Arbitrator in over 100 cases, *Ad Hoc* & Institutional –International Chamber of Commerce International Court of Arbitration (ICC); *Ad hoc* UNCITRAL Rules; London Court of International Arbitration/Dubai Int'l Fin'l Centre (DIFC- LCIA); Dubai International Arbitration Centre (DIAC); Abu Dhabi Commercial Conciliation & Arbitration Center (ADCCAC); Asian International Arbitration Centre (AIAC)

- Arbitrated as Chair, Tribunal Member and Sole Arbitrator in complex contractual matters (including construction, real estate and energy)
- Acts only as neutral; no counsel work.
- Appointed Chair, Sole Arbitrator or Co-arbitrator in over 100 cases, a large proportion of which are high-value construction cases

PPP Experience

Public Private Partnership experience, including Sole Arbitrator in two large, complex cases, African government in partnership with private two party joint venture; construction projects with various forms of privately financed infrastructure.

Honours DIAC Gold Co-arbitrator Award, 2018

IAEE Outstanding Mediator of the Year Award 2018

Mediation Experience

CEDR Accredited Mediator (UK)

Construction Mediation, Doha, Qatar - 2015

Construction Conciliation, ADCCAC, Abu Dhabi, UAE - 2016

Mediation of complex construction matters

Trading companies mediation, Dubai, 2019

RICS Mediator and Expert Assessor

Assessment of Mediators and Experts for the **Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors**, **UK** for accreditation through their programmes.

CIArb Mediation Assessor

Assessment of Mediators for the **Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, UK,** for accreditation through their mediation programme

Chair, Manufactured Home Park Dispute Resolution

Committee 1998- 2002 Government of British Columbia Canada: Chair of a government mediation programme in the housing sector.

A D R Teaching Experience

Course Director, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators

Teaching International Arbitration under the UNCITRAL Rules

Tutor/Instructor, RICS Arbitration Course

Frequent Conference/ Seminar Speaker in Europe, Middle East and Asia on matters related to Arbitration and Mediation

Legal

Practice of Law and Arbitration

1995- 2007 Lawyer & Arbitrator Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada

- Practiced as both Barrister and Solicitor.
- Counsel in arbitrations, admin hearings & court for corporate clients.

Tribunal In-house Counsel

1994- 1995

Canada Labour Relations Board

Canada

- Counsel to a senior governmental board responsible to resolve national disputes in various sectors including air, rail and marine transportation.
- Conducting cases before Federal Court of Appeal on behalf of the Board.

Practice of Law and Arbitration

1984-1994

Lawyer & Arbitrator, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada

Academic

1971-1975

University of Alberta

Edmonton, Canada.

Bachelor of Education (B.Ed.).

1979-1982

University of Alberta

Edmonton, Canada

- J.D., or "Juris Doctor" degree
- Member in good standing, Law Society British Columbia

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Arbitration Experience

- 1. President of an ICC construction arbitration seated in London relating to construction of an energy-related facility in the UAE under an EPC/Turnkey FIDIC contract, with several delay events alleged (current);
- 2. Co-arbitrator in an *ad hoc* construction case seated in Qatar, EPICC form of contract, water treatment facilities; (current)
- 3. Co-arbitrator in an ICC case seated in Qatar alleging a need for re-balancing the pricing of gas delivered by a pipeline or non-payment for the gas (current);
- 4. Co-arbitrator in an ICC case concerning disputes in relation to a power generation facility in the Sultanate of Oman (current);
- 5. Sole arbitrator in an ICC case involving marine services to the oil and gas industry in the Middle East (current);
- 6. Co-arbitrator in a shareholder dispute under UAE/Dubai/DMCC law seated in Dubai with allegations of improper use of company funds and hostile take-over efforts (current);
- 7. Co-arbitrator in a DIAC case concerning alleged non-payment of consulting fees relating to an asphalt plant in Iraq (current);
- 8. Co-arbitrator in an Abu Dhabi *ad hoc* case involving non-payment allegations by a data sub-contractor in a construction case (current);
- 9. Sole arbitrator in a construction case re: two large projects in KSA, substantive law that of Saudi Arabia, administered by the Dubai International Arbitration Centre (DIAC) involving both construction and Intellectual Property issues;
- 10. Chairman, high-value construction case seated in Singapore administered by LCIA (current);
- 11. Chairman, QICCA case related to sponsorship agreement in Doha, Qatar (settled);
- 12. Chairman, QICCA high-value construction case in Doha, Qatar (current);
- 13. Co-arbitrator, high value DIAC-administered construction financing case between major master developer and financing entity;
- 14. Co-Arbitrator, Ad Hoc case between construction companies in Dubai, UAE; (current)
- 15. Co-Arbitrator, very high value ADCCAC-administered construction case in Abu Dhabi, UAE (current);
- 16. Co-arbitrator, DIAC-administered construction case relating to fit-out of a development;
- 17. Co-Arbitrator, very high value project financing case in Dubai; DIAC Rules;
- 18. Co-Arbitrator, Ad Hoc case between construction companies in Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (settled);
- 19. Chairman, DIAC case between construction companies in Dubai, UAE over alleged wrongful termination of construction contract; Dubai Courts took jurisdiction;
- 20. Chairman (President) in an ICC-administered Public Private Partnership (PPP) construction case in Abu Dhabi (settled)
- 21. Chairman, DIFC-LCIA high-value construction case over the design, construction, testing and commissioning of a hotel in the UAE.
- 22. Chairman, DIFC-LCIA share-purchase dispute between international parties;
- 23. Chairman, ICC case in Bahrain relating to the sale of shares in the industrial chemical industry;

- 24. Chairman, high-value construction claim administered by DIAC over the construction of a tower in the UAE:
- 25. Chairman, high-value DIAC construction case relating to breach of contract allegations in project involving several hundred villas;
- 26. Co-arbitrator, high value DIFC-LCIA construction case relating to a specialized construction package at an international airport involving four parties;
- 27. Sole Arbitrator, DIFC-LCIA, breach of contract case involving two companies in the travel industry, international third-party use of reservation systems;
- 28. Co-Arbitrator in a DIFC-LCIA case in regard to a matter sited in Iraq under the law of England & Wales, seated in DIFC (current);
- 29. Sole Arbitrator, ad hoc arbitration, Bahrain, MEP/ Air conditioning construction;
- 30. Chairman, DIAC construction-related arbitration seated in Dubai;
- 31. Chairman in an Abu Dhabi Centre for Conciliation and Arbitration (ADCCAC) administered case involving a broadcasting satellite services and telecommunication licensing dispute;
- 32. Co-arbitrator, 3-person Tribunal, in an ICC construction-related infrastructure arbitration in Doha;
- 33. Co-arbitrator in a large construction infrastructure case administered by Qatar International Centre for Conciliation and Arbitration (QICCA) seated in Doha;
- 34. Sole arbitrator, ICC construction case seated in Doha, Qatar relating to breach of construction subcontract (MEP);
- 35. Co-arbitrator, ICC construction case seated in Doha, Qatar relating to breach of infrastructure-related construction sub-contract with counterclaim; (current)
- 36. Co-arbitrator in a DIAC construction case relating to the construction of a hotel resort, delay (current);
- 37. Sole Arbitrator, ICC construction case MEP, seated in Doha;
- 38. Sole arbitrator in a DIFC-LCIA case between international companies for alleged breach of a loan agreement;
- 39. Co-arbitrator in a large construction case (post-tensioning and related works) administered Abu Dhabi Centre for Conciliation and Arbitration (ADCCAC) seated in Abu Dhabi;
- 40. Sole arbitrator in a construction case seated in Abu Dhabi, UAE, relating to breach of construction sub-contract administered by Abu Dhabi Centre for Conciliation and Arbitration (ADCCAC)
- 41. Co-arbitrator in a DIAC administered case relating to alleged breach of a contract for the sale of a plot of commercial land between two companies;
- 42. 43 Sole arbitrator in **two** high-value DIAC cases involving two parties in a joint-venture in a large project based in Africa;
- 44. Co-arbitrator in a high value (in excess of AED 100 million) construction matter with several technical issues as well as delay claims
- 45. Chairman, UNCITRAL Rules *ad hoc* case involving the Gulf branch of a UK company against an Asian state seated in the Asian state;
- 46. Co-Arbitrator; UNCITRAL Rules *ad hoc* case construction-related case seated in Qatar involving an African company and a Qatari company;
- 47. Co-arbitrator in a DIFC-LCIA case between an oil, gas and petrochemical services company and an energy infrastructure entity;

- 48. Co-arbitrator in a DIAC arbitration case involving failure to properly implement under a software agreement;
- 49. Sole arbitrator in a DIFC-LCIA arbitration related to a high-profile property development dispute in Dubai, UAE;
- 50. Chairman, high-value construction matter involving a large UAE hotel-entertainment complex;
- 51. Co-arbitrator, three person tribunal, in a dispute alleging a failure on the part of a real estate developer to hand over a property unit contrary to the contract and the UAE law;
- 52. Co-arbitrator, three person tribunal, in a dispute between two companies over the sale and purchase of eight property units contrary to the contract and the UAE law, with jurisdictional issues;
- 53. Sole arbitrator in a dispute alleging a failure on the part of two real estate developers to reimburse for a failure to hand over three property units contrary to the contract and the UAE law;
- 54. Co-arbitrator in a high-value UAE Abu Dhabi breach of contract case regarding the supply and infrastructure provision at certain plots of development land;
- 55. Sole Arbitrator in a UAE Abu Dhabi breach of contract case between two companies regarding honouring of a settlement deed in a construction-related matter;
- 56. Sole arbitrator in a dispute alleging a failure on the part of a real estate developer to hand over property units contrary to the contract and the UAE law;
- 57. Chairman of three-person tribunal in a UAE Abu Dhabi real estate breach of contract case between two companies regarding the provision of certain properties;
- 58. Chairman of three-person tribunal in a UAE real estate breach of contract case regarding the construction of a high value luxury villa, with a complex interim relief application;
- 59. Co-arbitrator, three person tribunal, in a dispute between two companies over the provision of land for re-development under the UAE law:
- 60. Co-arbitrator, three person tribunal, in a complex, high-value dispute between two companies over the provision of land for re-development under the UAE law (current);
- 61. Co-arbitrator, three person tribunal, in a dispute alleging a failure on the part of a real estate developer to hand over property units contrary to the contract and the UAE law, with complex corporate identity issues involved;
- 62. Sole arbitrator in a dispute alleging a failure on the part of a real estate developer to hand over property contrary to the contract and the UAE law, with a counter-claim for non-payment;
- 63. Sole arbitrator in a dispute alleging a failure on the part of a real estate developer to hand over property units contrary to the contract and the UAE law;
- 64. Co-arbitrator, three person tribunal, in a dispute alleging a failure on the part of a real estate developer to hand over property units contrary to the contract and the UAE law;
- 65. Co-arbitrator, three person tribunal, in a dispute alleging a failure on the part of a real estate developer to hand over property units contrary to the contract and the UAE law (current);
- 66. Co-arbitrator, three person tribunal, in a dispute alleging a failure on the part of a real estate developer to hand over property units contrary to the contract and the UAE law;
- 67. Chairman of three-person tribunal in a UAE real estate breach of contract case regarding both the sale and construction of a real estate property;
- 68. Chairman of three-person tribunal in a UAE real estate breach of contract case between two companies regarding the provision of seven properties;
- 69. Chairman of three-person tribunal in a UAE property breach of contract case regarding the provision of a large plot of industrial land for development;

- 70. Sole arbitrator in a dispute concerning the provision of a real estate property, with many complex jurisdictional issues;
- 71. Co-arbitrator, three person tribunal in a dispute alleging a failure on the part of one company to hand over six office units to another company;
- 72. –76. Chairman of three-person tribunals in respect of **five** related UAE real estate breach of contract cases involving lengthy leasing arrangements;
- 77. Chairman of three-person tribunal in a UAE real estate breach of contract case between two companies regarding the provision of a floor in an office tower;
- 78. Co-arbitrator in a Abu Dhabi Centre for Conciliation and Arbitration (ADCCAC) construction case in Abu Dhabi, UAE, relating to alleged breach of construction contract;
- 79. Sole arbitrator in a dispute between 2 companies concerning a project development agreement affecting industrial land in the UAE (settled by consent award);
- 80. Sole arbitrator in a dispute between two companies for the enforcement of a settlement agreement (settled by consent award);
- 81. Chairman of three-person tribunal in a UAE construction breach of contract case; arbitration through Dubai Courts being run as an *ad hoc* arbitration;
- 82. Co-arbitrator, three person Tribunal in breach of contract matter; failure to honour contract for sale of a business;
- 83. Sole Arbitrator in a real estate matter against a developer in the UAE for breach of contract and breach of real estate law in failing to honour an assignment and complete a number of properties as required by UAE law and under the terms of the contract;
- 84. Sole Arbitrator in a real estate matter against a developer in the UAE for breach of contract and breach of real estate law in failing to honour an assignment and complete a number of properties as required by UAE law and under the terms of the contract;
- 85. Sole Arbitrator in a leasehold interest purchase matter against a developer in the UAE for breach of contract in failing to provide a property as required under the terms of the contract;
- 86. Sole Arbitrator in a leasehold interest purchase matter against a developer in the UAE for breach of contract in failing to provide a property as required under the terms of the contract;
- 87. Sole Arbitrator in a leasehold interest purchase matter against a developer in the UAE for breach of contract in failing to provide a property as required under the terms of the contract;
- 88. Chairman of three person tribunal in a real estate matter against a developer in the UAE for breach of contract and breach of real estate law in failing to complete a property as required under the terms of the contract by UAE law;
- 89. Chairman of a three-person tribunal in a breach of contract case for architectural services (settled);
- 90. Sole arbitrator in a high value construction contract matter in the UAE relating to project delay, failure to execute and consequent loss of profit in several related projects;
- 91. Sole Arbitrator in a real estate matter against a developer in the UAE for breach of contract in failing to provide a property as required under the terms of the contract, and for consequent damages and loses for so failing to provide (settled by consent award);
- 92. Sole Arbitrator in a real estate matter against a developer in the UAE for breach of contract in failing to provide a property as required under the terms of the contract, and for consequent damages and loses for so failing to provide (settled by consent award);
- 93. Sole Arbitrator in a real estate matter against a developer in the UAE for breach of contract in failing to provide a property as required under the terms of the contract, and for consequent damages and loses for so failing to provide (settled by consent award);

- 94. Sole Arbitrator in a real estate matter against a developer in the UAE for breach of contract in failing to provide a property as required under the terms of the contract, and for consequent damages and loses for so failing to provide (settled by consent award);
- 95. Sole Arbitrator in a real estate matter against a developer in the UAE for breach of contract in failing to provide a property as required under the terms of the contract, and for consequent damages and loses for so failing to provide (settled by consent award);
- 96. Chairman of a three-person tribunal in a real estate matter against a developer in the UAE for breach of contract and breach of real estate law in failing to complete a property as required by UAE law and under the terms of the contract;
- 97. Chairman of three-person tribunal in UAE in a large breach of contract matter, failing to pay commission on sale of commercial and residential property;
- 98. Chairman of a three-person tribunal in a real estate matter against a developer in the UAE for breach of contract and breach of real estate law in failing to complete a property as required by UAE law and under the terms of the contract:
- 99. Sole Arbitrator in a real estate matter against both a broker and a developer in the UAE for breach of contract and breach of real estate law in failing to complete a property as required by UAE law and under the terms of the contract;
- 100. Sole Arbitrator in a real estate matter against both a real estate developer in the UAE for breach of contract and breach of real estate law in failing to complete a property as required by UAE law and under the terms of the contract;
- 101. Sole arbitrator in a breach of contract for services claim for provision of design services;
- 102. Member of three person tribunal in matter relating to sale of an apartment (settled);
- 103. Sole Arbitrator in a real estate matter against a developer in the UAE for breach of contract and breach of real estate law in failing to complete a property as required by UAE law and under the terms of the contract;
- 104. Sole Arbitrator in a real estate matter against a developer in the UAE for breach of contract and breach of real estate law in failing to complete a property as required by UAE law and under the terms of the contract;
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- 107. Arbitrator member of three-person tribunal in a real estate damages claim for construction failure in a property in the UAE;
- 108. Sole arbitrator in a real estate matter brought by a potential purchaser in the UAE upon the failure of the seller to complete the sale;
- 109. Chairman of three-person arbitration tribunal in a breach of a construction contract claim by a contractor relating to the supply of steel by the UAE branch of a Malaysian company;
- 110. Sole arbitrator in a breach of construction contract claim by a major master developer against two large contracting companies regarding a large development in UAE.