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Languages spoken

Arabic



About Dara

Dara Sahab is an associate in the International Dispute Resolution Practice Group based in Dubai.

Please note, Dara is currently on leave of absence working for the Saudi Centre for Commercial Arbitration in Saudi Arabia.

Dara advises on disputes in litigation and arbitration in commercial, construction and civil matters. She has advised clients in relation to US, UAE and KSA court proceedings, and international arbitration proceedings administered under different arbitration rules, including UNCITRAL, DIAC, ICC and LCIA.

Before joining the firm, Dara worked in a litigation boutique firm in Washington DC and at a leading international law firm in Dubai.

Experience

- Acting for an employer in ADCCAC arbitration proceedings against a contractor in relation to a construction project in the UAE.
- Acting for a European construction company in LCIA arbitration proceedings relating to the construction of a tram system in Qatar.
- Acting for a European company in an ICC commercial arbitration seated in the UAE relating to a large-scale infrastructure project in the Middle East.
- Serving as project counsel to an owner during the construction of an oil refinery in Egypt.
- Advising contractors on Saudi law in major construction projects in Saudi Arabia.
- Acted for a public company in a multimillion arbitration dispute with a developer.
- Assisted in providing foreign law advice to a foreign government in UK courts.
- Defended an international company in KSA court proceedings.
- Assisted in the representation of Saudi Arabian charities in multidistrict US litigation involving the Anti-Terrorism Act and other intentional torts.

Credentials

Education

- New York University School of Law, LL.M., 2016
- Dar Alhekma University, LL.B., First Class Honors, 2014

Admissions

- New York, 2017
- Saudi Arabia, 2017

Memberships & Affiliations

- Saudi Bar Association
- Former Chair, Scientific Committee, SCCA Arabic Commercial Arbitration Moot Court
- Former Part-time Lecturer and Coach, Willem C. Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot Court, Dar Alhekma University

Expertise

Services

- International Dispute Resolution

Publications & Speaking Engagements

- Co-Author, "U.S. Civil Courts as the New Front on the 'War on Terror?' An Examination of JASTA's Constitutionality and Likely Impact on Middle Eastern Businesses," *Mena Business Law Review*, — December 2017.
- Practice Note, "Outline of the Court System and Jurisdiction of the Courts in Saudi Arabia," *Lexis Nexis Gulf Legal Advisor*.
- Practice Note, "Enforcement of Foreign Court Judgments in Saudi Arabia," *Lexis Nexis Gulf Legal Advisor*.
- Practice Note, "Enforcement of Arbitral Awards in Saudi Arabia," *Lexis Nexis Gulf Legal Advisor*.
- Speaker, "Young MENA Groups Debate Series: Contractually imposed requirements to attempt to settle disputes amicably are a waste of time and effort," Dubai Arbitration Week, November 2019.
- Panelist, "Is Saudi Arabia the next frontier for Arab arbitration?" Dubai Arbitration Week, November 2020.
- Speaker, "Young Practitioners and COVID-19: The virtual World of Arbitration," November 2020.

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