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Dispute Resolution: Track Record & CV

QUALIFICATIONS

- Germany (Rechtsanwalt)

CASES HANDLED

- As Chairman of the Arbitral Tribunal:
9 As Sole Arbitrator: 12
- As Co-Arbitrator: 22
- As Mediator: 1
- As Counsel: 100+
- Governing Laws in Cases Handled: Argentine law, Austrian law, Cuban law, Danish law, French law, German law, Omani law; Spanish law, Swiss law, US law
- Places of Arbitration in Cases Handled: Copenhagen (Denmark), Cairo (Egypt), Paris (France), Düsseldorf (Germany), Frankfurt (Germany), Munich (Germany), Madrid (Spain), Dubai (UAE), London (UK)
- Sectors and Practice Areas in Cases Handled: Software projects, joint venture (petrochemical facility), petroleum concession (exploration and development), engineering/construction (chemical plant; biofuel plant), trademark, know-how and patent licensing, trade secret infringement, sale of goods, long-term supply agreements, distribution agreements, sui generis service cooperation, hotel management agreements, shareholders agreements, R&D agreements, construction agreements, e-payment clearance, patent vindication, online marketing agreement related to a complex divestment, IP purchase agreement, IT outsourcing project. Since 1992, comprehensive advice to clients in intellectual property and technology-related contractual matters; representation in related litigation, representation of trademark portfolios in the chemical, automotive, welding technology, fashion, meat products, sporting goods, toys, etc. sectors.

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

Co-arbitrator in an ICC arbitration on defaults in the performance of a complex procurement outsourcing project of an Austrian service provider

Co-arbitrator in a DIS arbitration concerning the use of IP in the field of non-linear optics

Sole arbitrator in a DIS arbitration concerning default in performance with respect to a banking software license

Co-arbitrator in DIS arbitration proceedings concerning telecommunications software

Chairman arbitrator in a DIS arbitration concerning devices for pneumatic conveying

Chairman in a proceeding of the Danish Arbitration Institution concerning non-performance/improper performance of royalties from mass exploitation of a software

Co-arbitrator in an ICC patent invalidation proceeding relating to vaccine

Co-arbitrator in an ICC proceeding concerning the infringement of over 20 trade secrets relating to the manufacture of certain medical devices

CAREER MILESTONES

Erik Schäfer has been an attorney since 1993. After passing the bar exam in Frankfurt (Main), he worked as a consultant at the Secretariat of the International Court of Arbitration of the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) in Paris. Following this, he was in charge of legal matters in a patent department. Before joining BODENHEIMER, he worked as an attorney and later as a partner (2002) at COHAUSZ & FLORACK Patent- und Rechtsanwälte in Düsseldorf since 1997, where he retired at the end of 2022.

MEMBERSHIPS (SELECTION)

German Arbitration Institute (DIS) | Club Español e Iberoamericano del Arbitraje (CEIA) | Licensing Executives Society (LES)

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

Erik Schäfer studied at the University of Freiburg with study visits to France, England and Mexico.

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