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Musick Peeler's International Arbitration and Litigation Group is a globally oriented practice based in California, with a strong presence in Los Angeles. Our attorneys represent clients in high-stakes international arbitration matters across Europe, the Middle East, Asia, and North America, particularly in the construction, energy, renewable energy, entertainment, aerospace, and sports sectors.

Our team has served as counsel in arbitrations under the ICC, ICDR, DIAC, UNCITRAL, NAI, WIPO, AAA, and ad hoc rules, with seats ranging from California, Paris, London, Abu Dhabi, Geneva, and Zurich to Doha, Rotterdam, and New York. We regularly advise sovereigns, multinational corporations, and private clients on all stages of cross-border dispute resolution—from arbitration clause drafting and jurisdictional strategy to complex enforcement proceedings under the New York Convention.

Drawing on deep ties to the international arbitration communities in California and abroad, our attorneys include recognized leaders in international arbitration, with experience serving as counsel in multi-billion-dollar disputes, teaching at top U.S. law schools, and contributing to global arbitral thought leadership. As a member of Ally Law, Musick Peeler leverages a network of over 70 international firms in 100+ jurisdictions to offer seamless global support to clients.

Our Representative International Arbitration Experience

Construction & Infrastructure

- Represented specialty installer / subcontractor in a dispute with an EPC contractor over claims arising out of the construction of a coal steam power plant in an ICC arbitration in Geneva.
- Lead counsel in an ICC arbitration arising out of a port construction dispute in Abu Dhabi.
- Represented marine and dredging contractor in an ICC arbitration seated in Zurich related to the expansion of Port Taichung.
- Represented subcontractor in \$160 million plus dispute in an ICC arbitration seated in Paris arising out of construction contract dispute at international airport in the Middle East.
- Represented French engineer in an ICC arbitration seated in London arising out of design and build dispute with an Australian owner.
- Represented joint venture in a multibillion-dollar highway construction contract dispute.
- Represented supplier in a dispute involving the Navajo-Gallup Water Supply Project.
- Represented joint venture in disputes arising from California's \$2.5 billion LAX automated tramway project.

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Life Sciences & Medical Devices

- Represented distributor of blood and fluid warming device in an ICC arbitration seated in Singapore in a dispute with manufacturer.
- Represented joint venture partner in an ICC arbitration seated in New York arising out of an agreement to manufacture and sell warming blankets.
- Represented manufacturer and seller of post-op patient temperature management devices in a dispute with former distributor in ICC proceedings in London.

Energy & Renewable Energy

- Represented an EPC contractor in an ICC arbitration involving claims more than \$300 million related to a natural gas-fired power facility in the Northwestern U.S.
- Represented European developer of 250-megawatt photovoltaic solar facility in four separate ICC arbitrations.
- Represented U.S. wind farm owner/operator in an ICDR arbitration seated in California regarding breach of contract with a public utility.
- Represented U.S. engineering firm in an ICDR arbitration regarding a photovoltaic facility dispute with a German owner.

Technology, IP & Software

- Represented Chinese software provider in an ICC arbitration seated in New York involving breach of contract and fraud.
- Lead counsel in a WIPO arbitration seated in Geneva between a European software designer and Japanese joint venture partners in a matter heard under UNIDROIT Principles of International Commercial Contracts.
- Acted for licensor in an NAI arbitration in Brussels related to automotive technology.

Shipping, Ports & Maritime:

- Represented European owner of a vessel in an ICC arbitration seated in Zurich arising from a charter-party dispute.
- Acted for manufacturer of marine equipment in an ICC arbitration governed by CISG and Swiss law.
- Represented shipowner arising out of a charter party for the carriage of salt.

Entertainment, Aerospace & General Commercial:

- Represented promoter in a JAMS arbitration arising out of a non-PGA professional golf tournament.
- Represented global architectural firm in a AAA arbitration regarding sports facility structural design.
- Represented distributor in an NAI arbitration seated in Rotterdam in a multiparty shareholder and distribution dispute.
- Lead counsel in an AAA arbitration involving veterinary services and a national pet store chain.

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International Enforcement & Litigation:

- Represented subsidiary of a Dutch bank in multiple lawsuits in federal courts in California, Nevada and New York arising out of a payment processing platform and related agreements.
- Represented Mexican bank in U.S. money laundering litigation resulting in dismissal.
- Enforced arbitral awards under the New York Convention in U.S. federal courts on behalf of foreign and domestic clients.

Key Sectors We Serve

- Construction & Infrastructure
- Agriculture
- Renewable/Clean Energy & Oil and Gas
- Aerospace & Defense
- Sports & Entertainment
- Software & Intellectual Property

Global Coverage, Local Strength

With California-based arbitrations involving international parties on the rise, Musick Peeler is strategically positioned to serve as local counsel in proceedings seated in the U.S., and as global counsel in disputes across EMEA and Asia. Our local expertise combined with our global reach ensures we provide strategic, efficient, and enforceable dispute solutions.

Contact Our International Arbitration Attorneys

To speak with a member of our international arbitration team, contact us today to schedule a consultation. Our attorneys are ready to assist with your cross-border dispute wherever it may arise.