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## Joseph Tirado – Arbitrator

### OVERVIEW

Joe Tirado has close to 30 years of dispute resolution experience. He has handled hundreds of cases on behalf of sovereign governments, multi-national corporations and high net worth individuals across a broad range of industry sectors as counsel, arbitrator, mediator and expert determiner in over 60 jurisdictions.

Joe has conducted and advised on international commercial and investment arbitration under all the major international arbitration rules before the leading international arbitration institutions as well as “pure” ad hoc and UNCITRAL arbitration.

He is a solicitor-advocate with full rights of audience before all civil courts and a member of a number of leading arbitration panels.

Joe writes extensively and presents regularly on international arbitration at major international conferences, symposia and seminars and prominent universities around the world. He is also actively involved in arbitral institutions and prestigious international arbitration associations and committees.

Joe is fluent in Spanish.

### STYLE AND APPROACH

Diligent, commercial, pragmatic, approachable, responsive and determined. Prepared to adapt approach as required by the sensitivities of each matter to ensure the most expeditious, cost effective and proportionate proceedings without compromising on due process. This may include identifying potentially dispositive issues early if this can help the parties reach a negotiated settlement or provide for a more efficient and cost effective arbitration. Ensures each parties’ case is properly understood, considered and deliberated. Robust on following agreed procedural timetables and document disclosure, but flexible when required to be.

### EXPERTISE

- Energy (oil & gas, renewable and power generation)
- Financial services
- Public international law expertise
- Construction
- Engineering
- Transport (automobile, aviation and shipping)
- Travel

### EXPERIENCE

#### Construction/infrastructure

- ICC - Co-arbitrator: Arbitration between Middle-Eastern parties relating to a construction dispute in the Middle East.
- ICC - Co-arbitrator: US\$60 million arbitration seated in South America relating to the development of an iron and steel plant.
- ICC - Co-arbitrator: US\$25 million dispute relating to the delivery of industrial installations in Eastern Europe.
- VIAC - Co-arbitrator: Vienna seated arbitration between an Eastern European and European parties concerning construction equipment supply contract.

## Energy

- DIAC - Sole arbitrator: Dubai seated fuel transportation dispute in Central Asia.
- ICC - Emergency Arbitrator: Share Purchase Agreement dispute in excess of US\$500 million concerning the acquisition of oil field interests in Africa.
- ICC - Co-arbitrator: Arbitration between Caribbean, European and Asian parties relating to an investment agreement dispute.
- ICC - Co-arbitrator: Arbitration between Far Eastern and Middle Eastern parties relating to a share purchase dispute in connection with an oil company.
- ICC - Co-arbitrator: US\$15 million dispute relating to alleged breaches of a European cross-border electricity supply agreement. The dispute is subject to Belgian law and the seat of the arbitration is Lugano, Switzerland.
- LCIA - Presiding arbitrator: US\$10 million African oil concession dispute between North American and African parties.
- LCIA - Co-arbitrator: Three related arbitrations concerning the acquisition of shares in an Asian energy company.
- SCC - Co-arbitrator: Stockholm seated Energy Charter Treaty arbitration involving Eastern-European parties in the electricity sector.
- UNCITRAL - Co-arbitrator: Scotland seated arbitration concerning alleged misrepresentation and breach of warranty under an oil services sale and purchase agreement, subject to Scottish law. Claim in excess of US\$50 million.

## Distribution/franchise

- ICC - Sole arbitrator: Distribution agreement arbitration in London subject to the laws of Florida between a Middle Eastern company and a U.S. corporation.
- LCIA - Sole arbitrator: Two arbitrations seated in London arising out of a restaurant franchise agreement and a lease for memorabilia.

## Financial services

- SCC - Emergency Arbitrator: Application in support of US\$2.7 billion investor-state claim relating to the provision of financial services in Eastern Europe.

## Maritime

- LCIA - Presiding arbitrator: US\$10 million ship repair contract dispute between a European and Latin American parties.
- Tourism
- LCIA - Presiding arbitrator: Dispute relating to a hotel management agreement in the Middle East.

## Technology

- CEDR - Mediator/Sole arbitrator: Dispute between UK and North American parties regarding unpaid fees for services rendered in connection with the development of video games.

## Other

- Presiding Arbitrator-Judge, Finals of 3rd Regional Foreign Direct Investment Moot, Nairobi, September 2018.
- Presiding Arbitrator-Judge, Permanent Court of Arbitration Willem C Vis Pre-Moot, The Hague, March 2018.
- Arbitrator-Judge, 9th Global Finals Foreign Direct Investment Moot, Buenos Aires, November 2016.
- Judge of Finals of the National Law School of India ADR Tournament, Bangalore, April 2015.
- Arbitrator-Judge, 2nd South Asia FDI Moot, Delhi, August 2014.
- Arbitrator-Judge, 7th National Law School of India International Arbitration Moot, Bangalore, April 2014.
- Presiding Arbitrator-Judge, Graf & Pitokowitz Willem C Vis Pre-Moot, Vienna, April 2014.
- Presiding Arbitrator-Judge, ICC Willem C Vis Pre-Moot, Paris, March 2013.
- Presiding Arbitrator-Judge, 15th Willem C Vis Moot, Vienna, March 2008.

## PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

- Solicitor, England & Wales, 1994.
- Qualified Solicitor-Advocate (Higher Courts Civil Proceedings), 2004.

## CAREER HISTORY

- April 2016 to present, Garrigues UK LLP, London: Partner; Co-Chair of International Arbitration and ADR.
- October 2012 to January 2016, Winston & Strawn LLP, London: Partner; Global Co-Chair of International Arbitration.
- April 2007 to October 2012, Norton Rose LLP (now NortonRose Fulbright LLP), London: Partner; Head and Co-Head of International Arbitration and ADR.
- October 2000 to April 2007 Baker Botts LLP, London: Partner; Trial (January 2004 to April 2007) and Senior Associate, Trial (October 2000 to December 2003).
- January 1997 to September 2000, Lovells (now HoganLovells LLP), London: Associate, Commercial Litigation.
- July 1994 to December 1996, DLA (now DLA Piper LLP), Manchester: Associate, Commercial Litigation.
- September 1992 to June 1994, Boodle Hatfield, London: Trainee Solicitor

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