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Educational/Professional Memberships

- **LMAA** Aspiring Full Member
- **Panel Arbitrator**: **SCMA** (Member of Arbitrators' Representative Council), **SIAC**, **HKIAC**, **UNUM**, **GMAA**, **KCAB**, **AIAC** (ex KLRCA), **MIAC**, **BANI**
- **LCIA** Database of Arbitrators
- Member of the **Baltic Exchange**
- Law Society of Hong Kong and Law Society of England & Wales
- Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (**CIArb**)

(As well as my law degree from City University London and PCLL from City University in Hong Kong (obtained with Distinction) I hold a BA from **King's College London**, and an MA (Chinese Studies) from the **School of Oriental and African Studies** (SOAS) in London, and an LLM (US and Environmental Law) from **Elisabeth Haub School of Law** at Pace University.

Current Position

Arbitrator and Mediator, Member of ArbDB Chambers

Professional Experience

Worked in Hong Kong, Shanghai, Beijing and Singapore. Spent entire career in East and South-East Asia.

Admitted in Hong Kong, England & Wales and as Barrister and Solicitor in Nauru. Awaiting admission to the New York Bar having passed all exams.

I have worked at international law firms in Hong Kong, Shanghai, Beijing and Singapore and was a partner for 7 years. My experience spans the entire range of shipping and offshore matters as well as commercial disputes including commodity disputes, construction disputes (all types of vessels/units, including cruise ships), bunker disputes, EPC contracts, drilling contracts, sale & purchase disputes, SPAs, SHAs, pooling agreements, charterparties (including the dispute underlying the arrest of the *Henna* cruise ship in South Korea in 2013), sale- and leasebacks, and cargo/bill of lading disputes. I have worked extensively for and against Asian parties throughout my career.

In addition, I have written numerous articles and spoken at many events and on panels as legal expert on current legal issues.

Arbitration Experience (as of 21.5.2026)

As arbitrator:

Total of 293 appointments to date in LMAA, SCMA, SIAC, AIAC, SMA, HKIAC, HKMAG and *ad hoc* arbitrations as sole, party-appointed and Chair.

Conducted multiple hearings, including as Chair, and have drafted and published 52 awards, with numerous interlocutory orders made.

My experience as arbitrator covers maritime disputes (charterparties, bills of lading, sale and purchase disputes relating to all types of vessels and charterparty forms), disputes related to construction of

vessels and rigs, high value commodity sale contract disputes (especially in Asia) involving coal, magnetite concentrate and nickel ore, and general commercial disputes.

I was recently appointed presiding arbitrator in a major commercial dispute in a HKIAC arbitration.

As Counsel:

Handled well over 100 arbitrations under LMAA, SCMA, HKIAC and SIAC Rules and *ad hoc.*

Publications

1. "***Keeping Fraud Out of Maritime Arbitration: Lessons from a Recent Case***", The Arbitrator, Vol 52 No. 2, June 2024
2. "***Sevilleja v Marex: New hope for creditors of impecunious counterparties?***" SCMA Knowledge Sharing, September 2020
3. "***Reducing Costs in your Maritime Arbitration at the SCMA***" SCMA Knowledge Sharing, September 2020
4. "***Want to Arbitrate at the SCMA? Get the clause right***…" SCMA Knowledge Sharing, August 2020
5. "***Less is not more – the dangers of not paying proper attention to the Dispute Resolution Clause***", Triton 1-2019, Swedish Club Magazine, 11 May 2019.
6. "***Arbitration - An Arbitrator's Perspective***", The Field, Skuld Offshore Magazine, 18 April 2018."
7. "***Singapore Ups Mediation Game***", Thomas Cooper Law Update, 3 November 2017.
8. "***Protect Your Interest: the Dos and Don'ts when entering a superyacht construction agreement***" (Asia-Pacific Boating July/August 2016);
9. "***South China Sea Dispute – What the Tribunal's Ruling in Favour of the Philippines actually means***" (Asia-Pacific Boating September/October 2016).
10. ***"First test for Reciprocal Enforcement Law in Hong Kong",*** Thomas Cooper LLP/China Maritime and Commercial Law Group (Bilingual), 1 June 2016
11. ***"Getting Drawn Into China's New Litigation Laws"***, Maritime Executive, 28 March 2015
12. **"*Bending with the Wind*"**, SinoShip, Autumn 2012
13. ***"Repudiators beware"***, SeaTrade Asia Week, Issue 108, 25 May 2012.

Languages

Danish and English (native)
Mandarin and French (advanced, reading to a professional level)
Other Scandinavian languages (professional working proficiency)