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Tom serves as co-managing partner of the London office and is a member of the firm's Litigation and Arbitration Group. Tom is recognised as one of the leading practitioners in his field. He has been described in the legal directories as "totally committed and on top of his game," "an outstanding lawyer", "an all-round great lawyer", "brilliant", an "assured operator", "very able and driven", "commercially astute", "great instincts and judgement", "excellent to work with" and "establishes great relationships with clients".

Primary Focus & Experience

His clients have included federal and state governments, state-owned entities, airlines, property investment companies, satellite operators, IT and telecommunications companies, oil and gas corporations, insurers and reinsurers, accountancy firms, banks (both clearing and investment) and other financial institutions.

His expertise includes:

- Arbitration (counsel and advocate) conducted under all of the major sets of rules including UNCITRAL, ICSID, DIAC, DIFC/LCIA, SIAC, SCC, ICC and LCIA, as well as ad hoc arbitration.
- Litigation in the High Court (including the Commercial Court and the Technology and Construction Court), Court of Appeal and Supreme Court of England & Wales.
- Applications for injunctive relief (including freezing injunctions, restraining injunctions, anti-suit injunctions and search orders) and interim remedies in aid of overseas proceedings.
- Advising corporates and financial institutions in relation to economic sanctions, anticorruption policies and compliance with the Bribery Act 2010.

Tom has a specialist knowledge of dispute resolution in the Middle East, a region in which he lived and practiced for 3 years.

Recognition & Accomplishments

Tom was listed in *The Lawyer Magazine's* Hot 100 List, an independently compiled list of leading practitioners in their fields and was named as a 'Transatlantic Rising Star' by *The American Lawyer* in recognition of his exceptional work on a number of leading high-profile cases.

Chambers UK ranks him as a 'leading lawyer' and has described him as "extremely responsive, knowledgeable and always there for you with very reliable advice" saying that "clients offer praise for his "macro view on complex situations and his excellent communication skills".

Tom has been described in the *Legal 500 UK* as "someone who manages even the most complex cases with aplomb" and "dedicated, available, practical and an excellent strategist".

He is a member of the London Court of International Arbitration, the International Bar Association, the Dubai International Arbitration Centre and is admitted to practice before the Dubai International Financial Centre (DIFC) Court.

Tom has written numerous articles which have appeared in publications such as *The New York Law Journal*, *The Commercial Litigation Journal*, *Energy Risk, Energy World, Global Arbitration Review*, *The ICC Handbook*, *The Lloyd's List* and various IBA publications. He regularly speaks on both investment treaty and international commercial arbitration.

ADDITIONAL DETAILS

EDUCATION

Nottingham Law School, L.P.C.

University of Sheffield School of Law, LL.B.

ADMISSIONS

England and Wales

EXPERIENCE



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