



Daniel Kalderimis

Lawyer Arbitrator

Overview

Daniel is a practicing lawyer and arbitrator, a former Fulbright Scholar and identified in The International Who's Who of Commercial Arbitration as one of the world's leading arbitration specialists. He is a member of the LCIA, the International Bar Association, the International Law Association, the American Society of International Law and the Arbitrators and Mediators' Institute of New Zealand.

Daniel is New Zealand's national correspondent to UNCITRAL for the Model Law on Commercial Arbitration and the New York Convention. Daniel has also taught international law at Columbia Law School in New York and is an adjunct lecturer at Victoria University Law School in Wellington.

Language

English

Education

Daniel studied at Victoria University of Wellington (BA, LLB Hons, first class), where he graduated first in his year, and at Columbia Law School (LLM), for which he received the Fulbright-Buddle Findlay Award.

Professional Background

Daniel Kalderimis is a partner in the dispute resolution team of Chapman Tripp, New Zealand's leading business law firm, and leads the firm's international arbitration and trade law practice, which focuses on the Asia-Pacific region. He is admitted in New Zealand, New York and England and Wales (where he is a solicitor-advocate for civil matters). Prior to rejoining Chapman Tripp Daniel

worked in London as a senior associate in the international arbitration group of Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP.

Daniel has broad experience as counsel in international arbitrations and as a barrister and solicitor in commercial litigation. Daniel has represented national and international clients in a range of major industries, including mining, oil and gas, telecommunications, foreign exchange and private equity. Many cases have involved cross border disputes and have had an international flavour.

Daniel is also recognised for providing policy advice across a range of commercial and regulatory issues, particularly foreign investment and trade. Daniel has worked on the New Zealand Law Foundation Regulatory Reform Project and the United Nations Environment Programme on integrating environmental, social and governance issues into institutional investment.

Testimonials

Daniel is featured in **Who's Who Legal**

'former Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP lawyer Daniel Kalderimis is highly rated for his international arbitration work'

Legal 500 Asia Pacific

Recent Cases

- a United Kingdom investor against the Republic of Indonesia, in the first bilateral investment treaty arbitration hearing ever held in New Zealand, successfully resisting a summary dismissal application by Indonesia (2012)
- the Arbitrators' and Mediators' Institute of New Zealand, as an intervener in a Supreme Court appeal on the use of without prejudice privilege in New Zealand mediations, gaining leave to intervene (before the substantive appeal was discontinued by the parties) (2012)
- a subsidiary of Leighton Contractors Pty Limited in arbitration proceedings against New Zealand state-owned enterprise Solid Energy, which were amicably resolved (2012)
- Rio Tinto Alcan Power (NZ) Ltd in arbitration proceedings against New Zealand state-owned enterprise Meridian Energy Ltd, which were amicably resolved (2010)

- a European FX technology provider in arbitration proceedings against a major US bank, succeeding in a hearing on liability (2009)
- a US private equity fund in arbitration proceedings against a former co-shareholder, resulting in an adverse, but reduced, quantum award (2009)
- Ravensdown Fertiliser Cooperative in High Court proceedings against Summit Quinphos, successfully resisting a judicial review application of an industry body (2009)
- BP in arbitration proceedings against an Algerian government entity, which were amicably resolved (2008)
- management consultancy McKinsey in arbitration proceedings against an Albanian government entity, resulting in a successful LCIA award and subsequent enforcement proceedings in Albania (2007)
- a Russian investor in a US\$2.5b multi-jurisdictional telecommunications dispute, including in successful Stockholm arbitration proceedings (identified as a “top 50” dispute by The American Lawyer magazine), and in the first successful proceedings before the Bermuda Supreme Court for an anti-suit injunction in support of an arbitration agreement (2007).

Publications

Daniel is widely published, and speaks frequently, on cross-border legal issues. He is the author of the New Zealand chapter of World Arbitration Reporter, co-author of an international guide to the ICSID Convention and Arbitration Rules, and a contributing author to New Zealand’s foremost arbitration text, Williams & Kawharu on Arbitration.

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