

## Ben Giaretta

Partner

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*I head Fox Williams' dispute resolution department and represent clients in commercial disputes across a wide range of sectors, including technology, energy, natural resources, construction, infrastructure, commodities and professional services.*

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Ben is a commercial disputes lawyer with a broad range of experience in litigation, mediation and expert determination, and he has particular expertise in international commercial arbitration.

He has advised clients on issues arising from contracts in many different industries, including technology, oil & gas, LNG, renewables, construction, mining, M&A, commodities, shipping and professional services. He has worked on disputes all over the world, including in Africa, Europe, the Gulf region and Asia. For seven years he was based in Singapore as the Head of Arbitration in Asia for an international law firm, and he worked on disputes across the Asia-Pacific, especially relating to India, South Korea, Japan, Indonesia, China and Australia.

In November 2022, he was elected to the Board of Trustees of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CIArb) and in January 2024 he was appointed as the Deputy Chair of the Board. The Board is responsible for the strategic direction of the CIArb and for the management and control of all its affairs. [Click here](#) to view more information on his election.

Ben is a Chartered Arbitrator and Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, and is a former Chair of the London Branch of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators. He has been appointed as arbitrator on over 30 occasions and he is on the panels of arbitrators of several arbitration institutions throughout the world.

Ben is ranked as a leading individual in the international arbitration sections of various legal directories including Chambers UK 2023 and Legal 500 UK 2023. He is also recognised as a Global Leader and a Thought Leader by Who's Who Legal's Arbitration 2022 guide.

Recent publications he has contributed to include [International Arbitration in England](#), in which he wrote a chapter on 'The Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and Membership Organisations: Future Vision'.

## Legal Expertise

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- Commercial disputes
- Commercial litigation
- Contract law
- International commercial arbitration

- Negotiation and mediation

## Experience

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- Represented a major petrochemicals company in an SIAC arbitration relating to a project in India.
- Advised a Saudi Arabian client on disputes arising from the operation of a telecommunications satellite (ICC arbitration).
- Presiding arbitrator in a multi-million dollar ICC arbitration between a US company and an Indian company relating to a joint venture.
- Emergency arbitrator in a dispute between an English company and a Singaporean company relating to a technology investment.
- Represented a US client in the High Court and the Court of Appeal in a dispute concerning fiduciary duties.
- Advised a Brazilian company on issues relating to an energy investment in southern Africa (LCIA arbitration).
- Represented a Singaporean client on a dispute with a Chinese buyer concerning the sale of coal from Indonesia.
- Advised the sellers of LNG from a LNG project in Australia on various disputes concerning the operation of the plant, including in ICC arbitration.
- Advised a professional services firm on an LCIA arbitration arising from the departure of a partner.
- Advised a Saudi Arabian client on disputes arising from the construction of a solar power project.

## Memberships

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- Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (Chartered Arbitrator and Fellow)
- Singapore Institute of Arbitrators (Fellow)
- Singapore Mediation Centre (Associate Mediator)
- Society of Construction Law
- Worshipful Company of Arbitrators (Liveryman)

- International Council for Commercial Arbitration
- London Court of International Arbitration
- Singapore International Arbitration Centre (panel of arbitrators)
- Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre (panel of arbitrators)
- Saudi Centre for Commercial Arbitration (panel of arbitrators)
- London Chamber of Arbitration and Mediation (panel of arbitrators)
- Japan Commercial Arbitration Association (panel of arbitrators)
- Korean Commercial Arbitration Board (panel of arbitrators)
- Badan Arbitrase Nasional Indonesia (panel of arbitrators)
- Asian International Arbitration Centre (panel of arbitrators)

## Accreditations

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