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Caribbean, US and Latin America Expertise

Experienced arbitrator with commercial and investment arbitration expertise in Latin America and the Caribbean. Calvin Hamilton has been on both sides of a dispute - as counsel and as arbitrator.

He is a Chartered Arbitrator, a highly regarded professional, experienced in the leading arbitral institutions ICC, ICSID, LCIA, AAA-ICDR, Madrid Court of Arbitration, Zurich Chamber of Commerce and UNCITRAL in a variety of seats.

As Arbitrator, Calvin commits to undertake each legal issue through the lens of cultural awareness. Cultural customs, as much as language, are frequently the cause of deep-seated misconceptions. Speaking a language alone, or even engaging an interpreter, is simply not enough when legal matters, contracts, courts and, more crucially, expectations are involved.

Calvin possesses the multilingual and multidisciplinary skill sets that are as conversant with Latin America and Spanish, the Commonwealth Caribbean, US, EU business culture and customs.

Calvin's Latin America and Caribbean-focused expertise demonstrate, not only his deftness in areas of legal competence, but that he has, over the years, built up a network of contacts and local knowledge that prove invaluable in conducting arbitrations in the region.

He is able to conduct arbitrations arising from projects and cases in Latin America and the Caribbean in both Spanish and English, as he is fluent in Spanish, is proficient in French and has a working knowledge of Portuguese. Significantly, he is also trained in the common law and civil law legal traditions of the regions. He is admitted to practice in New York and Madrid, Spain.

Representative arbitration cases In Caribbean, US and Latin America.

- Sole Arbitrator
- ICC International arbitration between foreign investor and a Caribbean government, concerning the breach of an investment for citizenship agreement. Seated in St. Kitts. Applicable law St. Kitts & Nevis.

- International arbitration under ICC Rules between a Caribbean government, government agency and foreign investor, concerning housing construction. Seated in Barbados. Applicable law, Barbados.
- International arbitration under UNCITRAL Rules between a US manufacturer of electronic units and its Spanish distributor concerning the breach of a distribution agreement. Seated in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Applicable law, Minnesota.
- International arbitration under AAA-ICDR Rules between a Moroccan bank and Spanish state-owned insurer of Spanish foreign investments concerning the interpretation of contract provisions and duties and obligations of the insurer. Seated in New York. Law Applicable, New York law.
- International ad hoc arbitration, UNCITRAL Rules between a US buyer and a Spanish manufacturing company regarding indemnity claims under an insurance policy. Seated in New York. Law applicable, New York law.

Chairperson.

- Ad hoc arbitration under UNCITRAL Rules between US manufacturer of curtainwalls and Bermudan building contractor for breach of payment obligations. Seated in Bermuda. Applicable law English.
- Ad hoc arbitration under UNCITRAL Rules between a BVI investor and St. Lucia government instrumentality for breach of contract. Seated in St. Lucia. Applicable law, St. Lucia.
- Request for Independent Review Process under AAA-ICDR Rules between Turkish investor and ICANN, concerning the interpretation of the ICANN bylaws and Articles of Incorporation. Seated in California.
- Ad hoc arbitration under AAA-ICDR Rules between US manufacturer of curtainwalls and Bermudan building contractor for breach of payment obligations. Seated in Bermuda. Applicable law, English law.

Co-Arbitrator

- International arbitration under ICDR Rules between US multinational and Spanish-speaking Caribbean privately owned television consortium. Seated in New York. Applicable law, New York law.
- International arbitration under ICC Rules between a UK construction company and a Caribbean state-owned housing development corporation. Seated in Port of Spain, Trinidad and Tobago. Applicable law, Trinidad & Tobago.
- International arbitration under LCIA Rules between Caribbean state-owned entity and a foreign investor. Seated in London.
- International arbitration under ICC Rules between Uruguayan and British Virgin Islands parties concerning the breach of contract of an investment in mutual funds. Seated in Madrid. Applicable law, BVI.
- International arbitration under ICC rules between US companies, French and Swiss companies concerning the breach of a Share Purchase Agreement. Seated in Madrid Applicable law, French Law.

Counsel

- Counsel for Venezuelan investors in ICSID arbitration claim against Spanish government.
- Counsel for US Construction Company in dispute against Government of Antigua.
- Counsel for Belizean government in a matter before the CCJ concerning the constitutionality of an agreement which gave rise to an LCIA award.
- Counsel on legal implications of the application of Spanish arbitration law to BIT claims against government of Venezuela.
- Acting for Argentinian investors in arbitration against a Spanish bank for breach of contract to develop an internet platform throughout Latin America.
- Provide expert opinion on Spanish law to US counsel in ICSID BIT arbitration between Investors and Venezuela.
- Acting for US manufacturer in an ad hoc arbitration against a Spanish contractor for breach of contract to construct curtain walls.
- Act for Spanish franchisee in arbitration against US franchisor for breach of franchise agreement.
- Co-counsel with NY international firm for St. Lucian domiciled entity against a Caribbean government.

Transactions-Representative Cases and Clients

- US investment bank on its option and trading strategies in certain exchange rate transactions.
- US owner of Mexican Holiday Resort in the sale of debt to foreign Investors to raise financing for the resort.
- US client in development of Spanish theme-park and hotel consortium.
- Counsel for US client and regional government on their negotiations with central government.