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OVERVIEW

Janet Walker is an independent arbitrator and member of Int Arb Arbitrators & Mediators at the International Arbitration Centre, London as well Arbitration Place in Toronto and Sydney Arbitration Chambers in Australia.

She is on the panel of foreign arbitrators of AIAC, ACICA, BVI-IAC, CIETAC, HKIAC, AAA-ICDR, JCAA, Juris, KCAB, SCIA, SHIAC, SIAC and Ukrainian Chamber and has served as sole, presiding, and co-arbitrator in ICC, AAA-ICDR, DIAC, HKIAC, SIAC, KCAB and in ad hoc arbitrations in a variety of seats across US and Canada, Asia Pacific, Middle-East and UK.

Janet has experience across a range of industries with disputes often relating to construction and infrastructure projects, environmental and agricultural manufacturing, heavy equipment, supply and distribution agreements, licenses, franchises, intellectual property infringements, finance, mergers and acquisitions, shareholder and employment disputes.

She is the Chair of ICC Canada and has been a member since 2001, and a member of the Arbitration Roundtable of Toronto (now Toronto Commercial Arbitration Society) since 2004; and of the CIArb Canada Board (founding chair of Toronto chapter in 2004). She has been recognized regularly in legal directories for her skill as an arbitrator since 2010, including in Who's Who Legal Canada, Who's Who Arbitration and Chambers & Partners. She was the 2018 recipient of the CIArb Canada Award for Distinguished Service.

Janet was a member of the ICCA2018 Sydney Executive Organizing Committee; a co-chair of the ILA2006 Toronto 72nd Biennial Conference; and a co-chair of the IAPL2009 Toronto Conference. In 2019, Janet gave the annual Jean-Gabriel Castel Lecture on "International Commercial Arbitration in an Era of Transparency."

She is a professor of law and past associate dean of Osgoode Hall Law School, York University. In 2020, Janet received the title of Distinguished Research Professor from York University for her commitment to excellence, and international leadership in the fields of private international law, procedural law, comparative law and international commercial arbitration.

Janet also authors the main private international law text in Canada, which, during her authorship has become the most cited private law work in Canadian courts, relied on in more than 350 decisions, including 70 appellate decisions and 15 Supreme Court of Canada decisions.

She was a founding member of ICC Canada; Toronto Commercial Arbitration Society, CIArb Toronto Chapter (founding chair) and subsequently Board Member of the Chapter and Branch, Young Canadian Arbitration Practitioners (founding advisor), and ArbitralWomen; and member of LCIA, IBA, IPBA, ICCA and the Worshipful Company of Arbitrators.

Janet has also served as arbitrator at the Vis Moot since 2001, and coached teams from 2001-2014, including the prevailing team in 2004. Since 2010, she has been among the Canadian arbitrators listed in legal directories, including Who's Who Legal: Arbitration (London and Canada) and Chambers & Partners.

CIArb Chartered Arbitrator and a member of the ILA Committee on International Commercial Arbitration.

PRACTICE AREAS

- Construction
- Heavy Equipment
- Mergers & Acquisitions
- Shareholder Disputes
- Intellectual Property
- Environmental
- Finance
- Employment

ARBITRAL APPOINTMENTS

Examples of Janet's most recent appointments include:

- Emergency Arbitrator, ICC Rules, New York Seat, Pharmaceuticals, Patent Licensing
- Sole Arbitrator, ICC Rules, Singapore Seat, Shareholders dispute
- Chair, ICDR Rules, Toronto Seat, Joint venture, Pharmaceuticals
- Sole Arbitrator, SIAC Rules, Singapore Seat, Shareholders dispute
- Sole Arbitrator, HKIAC Rules, Hong Kong Seat, Licensing dispute
- Sole Arbitrator, ICC Rules, New York Seat, Sub-Contract in the energy industry
- Chair, SIAC Rules, Singapore Seat, Solar power project
- Co-Arbitrator, DIAC Rules, Dubai Seat, Construction
- Sole Arbitrator, ICDR Rules, New York Seat, Franchising
- Chair, ICC Rules, New York Seat, Environmental
- Sole Arbitrator, ICC Rules, New York Seat, Desulphurization Project
- Chair, ICC Rules, New York Seat, Post-M&A
- Sole Arbitrator, ICDR Rules, Toronto Seat, Equipment Supply

- Sole Arbitrator, ICC Rules, New York Seat, Heavy Equipment Servicing
- Co-Arbitrator, ICC Rules, Ottawa Seat, Agricultural Processing Plant
- Chair, ICC Rules, Jamaica Seat, Travel Industry
- Sole Arbitrator, ICC Rules, New York, Technology Transfer
- Sole Arbitrator, Ad Hoc, UNCITRAL Rules, London Seat, Services Agreement
- Sole Arbitrator, SIAC Rules, Singapore Seat, Energy Trading
- Sole Arbitrator, ICC Rules, New York Seat, Joint Venture
- Co-arbitrator, KCAB International Rules, Seoul Seat, Electronics Industry

RECOGNITIONS

Janet has been recognized regularly in legal directories for her skill as an arbitrator including in Who's Who Legal Canada, Who's Who Arbitration Global Leader and Chambers & Partners, Dispute Resolution: Most in Demand Arbitrators – Nationwide - Canada.

"She is hailed by sources as 'an excellent arbitrator' and offers deep knowledge of commercial dispute resolution relating to clients in the construction, finance and environmental industries".

[Chambers & Partners, Canada, 2020]

"Janet Walker is hailed 'a very strong arbitrator' who ranks highly among peers thanks to her impressive experience as sole arbitrator, co-arbitrator and chair."

[Who's Who Legal, Global Arbitration Leader 2020]

"I know well the talents that mark a first-rate arbitrator. Professor Walker possesses them all."

[Who's Who Legal, 2019]

"A force to be reckoned with and a very bright arbitrator."

[Chambers & Partners, Global, 2019]

"Janet is held in very high regard by the International Arbitration Community as a pre-eminent arbitration practitioner and scholar."

[Who's Who Legal, 2019]

"Professor Walker was responsive to the parties' queries and submissions at all times, diligently conducted the proceedings through carefully crafted procedural decisions and spearheaded the issuance of an award which ultimately led to an efficient resolution of the parties' dispute."

[Who's Who Legal, 2019]

PROFESSIONAL AND ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

Admissions

- Chartered Arbitrator, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (2017)
- New York State Bar Licensed Legal Consultant (2015)
- Law Society of Upper Canada (now Law Society of Toronto) and Bar of Ontario (1998)

Academic

- DPhil (Law), Oxford University (2002) (MA, 2010)
- JD (formerly LLB) Osgoode Hall Law School (1993)
- MA, York University (1982)
- BA (Hons), York University (1979)

ARBITRAL PANELS

- American Arbitration Association—ICDR Panel of International Neutrals
- Asian International Arbitration Centre (formerly KLRCA) Panel member
- Australian Centre for International Commercial Arbitration (ACICA) Fellow and Panel Member
- British Virgin Islands International Arbitration Centre (BVI IAC) Panel of Arbitrators
- Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CIArb) Presidential Panel
- China Int'l Economic and Trade Arbitration Commission (CIETAC) Panel of Arbitrators
- Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre (HKIAC) Panel Member
- Japan Commercial Arbitration Association (JCAA) Panel Member
- Korean Commercial Arbitration Board International (KCAB) Panel Member
- London Court of International Arbitration
- Shanghai International Economic and Trade Arbitration Commission (SHIAC) Panel of Arbitrators
- Shenzhen Commission on International Arbitration (SCIA) Panel of Arbitrators
- Singapore International Arbitration Centre (SIAC) Panel of Arbitrators
- Ukrainian Chamber International Commercial Arbitration Court – Recommended Arbitrator_

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- Arbitralwomen
- Arbitration Place, Member Arbitrator
- Asociación Latinoamericano Arbitraje
- Canadian Bar Association
- Canadian Association of Law Teachers
- International Bar Association
- International Construction Law Association
- ICC Commission
- Law Society of Ontario (non-practising member)
- Int-Arb Arbitrators, The International Arbitration Centre, London
- Society of Construction Law North American Branch
- The Advocates' Society
- Toronto Commercial Arb Society (formerly Arb Roundtable of Toronto)
- Worshipful Company of Arbitrators, Freeman of the City of London_

PUBLICATIONS

- **Canadian Conflict of Laws** (LexisNexis, 5th edition 2001+, 6th edition 2005+)
- **Halsbury's Laws of Canada, Conflict of Laws** (LexisNexis, 2006-)
- Co-Author, **Civil Litigation** (Irwin, 2010)
- Editor, **The Civil Litigation Process** (Emond, 6th - 8th editions 2005-)
- Editor, **Class Actions in Canada** (Emond, 1st -2nd editions, 2013-)
- Editor, **The Vis Book** (Juris, 2007)
- Co-editor, **Private International Law in Common Law Canada** (Emond, 3rd - 4th editions 2010)
- Co-editor, **Common Law, Civil Law and the Future of Categories** (LexisNexis, 2010)
- 70+ journal articles; 150+ presentations in 30+ countries.