

ARBITRATION AND MEDIATION CENTER

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EDUCATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

L.LB., University of British Columbia, 1966; BA., Notre Dame College and University of British Columbia, 1963;

Bar Admissions:

Yukon Territory, 1977; Alberta, 1977; British Columbia, 1967.

LANGUAGES

English

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PRESENT POSITION

Partner, Borden Ladner Gervais LLP.

MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL BODIES

Adjunct Professor, University of British Columbia Law School:

Appointed as a UNIDROIT correspondent;

Appointed as an Arbitrator, China International Economic and Trade Arbitration Commission (CIETAC);

Appointed to The Canadian Foundation for Dispute Resolution's Advisory Board;

Asia-Pacific Lawyers' Association;

Canadian Co-Country Chair, Committee "O", Section on Business Law, International Bar Association (IBA):

Chartered Arbitrator, Canadian Institute of Arbitrators;

Fellow, American College of Trial Lawyers;

Fellow, Arbitrators' Institute of Hong-Kong;

Fellow, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (London);

Former Member, Advisory Group on Private International Law, Department of Justice, Ottawa;

Founding Trustee, British Columbia, International Commercial Arbitration Centre;

Professor of Arbitration and Dispute Resolution, City University, Kowloon, Hong Kong, July 1995 - June 1996;

Former Member, Ad Hoc Committee to Advise the Attorney-General of Hong Kong on Amendments to the Arbitration Ordinance:

Member, and Chairman of Panel Reviews, Dispute Resolution Panelists, the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA);

Member, Canadian Roster of Arbitrators, Commercial Arbitration and Mediation Centre for the Americas (CAMCA);

Member, Canadian Section Inter-America Commercial Arbitration Commission;

Member, CPR Panel of Arbitrators and Mediators, including its special panel for domain name disputes;

Member, IBA;

Member, International Chamber of Commerce Commission on Arbitration;

Member, Panel of Arbitrators, American Arbitration Association;

Member, Panel of Arbitrators, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators;

Past Chairman, Commercial Arbitration Committee of The ICC Canadian National Committee;

Member, British Columbia International Commercial Arbitration Task Force;

Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers;

Chairman, Canada, United States Free Trade Agreement review panel, (FTA);

Hunter Professor of Arbitration, City University, Hong Kong, July 1995-1996.

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Commercial litigation and arbitration, both domestic and international, including maritime (collision, construction and cargo), tax, combines (anti-trust), joint ventures, franchising, consortium and licensing disputes, high technology and computer issues;

General litigation, with particular emphasis and experience in construction, engineering and other similar technical disputes;

Advising on and acting as counsel with respect to environmental, waste management and native rights issues.

MAJOR PUBLICATIONS

"The Canadian Litigator's Experience with International Commercial Arbitration - One Man's Perspective", *International Commercial Arbitration*, Canadian Council of the International Chamber of Commerce, 1982;

- "Commercial Arbitration and International Trade", 1982;
- "Practical Aspects of International Arbitration", 1983;
- "The Canadian Common Law and the Concept of Amiable Composition", *Arbitration*, Vol. 52, n□ 3, 1986;
- "Canada No Man's Land No More", *Journal of International Arbitration*, Vol. 3, n□ 2, 1986;
- Co-author "Notes on Recent Canadian Legislation on Arbitration", *Arbitration International*, Vol. 2, n□ 4, 1986;
- "Sights, Centres and Practices" 1986;
- "To UNCITRAL or not to UNCITRAL", 1986;
- "The Arbitrator's Role in International Arbitration", 1986;
- "History and Use of Commercial Arbitration", 1986;
- "Alternative Dispute Resolution", 1986;
- "The Better Way Within: The Reaction of Canadian Courts to Modern Needs", 1987;
- Co-author "Responding to Environmental Investigations", 1989;
- "Aboriginal Rights and Indian Self-Government", 1990;
- "Defending Against Environmental Prosecutions", 1990;
- Co-author, "From the Desert to the Mountains: and Now to Avoid the Precipice", *The Advocate*, Vol. 49, Part 1, 1991:
- "Legal Green". C.G.A. Journal. 1991:
- Co-author "Environmental Investigations and Spill Response", *Environmental Law and Business in Canada*, 1993;
- "U.S. Commercial Law Crosses Northern Border: Good Faith and Fair Dealing"; *The National Law Journal*, 1995;
- "A Precipice Avoided: Judicial Stays and Party Autonomy in International Arbitration", *The Advocate*, Vol. 54 Part 1, p.63, 1996;
- "The UNIDROIT Principles of International Commercial Contracts and the Growth of International Commercial Law in the Asia-Pacific Region", 1996;
- "Alternative Dispute Resolution in Non-Union Human Resource Conflicts in the Context of the North American Free Trade Agreement", *Canada United States Law Journal*, Vol. 22 p.295, 1996;
- "Sources of Law in International Arbitration", G.M. Beresford Hartwell, The Commercial Way to Justice, p.29, 1997;
- "Evidentiary Issues in International Arbitration", 1996;
- "The Commercial Arbitration and Mediation Centre for the Americas: NAFTA's Mandate for the Private Sector", *Arbitration International*, Vol. 13, n□ 1, p.93, 1997;
- "International Arbitration in Canada", *International Schiedsgerichtsbarkeit*, ed. Prof Dr. Peter Gottwald, Geiseking Verlag, Bielefeld, p.639, 1997;
- "A Comparison of International Commercial Arbitration Rules: The Practical Implications", January 1999;
- "Weighing the Pros and Cons of a Fairness Arbitration", *Corporate Legal Times*, Vol. 9, Number 93, page 32, August 1999, with Ian Marshall;
- "Harmonization and Growth of International Commercial Law in the Asia-Pacific Region", *Comparative Law Yearbook of International Business*, Vol. 21, 1999, page 389;
- "A Comparison of International Arbitration Rules: A Practical Perspective" *Lawyering in the International Market*, editors, Dennis Campbell, Brian Birkeland, International Business Law Practice Series, Transnational Publishers, Inc. Ardsley, New York, 1999;
- "The Practitioners Handbook on International Arbitration and Mediation Canadian Chapter", Juris Publishing, 2002;
- "The ADR Institute of Canada's Response to a Uniquely Canadian Problem: National Arbitration Rules", *National Journal* with Gerry Ghikas.

EXPERIENCE IN COURT LITIGATION

Appeared as counsel in all of the courts of British Columbia, Alberta, the Supreme Court of the Yukon Territory, all divisions of the Federal Court of Canada and the Supreme Court of Canada.

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING IN MEDIATION

Completed mediation training in a program sponsored by Center for Public Resources (CPR) – over four days, including extensive role-playing (20 hours CLE credit).

EXPERIENCE IN ARBITRATION AND MEDIATION

Appeared as counsel and acted as arbitrator in international arbitrations in Canada, France, England, the U.S.A., Hong Kong and Singapore involving parties from Eastern and Western Europe, North America, the Pacific Rim and India. These arbitrations have been both ad hoc and institutional, including proceedings under the AAA, the International Chamber of Commerce, the British Columbia International Commercial Arbitration Centre, the International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID) and pursuant to Chapter II (investors, state) of NAFTA.

List of ADR Assignments

Has been involved either as counsel or as a tribunal member - usually as a sole arbitrator or mediator or Chairman of the tribunal, with the following is a list of arbitrations and mediations. Not all cases were taken through to an award or negotiation, but all reached a stage of development sufficient to contribute to my overall experience. The list is representative, not exhaustive.

Location: British Columbia

Parties: Canadian

Type of Dispute: Underground sewer construction

Acting Capacity: Counsel Administration: ad hoc

Location: Alberta Parties: Canadian

Type of Dispute: Concrete Building Construction

Acting Capacity: Counsel Administration: ad hoc

Location: New York

Parties: German and U.S.

Type of Dispute: Construction of Industrial Plant

Acting Capacity: Arbitrator
Administration: ICC

Location: New York
Parties: Dutch and U.S.

Type of Dispute: Construction of Industrial Plant (pressure vessels)

Acting Capacity: Arbitrator Administration: AAA

Location: New York

Parties: Turkish and U.S.

Type of Dispute: Distribution Agreement (Food)

Acting Capacity: Arbitrator

Administration: ICC

Location: Chicago

Parties: German and U.S.

Type of Dispute: Construction of Industrial Plant

Acting Capacity: Arbitrator Administration: AAA

Location: Boston

Parties: Singaporean (French), U.S.

Type of Dispute: Franchise and Distributorship Agreement

Acting Capacity: Arbitrator Administration: AAA

Location: Florida

Parties: German and U.S.

Type of Dispute: Construction of Industrial Plant (turbo machinery)

Acting Capacity: Arbitrator Administration: AAA

Location: Seattle

Parties: Italian and U.S.

Type of Dispute: Distributorship Agreement (Clothing)

Acting Capacity: Arbitrator Administration: ad hoc

Location: British Columbia
Parties: Canadian and U.S.

Type of Dispute: Construction of a Sailing Yacht

Acting Capacity: Arbitrator Administration: ad hoc

Location: British Columbia

Parties: Canadian

Type of Dispute: Stock Option Agreement

Acting Capacity: Arbitrator Administration: ad hoc

Location: British Columbia
Parties: Canadian and U.S.

Type of Dispute: Distributorship Agreement (high tech products)

Acting Capacity: Arbitrator Administration: ad hoc

Location: British Columbia
Parties: Chinese and U.S.

Type of Dispute: Warranties and Distributorship Agreement

Acting Capacity: Arbitrator
Administration: B.C.I.C.A.C.

Location: British Columbia
Parties: Canadian and U.S.

Type of Dispute: Distributorship Agreement (Food)

Acting Capacity: Arbitrator
Administration: B.C.I.C.A.C.

Location: British Columbia
Parties: Japanese and U.S.

Type of Dispute: Land Development Joint Venture

Acting Capacity: Arbitrator
Administration: ICC

Location: Seattle (Paris)
Parties: French and U.S.

Type of Dispute: Shareholders Agreement

Acting Capacity: Arbitrator Administration: ICC

Location: British Columbia
Parties: Korean and Canadian
Type of Dispute: Ship Construction

Acting Capacity: Counsel Administration: B.C.I.C.A.C.

Location: British Columbia
Parties: Japanese and German

Type of Dispute: Supply of Machinery Components

Acting Capacity: Counsel Administration: ICC

Location: Paris

Parties: Canadian and Yugoslavian

Type of Dispute: Construction of Industrial Plant (Chemical)

Acting Capacity: Counsel Administration: ICC

Location: London

Parties: Canadian (Russian) and English Type of Dispute: Commodity Supply Contract

Acting Capacity: Counsel

Administration: London Cocoa Association

Location: British Columbia
Parties: Australian and U.S.

Type of Dispute: Franchise Agreement (Musical Instruments)

Acting Capacity: Arbitrator Administration: ICC

Location: California

Parties: English and U.S. Type of Dispute: Railway Rolling Stock

Acting Capacity: Arbitrator
Administration: ad hoc (AAA)

Location: Washington, D.C.

Parties: British Virgin Islands and Bangladesh

Type of Dispute: Resource Development

Acting Capacity: Arbitrator Administration: ICSID

Location: British Columbia
Parties: Hongkong and English

Type of Dispute: Banking
Acting Capacity: Counsel
Administration: B.C.I.C.A.C.

Location: Alberta Parties: Canadian

Type of Dispute: Commodity Freight Rate

Acting Capacity: Counsel Administration: ad hoc

Location: British Columbia

Parties: Canadian and U.S.

Type of Dispute: Franchise Agreement (Computerized Financial Transactions)

Acting Capacity: Arbitrator Administration: ad hoc

Location: California

Parties: Malaysian, Hong Kong, Australian and U.S.

Type of Dispute: Franchise Agreement (Food)

Acting Capacity: Arbitrator Administration: AAA

Location: California

Parties: Australian and U.S.

Type of Dispute: Contract (Real Estate Finders Fee)

Acting Capacity: Arbitrator Administration: AAA

Location: Hong Kong

Parties: Canadian and Hong Kong Chinese

Type of Dispute: Food Supply

Acting Capacity: Counsel and consultant

Administration: Ad Hoc and Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre

Location: Texas

Parties: Argentinian, Turkmenistanian & British Virgin Islands

Type of Dispute: Petroleum Resource Development

Acting Capacity: Arbitrator Administration: ICC

Location: Minnesota

Parties: U.S. and New Zealand
Type of Dispute: Intellectual Property Transfer

Acting Capacity: Arbitrator Administration: ICC

Location: Vancouver Parties: Canadian

Type of Dispute: Business Dislocation

Acting Capacity: Counsel Administration: ad hoc

Location: Vancouver

Parties: Canadian
Type of Dispute: Construction
Acting Capacity: Arbitrator
Administration: B.C.I.C.A.C.

Location: Singapore

Parties: Japan and Australia

Type of Dispute: Construction (petroleum plant)

Acting Capacity: Arbitrator Administration: I.C.C.

Location: Seattle

Parties: Switzerland and U.S. Type of Dispute: Ship construction

Acting capacity: Arbitrator Administration: I.C.C.

Location: California

Parties: U.S. and Taiwan

Type of Dispute: Telecommunications and Intellectual Property

Acting capacity: Arbitrator Administration: AAA

Location: Texas

Parties: Japan and U.S. Type of Dispute: Agency Agreement

Acting capacity: Arbitrator Administration: AAA

Location: Calgary

Parties: Canada and Philippines
Type of Dispute: Oil and Gas Consortium

Acting capacity: Arbitrator Administration: ICC

Location: California

Parties: U.S. and Belgium

Type of Dispute: Licencing Agreement: Intellectual Property, Medical & Pharmaceutical

Research

Acting capacity: Arbitrator Administration: AAA

Location: Vancouver

Parties: U. S. and Canada Type of Dispute: Gas Supply Contract

Acting Capacity: Counsel Administration: BCICAC

Location: London

Parties: U.S. and England

Type of Dispute: Dissolution of Partnership

Acting Capacity: Consultant Administration: Ad Hoc

Location: Vancouver Parties: U.S. and Canada

Type of Dispute: Licensing Agreement - Fuel

Acting Capacity: Arbitrator Administration: BCICAC

Location: West Virginia
Parties: U.S. and Canada

Type of Dispute: Railway Car Hire – Final Offer

Acting Capacity: Counsel Administration: AAA

Location: Toronto

Parties: Canada and the U.S.

Type of Dispute: NAFTA Chapter 11 – investor state

Acting Capacity: Co-arbitrator
Administration: UNCITRAL Rules

Location: Chicago

Parties: U.S. and Canada

Type of Dispute: Software design contract

Acting Capacity: Counsel Administration: AAA

Location: Vancouver Parties: Canadian

Type of Dispute: Poultry Price – Final Offer Acting Capacity: Presiding Arbitrator

Administration: BCICAC

Location: Vancouver

Parties: Canada and China
Type of Dispute: Joint Venture
Acting Capacity: Counsel
Administration: Ad Hoc

Location: Vancouver
Parties: Canadian
Type of Dispute: Construction
Acting Capacity: Mediator
Administration: Ad Hoc

Location: Atlanta, Georgia
Parties: Canada and U.S.

Type of Dispute: Distribution of chemicals

Acting Capacity: Counsel Administration: AAA

Location: New York
Parties: U.S. and Mexico
Type of Dispute: Financial Services

Acting Capacity: Mediator Administration: CAMCA

Location: Vancouver
Parties: Canadian
Type of Dispute: Partnership
Acting Capacity: Mediator
Administration: Ad Hoc

Location: New York

Parties: Germany and U.S (Korea)
Type of Dispute: Ship construction (conversion)

Acting Capacity: Arbitrator Administrator: AAA

Location: Vancouver Parties: Canadian

Type of Dispute: Compensation for expropriation

Acting Capacity: Mediator Administration: Ad Hoc

Location: New York

Parties: Germany and U.S
Type of Dispute: Computer technology

Acting Capacity: Arbitrator Administrator: AAA

Location: New York
Parties: Italy and U.S.
Type of Dispute: Ship technology

Acting Capacity: Arbitrator Administrator: AAA

Location: New York

Parties: Slovak Republic and U.S.

Type of Dispute: Construction

Acting Capacity: Arbitrator Administrator: AAA

Location: Miami

Parties: Chile and U.S.

Breach of confidentiality

Type of Dispute: Acting Capacity: Arbitrator Administrator: AAA

Location: British Columbia Parties: Canadian

Type of Dispute: Native land tenure

Acting Capacity: Mediator

Administration: Ad Hoc

Vancouver Location:

Parties: Canadian and U.S.

Type of dispute: Acting capacity: Ship brokerage Arbitrator

Administration: Ad Hoc

ARBITRATION EXPERIENCE

SUMMARY TABLE

Туре	Administering Institution		Role			
	Name	Number of Arbitrations	Presiding Arbitrator	Sole Arbitrator	Co- arbitrator	Counsel
International Arbitrations	AAA	9	1	8		
	ICC	12	2	8		2
	LCIA					
	Ad Hoc	10	1	5	1	3
	Others: (BCICAC, ICSID, London Cocoa Associatio n)	10	2	4	1	3
Number of cases: sub-total		41	6	25	2	8
Domestic Arbitrations	Ad Hoc	6		3		3
	Others	6		2		4
Number of cases: sub-total		12		5		7
TOTAL		53	6	30	2	15