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Nationality: Swiss

EDUCATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

Master in European Mediation, Kurt Boesch Academic Institute, Sion, 2009; Master of Comparative Jurisprudence (M.C.J.), New York University School of Law, 1987; Licence en Droit (J.D.), University of Geneva School of Law, Geneva, 1983; Maturité Latine (B.A.), College of Geneva, Collège Claparède, Geneva, 1979;

Bar Admission, State Bar of Geneva, 1985.

LANGUAGES

French, English, understanding of German and Italian

PRESENT POSITION

Partner, Law Offices of Jean-Pierre and Christophe Imhoos & Partners, Geneva, since 1992; Consultant, International Trade Centre UNCTAD/WTO (Geneva), 1991 to present; Mediation Trainer with Groupement Pro-Médiation (GPM), Geneva, since 2008.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE BEFORE PRESENT POSITION

Expert-Juror for law exams of the High Management School (HES) Geneva, 1995-99; Counsel, International Court of Arbitration of the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC), Paris, 1987-91;

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Associate, Law Offices of Jean-Pierre Imhoos, Geneva, January 1986 - August 1986; Legal Training, Etude de Me. Roger Mock, Geneva, 1983-85.

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Practice in domestic and international litigation, arbitration and mediation in the fields of civil, contracts, corporate, commercial, banking, IP, IT and inheritance laws.

MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL BODIES

Member of the Panel of Arbitrators, American Arbitration Association;

Member of the Panel of Foreign Arbitrators, Arbitration Court of the Bulgarian Chamber of Commerce and Industry;

Member, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (Member of the Arbitration Committee from 1995 to 1998; Corresponding Member since 1997);

French Committee on Arbitration;

Geneva Bar Association:

Swiss Federation of Lawyers:

International Bar Association (Section on Business Law);

Member of the Panel of Arbitrators, Italian Chamber of Commerce for Switzerland;

London Court of International Arbitration (Individual Member through LCIA European Council);

Swiss Arbitration Association:

Member of ICC Commission on International Arbitration:

Member of the Panel of Arbitrators of the Swiss Commission on ICC Arbitration:

ICC Institute of World Business Law (Associate Member);

Member of the Geneva Chamber of Commerce and Industry

Association "MédiationS";

Swiss Chamber of Commercial Mediation (CSMC);

Groupement Pro-Médiation (GPM);

Association genevoise pour la médiation de quartier – ASMED (Community mediation; member of the Committee);

Swiss Federation of Mediation Associations;

Member of the International Academy of Collaborative Practitioners (IACP)

Kiwanis International, Genève-Lac (President 2000/2001);

Municipal Counsellor of the Commune of Vandoeuvres (Canton of Geneva).

MAJOR PUBLICATIONS

- From September 1995 to present Director of the Arbitral Chronicle of *International Business Law Journal/Revue du Droit des Affaires Internationales* (I.B.L.J./R.D.A.I.; Editor: Prof. Henry LESGUILLONS);
- "The New 1998 ICC Rules of Arbitration" article co-signed with Mr. Herman VERBIST and published in *International Business Law Journal/Revue du Droit des Affaires Internationales*, No. 8, 1997, pp. 989-1022; ; also published in Korean language in *Arbitration Journal of the Korean Commercial Arbitration Board* (KCAB), 1998, Vol. No. 290, pp. 53-74 and in English language in *ICA Arbitration Quarterly* (Indian Council of Arbitration), Oct.-Dec.1998, Vol. XXXV No. 3, pp. 4-24:
- "Le Nouveau Règlement d'Arbitrage 1998 de la Chambre de Commerce Internationale" (the New 1998 Arbitration Rules of the International Chamber of Commerce), article published in *Cahiers Juridiques et Fiscaux de l'Exportation* (C.J.F.E.), 1998, No. 2, pp. 397-411;
- "Le nouveau règlement d'arbitrage de la Chambre de Commerce Internationale et son impact sur les parties africaines" (New Arbitration Rules of the International Chamber of Commerce and their Impact on African Parties), article published in *Revue Camerounaise de l'Arbitrage*, No. 3, October 1998, pp. 7-15;
- "L'Acte uniforme relatif au droit de l'arbitrage dans le cadre du traité OHADA" (the Uniform Act regarding arbitration law under the Treaty for harmonization of business law in Africa

- ["OHBLA"]), article co-signed with Mr. Gaston KENFACK DOUAJNI published in *Revue Camerounaise de l'Arbitrage*, No. 5, April-May-June 1999, pp. 9;
- "The Arbitration Rules of the OHBLA Joint Court of Justice and Arbitration", article co-signed with Mr. Gaston KENFACK DOUAJNI published in *International Business Law Journal/Revue du Droit des Affaires Internationales*, No. 7, 1999, pp. 825-843;
- "Die ICC Schiedsgerichtsordnung in der Praxis" (the ICC Arbitration Rules in practice), book co-signed with Messrs. Erik SCHAEFER and Herman VERBIST, *Economica Verlag GmbH*, Bonn (Germany), January 2000, 304 pages with introduction from Dr. Robert BRINER, President of the ICC International Court of Arbitration
- "Iranian International Commercial Arbitration Act: The View Point from a Foreign Observer" article published in *International Business Law Journal/Revue du Droit des Affaires Internationales*, No. 4, 2000, pp. 508-519;
- "Arbitration and Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) How to settle international business disputes" book co-signed with Mr. Herman VERBIST and edited by the International Trade Centre UNCTAD/WTO, Geneva (Switzerland), Spring 2001 (also published in Spanish and French).

Stockholm Arbitration Report, 2003:1, pp. 110-118, award commentary.

- "ICC Arbitration in Practice" English edition of the French book mentioned above, co-signed with Messrs. Erik SCHAEFER and Herman VERBIST, *Kluwer Law International*, 2005
- "Le rôle de l'avocat en médiation commerciale" (The Role of Lawyers in Commercial Mediation) article publisihed in *CREATEURS*, *Le Magazine de la Création d'Entreprises*, No. 5, June 2008, p. 22;
- "La relation nouvelle entre l'arbitrage et la médiation" (The New Relation between Arbitration and Mediation)contribution published in "La gestion des conflits Manuel pour les praticiens" (Conflicts Management Hanbook for Practitioners), CEDIDAC, Lausanne (Switzerland), 2008.

EXPERIENCE IN ARBITRATION

Counsel for claimant and defendant parties in several cases (institutional and *ad hoc* arbitration matters related to international trade);

Sole arbitrator, party-appointed arbitrator and Chairman of arbitral Tribunal in numerous cases in ICDR (AAA), ICC, Swiss Chambers of Commerce, UNCITRAL, Bulgarian Chamber of Commerce or *ad hoc* international and domestic arbitrations;

Panelist appointed by the WIPO (mostly as sole panelist) in numerous for the settlement of domain name disputes under the Rules for Uniform Domain Name Dispute Resolution Policy (UDNRP) and under the Rules for Dispute Resolution Proceedings for .CH and .LI Domain Names:

Panelist in various seminars and colloquia on international commercial arbitration;

Panelist in seminars ("PIDA"; study of mock cases) organised by the Institute of World Business Law of the International Chamber of Commerce;

Visiting Expert at International Development Law Institute ("IDLI") in Rome (Italy) on arbitration practice.

EXPERIENCE IN MEDIATION

CEDR (Centre for Effective Dispute Resolution) Accredited Mediator, London, since March 2006; Swiss Chamber of Commercial Mediation (CSMC), Accredited Mediator, since September 2006, Accredited Mediator, since September 2006;

Swiss Federation of Lawyers (FSA), Accredited Mediator, since October 2006;

Registered mediator at the Mediators Registry of the Canton of Geneva, since November 2006 (Civil Mediator) and June 2008 (Mediator for Criminal Matters);

Swiss Federation of Mediation Association (SDM-FSM), Accredited Mediator since August 2008; Accredited Mediator, Mediation and Arbitration Center of Paris (CMAP), since November 2008; Legal counsel of a party in a commercial mediation under the auspices of the CMAP, February 2006.

Mediator in various commercial (contracts, corporate, IP), civil (family, community) and criminal (commercial) related matters, whether domestic or international.