

International Arbitration

Asia



King & Spalding's top-tier International Arbitration group has more than 90 members who have handled arbitrations under all of the major international arbitration rules, institutional as well as ad hoc. We have achieved a record of proven success in both investment and commercial arbitration obtaining awards ranging in amount from US\$10 million to over US\$1 billion.

- Band 1 for international arbitration worldwide by Chambers Global 2017.
- Band 1 for international arbitration in Singapore by Chambers Asia-Pacific 2018.
- Tier 1 for Singapore: international arbitration by Legal 500 2018.

In Asia, our international arbitration team comprises six partners and 14 other professionals servicing clients from Singapore and Tokyo. Led by **Wade Coriell**, who has handled several high-profile commercial and investment treaty arbitrations and currently leads four Asia-based disputes of over US\$1 billion each, our arbitration experts represent major oil companies, large and small independents, service companies, and state companies.

Representative Matters

Our Asia arbitration lawyers have represented clients in some of the world's most complex and high-profile energy arbitrations, including the following pending or recent engagements:

- Representing **ConocoPhillips Indonesia** in an UNCITRAL arbitration in London against an Indonesian gas pipeline operator. The tribunal awarded our client over US\$70 million plus compound interest and most of its costs.
- Representing **ConocoPhillips China** in two SIAC arbitrations in Singapore against an independent gas producer and its parent company. The dispute concerned coalbed methane assets in East Asia. English law governed. The Tribunal awarded our client US\$50 million in damages, interest and costs, and dismissed all counterclaims against it (valued at US\$150 million).
- Representing **Dow Chemical** as claimant in an ICC arbitration in London against Petrochemical Industries Company (PIC), which is wholly-owned by the State of Kuwait, arising out of a wide-ranging joint venture agreement. English law governed. The tribunal awarded our client damages, interest and costs of over US\$2.48 billion – one of the largest arbitration awards in history and the largest known ICC award. Dow received US\$2.2 billion in a direct cash payment from PIC.
- Representing **Shell** in a multibillion dollar ICSID arbitration against the Republic of the Philippines under the Netherlands-Philippines bilateral investment treaty. The dispute concerns revenue allocation for the Malampaya gas to power project. We recently obtained provisional measures in favour of our client.
- Representing a **Philippine conglomerate** with interests in major Philippine infrastructure projects in an SIAC arbitration in Singapore arising out of a shareholding dispute worth at least hundreds of millions of dollars.

“For high-level complex matters, their level of expertise is unmatched.”

Chambers Asia Pacific 2018, Singapore

King & Spalding has “a reputation for acting on the highest-profile investor-state disputes.

Prominent in matters involving the oil and gas sector”.

Chambers Asia Pacific 2017, Singapore

“King & Spalding LLP leads in global investment treaty cases and oil & gas matters”

Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2017, Singapore



“They have a winning formula.”
Chambers Asia Pacific 2017

“In energy in particular they’re market leading”
Chambers Asia Pacific 2016

- Defending a **Japanese listed company** engaged in petroleum and petrochemical business in an SIAC arbitration against an affiliate of an oil major. The dispute relates to the value of the claimant's one percent equity interest in a joint venture extinguished by merger.
- Representing an **oil and gas company** in an UNCITRAL arbitration in Thailand arising out of its counterparty's breaches of obligations under a joint operating agreement for the exploration, development, and operation of an oil field in South-East Asia.
- Representing a **South East Asian mining company** in an SIAC arbitration in Singapore against its joint venture partner.
- Representing a **South East Asian company** in an ad hoc arbitration in Singapore arising out of a contract for a light rail project in a South East Asian country.
- Representing **Samsung C&T Corporation** in multiple arbitrations and adjudications against different parties arising out of the engineering and construction of the Roy Hill Iron Ore project in Western Australia. A total of over US\$1 billion is in dispute.
- Representing a **nuclear reactor and services provider** in an ICC arbitration in an Asian country against a national power company arising out of the construction of a nuclear power plant. Hundreds of millions of dollars are at stake.
- Representing **one of the world's largest multinationals** as claimant in an HKIAC arbitration in Hong Kong against a publicly-traded Chinese joint venture party in the renewable energy sector. The tribunal awarded our client over US\$360 million (100% of relief claimed).
- Representing an **Indian business house** in an ICC arbitration in Singapore against its European joint venture partner. Indian law governed. Our client secured declaratory relief valued at over US\$200 million and an award of US\$5 million in costs.

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