

## Amy Frey

Partner

*Trial and Global Disputes / International Arbitration and Litigation*

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Amy Frey specializes in investment treaty arbitration, public international law and human rights law. A partner in our International Arbitration practice, Amy primarily represents clients with claims against foreign states arising from bilateral investment treaties and the Energy Charter Treaty. She has represented investors all over the world. Our International Arbitration practice is routinely named in the top five such practices globally and was named a 2016 Practice Group of the Year by *Law360*.

Amy counsels clients in arbitration under the rules of the International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes, the International Chamber of Commerce, the Stockholm Chamber of Commerce and the UN Commission on International Trade Law. She has represented investors in claims against Algeria, Argentina, Bangladesh, the Czech Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, Italy, Kazakhstan, Romania, Spain and Venezuela, and is experienced in requests for interim, injunctive relief and in annulment proceedings.

Recent matters have concerned complex tax and tariff disputes, including the application of customs duties on imports, changes to corporate income tax regimes, taxes on the export of oil and gas, transport pricing, and so-called “windfall profits” taxes.

In addition, Amy takes on public interest law and pro bono projects, particularly in human rights law. Matters include domestic violence, child abuse, asylum, juvenile delinquent status and human trafficking.

Fluent in English and French, Amy is listed in the 2016 *Legal 500 EMEA Guide* for Arbitration. She is a member of the bar in Texas, Washington, D.C. and Paris. She also holds a masters degree in International Human Rights Law from the University of Oxford.

### Matters

Obtained a multimillion-dollar award on behalf of **Moldovan nationals and their corporate entities** in an Energy Charter Treaty dispute against Kazakhstan.

Obtained a multimillion-dollar award on behalf of **Swedish nationals and their food and beverage companies** in an ICSID arbitration against an Eastern European state for breach of a BIT, which included challenges to European Union law.

Obtained a multimillion-dollar award on behalf of **a U.S. energy company** against Ecuador in a treaty dispute involving purported windfall profits taxes.

Currently representing more than a dozen **European-based renewable energy investors** with claims under the Energy Charter Treaty in disputes against Italy and Spain.

Represented **a Dutch company** in a BIT dispute against Algeria regarding unilateral modifications to agreed tax provisions.

Successfully defended **a water concessionaire** in ICSID annulment proceedings in which Argentina challenged the award rendered in our client's favor.

Represented **a major U.S. energy company** in a dispute with a South American state involving denial of justice by the local court system.

Represented **an energy company** in an ICSID arbitration against Ecuador for the unilateral modification of the participation formula in an oil and gas contract, in an arbitration that also involved emergency measures for domestic relief connected with human rights claims.

Represented **UAE investors** in bilateral investment treaty disputes involving land development contracts and licenses against the Arab Republic of Egypt, in an arbitration that also involved emergency measures for domestic relief connected with human rights claims.

Represented **a U.S. gas compression company** in a bilateral investment treaty dispute against Venezuela in relation to unilateral amendments to a contract.

Represented **an Indian company** in an ICC arbitration proceeding involving intellectual property disputes and breaches of licensing agreements in China, India and worldwide.

Advised **an African telecom company** in relation to attempts of a state to expropriate and/or dissolve its operations.

Advised **renewable energy investors** on potential Energy Charter Treaty disputes against Romania and Portugal.

## Credentials

### EDUCATION

LL.M., Oxford University, UK

J.D., Tulane University, cum laude

B.A., University of Mississippi, magna cum laude

### ADMISSIONS

District of Columbia

Texas

### LANGUAGES

French

## Insights

### ARTICLE

*September 4, 2020 • Source: Jus Mundi*

Arbitration Team of The Month (September) – King & Spalding

## CLIENT ALERT

March 1, 2021

One Step Closer: the Canada - EU Investment Court System

## NEWSLETTER

June 18, 2020

Energy Newsletter – June 2020

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## Events

### CONFERENCE

December 6, 2016

Client event at the Musée de l'Orangerie, Paris

## News

### IN THE NEWS

February 22, 2021 • Source: *Global Arbitration Review*

Global Arbitration Review profiles its GAR Interactive Energy event, which was co-chaired by Amy Frey

### RECOGNITION

July 16, 2021

Global Arbitration Review Names King & Spalding Top Two in International Arbitration

October 8, 2020

Le Point Magazine Recognizes King & Spalding Among the Top Law Firms in France

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