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Randall Walker specialises in disputes arising in the energy and infrastructure sectors. Ranked as a ‘**Next Generation Partner**’ for Energy and Infrastructure Projects by Legal 500 (UAE), he is described a “*disputes expert*” and “*name to note for energy arbitrations*”. As a partner in our international arbitration practice, Randall represents clients in a range of contentious matters throughout the Middle East, Africa, Asia and Europe.

Randall advises oil & gas, power and mining companies, as well as contractors/sub-contractors, on a broad range of issues throughout the lifecycle of a project, from construction and engineering matters through to commercial contracts typical in the energy sector. His energy experience includes up, mid and downstream oil & gas projects, LNG and FPSO facilities, petrochemicals plants, and power and water projects. He also acts on large-scale infrastructure projects, such as railways, roads and other construction matters.

Randall acts in international arbitration under the major rules, international commercial litigation and other forms of ADR, and conducts his own advocacy. He also advises on public international law issues (such as investment treaty protections, human rights, sanctions and UNCLOS).

The legal directories describe Randall as having an “*in-depth knowledge of dealing with complex high value disputes in the energy sector*”. He is also complimented for being “*very business oriented, and very close the client’s needs*”, as well as an “*excellent commercial lawyer*” known for “*providing recommendations not just advice*”.

Matters

An independent oil and gas exploration company in a dispute with its joint venture partner arising out of a joint bid agreement. The dispute concerned the proper allocation of participating interests in a Middle Eastern TSC, and associated JOA and farm-in agreements.

An international oil & gas company in a dispute with its EPC contractor concerning a US\$1.3bn project for the construction of central processing facilities and related infrastructure in Iraq. The dispute included related bond proceedings in Korea.

An international oil & gas company in relation to various claims concerning two exploration blocks in Kurdistan, including against the KRG, its JV partner and a potential purchaser.

A joint venture of international contractors on a significant rail infrastructure project in Dubai. The mandate includes two disputes with sub-contractors, bond proceedings, potential disputes with a consortium partner and project advisory work with the employer under the main contract. Total value of disputes well in excess of AED 1bn.

An international oil and gas exploration company, as operator, in two separate multiparty disputes concerning cash calls and related defaults with JOA partners in West Africa.

An international contractor in respect of the construction of a railway project in Abu Dhabi (being the largest rail project in the region currently).

A Middle Eastern EPC contractor in relation to a joint venture dispute with its partner concerning the construction of a power station in Saudi Arabia. Claim assessed at US\$350m.

Various international oil & gas companies and contractors in relation to investment treaty issues, including potential claims against host states and other advisory matters.

An independent oil and gas exploration company in disputes arising out of JOA, Farm-out and PSC agreements concerning offshore licences in a North African country.

An international oil and gas company on contentious issues concerning the interpretation of a TSC in the Middle East, and associated rights with its joint venture partners.

An independent oil and gas company in relation to a dispute concerning the renewal of a long-term concession agreement. The dispute is valued at over US\$150m.

An international energy company in disputes with its drilling contractor in Chad, Africa.

An international EPC contractor in respect of delay claims relating to the construction of the largest RO Desalination Plant in the GCC.

An international oil and gas company in a dispute with its EPC contractor over the construction of initial production facilities in Iraq. Over US\$450m in dispute.

An international contractor in a dispute with its Employer, an Omani government department, concerning the construction of roads and highways.

A subsidiary of an international oil supermajor in relation to the termination of a suite of agreements relating to the production and transportation of gas from offshore fields to the UK National Transmission System.

An international EPC contractor in relation to claims arising out of the construction of oil and gas facilities in Russia. Over US\$250m in dispute.

An international oil & gas company on various contentious matters with its joint venture partner and the KRG arising from assets in Kurdistan.

An international EPC contractor in relation to potential claims arising out of the construction of a power station in Oman.

An international EPC contractor in disputes concerning a petrochemicals facility in Saudi Arabia. The disputes include a related dispute in the local Dammam courts with a sub-contractor, as well as two disputes with the employer. US\$30m claimed.

An oil and gas company in disputes with its contractor concerning the construction of four offshore

topsides. Issues concerned defects, delay, liquidated damages and cost overruns.

A Turkish contractor in disputes with its employer concerning the construction of highways in Oman. OMR 25m in dispute.

An international oil services company in disputes with the employer concerning the construction of three offshore rigs. Over US\$60m in dispute.

An Omani conglomerate in relation to potential sanctions issues concerning a possible re-entry into Syria, and associated investment treaty protections.

An international oil & gas company in potential disputes with its joint venture partner and the KRG arising out of a sale and purchase agreement for assets in Kurdistan. The disputes relate to the interpretation of the relevant JOA and PSA, particularly in relation to change in control and pre-emption provisions, and include the issues relating to the performance of an operator and the development of the relevant blocks.

One of the world's largest independent power producers in a potential dispute with a Central Asian government concerning the interpretation of an Implementing Agreement and related Power Purchasing Agreement.

An oil and gas company in disputes with its drilling contractor concerning the performance of drilling operations for two onshore wells in Africa.

An international oil and gas exploration company in a dispute relating to shut-ins and lost production pursuant to a construction and tie-in agreement (Expert Determination).

An Omani oil and gas company in relation to disputes with a drilling services contractor.

Credentials

EDUCATION

LL.B., Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand

ADMISSIONS

Dubai International Financial Centre Courts
New South Wales
New Zealand

Insights

ARTICLE

March 1, 2021 • Source: The Oath
Another year of growth and progress

CLIENT ALERT

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August 2, 2021

Supreme Court Clarifies the Position Under English Law on Recovery of Liquidated Damages in the Event of Termination

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News

IN THE NEWS

December 31, 2020 • Source: The Oath

Construction and Energy Disputes partners Patrick McPherson and Randall Walker join the firm's Trial and Global Disputes practice group in Dubai

RECOGNITION

July 16, 2021

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

April 15, 2021

Legal 500 EMEA 2021 Recognizes King & Spalding among the Top Firms in Europe, the Middle East and Africa

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