

# Shareena Edmonds

Partner

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Shareena Edmonds is a construction lawyer, focusing on international arbitration and the resolution of disputes arising out of major international energy and infrastructure projects. She has represented owners and contractors in disputes concerning a number of complex, high value projects around the world, with a particular focus on oil, gas, power, offshore and shipbuilding projects.

Shareena has acted as counsel in international arbitrations under most of the major arbitral rules (including ICC, LCIA, UNCITRAL, LMAA).

As well as representing clients throughout the dispute resolution process, Shareena provides strategic advice and acts as project counsel, assisting clients to manage, and minimise, risk on claims and disputes during the project execution.

Shareena is recommended for Construction: Contentious in *Legal 500 UK 2022*, in which she is recognized as “professional and results-driven [...] she orchestrates her client’s case to perfection. She is a top-class talent”. She has also been recommended (and ranked Band 3) for Construction: International Arbitration in *Chambers UK 2021* and *2022*, which note:

*“She is an outstanding litigator with an excellent grasp of construction law and an innate instinct for the right answer.”*

*“She is a master at managing large, complex international arbitrations. She has a clear talent for orchestrating clear and cohesive case strategies which make the most of expert and witness evidence”*

In 2020, Shareena was named in the *Acritas Star Lawyer* database of stand-out lawyers nominated by clients’ senior in-house counsel for their exceptional client service.

## Matters

Advised a **consortium of multinational owners** on the assessment and resolution of significant claims and disputes relating to the construction of a mega LNG project in Qatar, including claims made under the respective contracts for the two LNG trains, common sulfur facility, storage tanks and the receiving terminal in the UK.

Advised a **Canadian gas exploration company** in respect of its rights under a Production Sharing Agreement granted by an African State Government, and other ancillary agreements, in anticipation of a significant dispute and consequential impacts to its investments in the region.

Represented an **oil major** in UNCITRAL arbitration proceedings (seat London), concerning its rights to undertake Exclusive Operations under a Joint Operating Agreement for a field in North Africa.

Advised an **oil major** in respect of its dispute with a drilling contractor, regarding the early demobilization of a drilling unit from a field in West Africa.

Represented a **U.S. contractor** defending a claim in the UK courts (Technology and Construction Court) concerning the construction of a pipeline offshore of West Africa.

Advised and represented an **Indian construction company** in respect of its claims under an EPC contract for a peat-fired power plant in East Africa, including in ICC emergency arbitration proceedings (seat Singapore) seeking to restrain a call on the bonds

Represented a **Saudi Arabian contractor** in ICC arbitration proceedings (seat Jeddah) concerning the design and project management of a power station in Saudi Arabia.

Represented a **European contractor** in UNCITRAL arbitration proceedings (seat Cairo) concerning works to upgrade the I&C systems at a power station in Egypt.

Represented a **U.S. energy company** in UK court proceedings (Technology and Construction Court and Court of Appeal) against an engineering company concerning the design of foundations for a power station in the Philippines.

Advised an **Asian contractor** undertaking early works in respect of a power plant in the Philippines, on the scope of its obligations and exposure in exiting the contract.

Advised a **Korean contractor** on the assessment and presentation of a range of high value and complex claims arising under an EPC contract for a large power plant in Saudi Arabia.

Advised a **Korean contractor** on a range of claims arising out of the construction of two major power plants in Saudi Arabia.

Advised a **European contractor** in connection with the assessment and resolution of potential claims by the owner, following an equipment failure at a power station, and the broader implications for the fleet.

Represented a **Korean contractor** in a dispute with a state entity, concerning delays and disruptions to a power project in Saudi Arabia.

Advised a leading **Korean contractor** on the assessment and resolution of claims for extensions of time and additional costs under a series of EPC contracts for a petrochemical expansion project in Saudi Arabia.

Advised a **Korean contractor** in connection with its claims concerning the construction of an LPG facility at a refinery in Kuwait.

Advised a **Korean contractor** on the assessment and resolution of its various claims arising out of the design and construction of a large gas project in the UAE.

Advised a **joint venture company** on claims arising out of the construction of a polyethylene plant in the UAE.

Advised a **Korean contractor** regarding significant claims for additional time and costs on a Fertilizer plant project in the UAE.

Advised a **Saudi Arabian contractor** on potential claims against the main contractor in relation to an aluminum smelter project in Qatar.

Advised the **EPC joint venture contractor** in disputes with the owner concerning the design and construction of a copper project in Zambia.

Advised a **Korean contractor** in respect of the resolution of a dispute regarding its alleged failure to meet performance guarantees for a water treatment plant in the Middle East.

Advised an **international contractor** in respect of its significant claims against a state entity, and ancillary disputes with subcontractors, following the termination of its EPC contract for a waste facility in the UAE.

Represented a **European contractor** on the resolution of claims and disputes arising under an NEC3 contract for the upgrading and uprating of a nuclear power plant.

Advised a European contractor for a major nuclear power project, on the presentation and pursuit of its significant claims for additional time and costs.

Represented a leading **German contractor** in adjudication proceedings under a contract with the operator, for waste retrieval, processing and storage facilities at a nuclear power plant in Eastern Europe.

Advised a **European consortium** supplying major equipment as part of an upgrade of a nuclear power station in Northern Europe.

Advised a **large renewable energy** company in relation to disputes arising from the termination of a contract for the construction of a hydropower project in Turkey.

Advised a **joint venture contractor** in respect of its claims against a state entity concerning the design of a hydropower project in Pakistan.

Advised a **global agribusiness** on a series of disputes connected to the design and implementation of works to deliver energy savings at various of its plants around the world.

Represented a **global agribusiness** in NAI arbitration proceedings (seat Amsterdam) concerning a Romanian oil seed and biodiesel joint venture.

Represented a **major commodities company** in LCIA arbitration proceedings (seat London) concerning its claim for damages resulting from an equipment failure at an oil extraction plant in the Ukraine.

Advised a **European transportation and logistics company** on claims and disputes arising under a contract for the construction of a port in South East Asia.

Advised a **terminal operating company** on claims and disputes arising under a concession agreement for a port in Nigeria.

Represented a **Japanese contractor** in ICC arbitration proceedings (seat Colombo) concerning its

significant claims for time and costs against the owner of a major highway project in Sri Lanka.

Advised a **Korean contractor** on its claim for additional time and costs on an airport project in Oman.

Represented the **owner in an ICC arbitration** (seat London) against its Italian contractor concerning delay to the construction of a five-star hotel in Kiev.

Advised a **global hospitality company** in respect of claims and potential disputes arising during the execution phase of an offshore supply contract for a luxury hotel in KSA

Advised an **asset management company** in respect of the assessment of potential cladding claims for a number of hotels within its UK portfolio.

Advised an **Italian subcontractor** on its claim for recovery of a bonus payment relating to a major infrastructure project in Latin America.

Represented a **US civil contractor** in ICC arbitration proceedings (seat Geneva) concerning a Joint Venture Agreement for the construction of a bridge in the UK.

Represented a **US aerospace company** in UNCITRAL arbitration proceedings (seat London) against a state entity concerning its claims under an aircraft modification agreement.

Advised an **owner** in respect of the assessment and settlement of significant claims and counterclaims arising during the execution phase of an FLNG project.

Represented a **Korean shipyard** in LMAA arbitration proceedings (seat London) concerning the cancellation of a contract for the construction of a semi-submersible drilling rig.

Advised an **oil major** in respect of the assessment and resolution of claims against the contractor in relation to the delayed and defective construction of an FPSO vessel.

Represented a large **European shipbuilding company** in an LCIA arbitration (seat London) concerning the design and construction of a number of survey vessels.

Advised a **Korean shipyard** on the assessment and presentation of its claims for extensions of time and additional costs arising under a contract for the design and construction of a specialist decommissioning vessel.

Represented a **European shipyard** in LMAA arbitration proceedings (seat London) relating to the design and construction of a superyacht.

## Credentials

### EDUCATION

Legal Practice Course, Nottingham Law School, UK  
B.A., University of Nottingham, England, honors

### ADMISSIONS

England and Wales

### ASSOCIATIONS

Society of Construction Law

### LANGUAGES

German

# Recognition

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LEGAL 500 UK, 2022

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LEGAL 500 UK, 2022

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Recommended for Construction: International Arbitration Band 3

CHAMBERS UK, 2022, 2021

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“She is a master at managing large, complex international arbitrations. She has a clear talent for orchestrating clear and cohesive case strategies which make the most of expert and witness evidence”

CHAMBERS UK, 2022

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“An outstanding litigator with an excellent grasp of construction law and an innate instinct for the right answer.”

CHAMBERS UK, 2021

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“Shareena’s strengths are her ability to make complex issues understandable and her exceptional client management.”

CHAMBERS UK, 2021

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"She manages to make construction disputes intelligible to non-specialists. She has command over her subject area and her case management skills exhibit an equally strong grasp of both tactics and strategy."

CHAMBERS UK, 2021

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Recommended for International Arbitration

LEGAL 500 UK, 2021

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“extremely diligent and effective. Cuts through complicated and complex matters with her no-nonsense approach. Somebody in whom I would have absolute confidence in doing a stellar job”

LEGAL 500 UK, 2021

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“very bright with brilliant client management and expert management skills”

LEGAL 500 UK, 2021

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“a pleasure to work with” ... “an automatic choice for complex energy and process projects.”

LEGAL 500 UK, 2021

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Named in the inaugural Lawdragon Global Litigation 500

LAWDRAGON, 2021

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Named Star Lawyer in database of stand-out lawyers nominated by clients’ senior in-house counsel for their exceptional client service

ACRITAS STAR LAWYER, 2020

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## Insights

### CLIENT ALERT

*August 16, 2021*

Equality of Arms Between Experts: English High Court Offers Forceful Reminder by Excluding Expert Evidence Mid-Trial

*August 2, 2021*

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

### NEWSLETTER

*September 22, 2021*

The Critical Path – September 2021

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## Events

### SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

*September 15, 2021*

Shareena Edmonds to Speak at International Construction Law Conference 2021

## News

### IN THE NEWS

*September 22, 2021* • Source: *KCL Law*

Shareena Edmonds discusses the problems with joint ventures at the International Construction Law Conference 2021

### RECOGNITION

*October 21, 2021*

King & Spalding Earns Multiple Rankings in Chambers UK 2022 Guide

*September 30, 2021*

King & Spalding Earns Multiple Rankings in Legal 500 UK 2022 Guide

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