

# Vanessa R. Benichou

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Vanessa Benichou delivers business results in international litigation, arbitration and transactional matters. A partner in our Construction Litigation and Intellectual Property, Patent and Trademark Litigation practices, Vanessa is a recognized leader on gaming law issues under both French and EU law. She practices Mediation and is a Mediator.

Experienced at representing companies in unfair business practice, advertising and entertainment matters, Vanessa also focuses on intellectual property disputes, commercial lease and contract, construction, and business litigation. She often assists businesses in dealing with distribution arrangements and franchise agreements.

Vanessa is fluent in English, Hebrew and French, and conversant in Spanish.

## Matters

Representation of the **French Government** before French courts and before the Indian Supreme Court in connection with the dismantling of the military aircraft carrier Clémenceau in India.

Representation of **La Française des Jeux (the French State Lottery company)**, before the Criminal Court of Paris in a case brought pursuant to a complaint by the producers of the hit French movie, “Les Choristes,” and the cinema industry, for conspiracy of piracy and trademark infringement because its advertising was available on peer-to-peer websites where the movie was offered for illegal downloading.

Representation of **La Française des Jeux (the French State Lottery company)**, before the Paris Commercial Court in a case brought by a majority of its network's members alleging a wrongful termination of their distribution contracts and asking for damages in an amount of €550 million.

Representation of Canada-based **Caisse de Dépôt et Placement du Québec**, in a lawsuit involving claims of wrongful termination of credit related to bankruptcy of a France-based company.

Representation of a **Lebanese company** in an ICC Arbitration against the French company Sodexho International, regarding a wrongful termination of a joint venture.

Representation of the French leading hairdresser network company, **Provalliance**, in a litigation regarding wrongful termination of distribution contracts and trademark infringement.

Representation of the French leading hairdresser network company, **Provalliance**, in a litigation brought by its main competitor for unfair business.

Representation of an **international grain trading company**, in a couple of arbitration proceedings before the International Arbitration Chamber of Paris, regarding the application and the interpretation of the provisions of an international trading contract.

## Credentials

### LANGUAGES

French

## Events

### CONFERENCE

*December 6, 2016*

Client event at the Musée de l'Orangerie, Paris

*May 12, 2016*

Petit-déjeuner : Third party funding

## News

### CASES & DEALS

*October 26, 2016*

King & Spalding Secures Victory for La Française des Jeux, the French National Lottery

### IN THE NEWS

*September 25, 2018 • Source: Décideurs Magazine*

Vanessa Benichou takes on OMP role in the Paris office

### RECOGNITION

*June 12, 2015*

Option Droit et Affaires Magazine Recognizes King & Spalding Attorneys for International Arbitration, Acquisition Litigation

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