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David MacArthur is a specialist in international arbitration and is Co-head of the firm's International Arbitration practice.

A US-qualified lawyer with over 15 years' experience in civil-law jurisdictions, David acts as counsel and arbitrator. As a leading member of a globally ranked arbitration practice since 2006, David has represented clients in dozens of international arbitrations across Asia, Europe and North America in a wide variety of complex and high-stakes disputes in the automotive, aircraft, IP, life sciences and medical, post-M&A, online gaming, shipbuilding and construction, telecommunications and other industries.

In addition to his arbitration practice experience, David has also acquired the critical "soft skills" of proficiency in the cultures, languages and legal systems of East Asia.

Recognized in Who's Who Legal, Chambers and Partners, The Legal 500 and other peer-reviewed rankings, David has served in a number of leadership and influence positions, including as founding Co-chair of "KCAB Next," a professional development organization under the auspices of KCAB INTERNATIONAL and as a member of the Silicon Valley Arbitration and Mediation Center's Asia Task Force.

He also acts as arbitrator and has been appointed to the approved arbitrator lists of the HKIAC (Hong Kong), JCAA (Japan), KCAB (Korea), AIAC (Southeast Asia) and WIPO (World Intellectual Property Organization).

David is admitted to the Utah State Bar (USA) and is a member of the International Bar Association (IBA), the Inter-Pacific Bar Association (IPBA), the Japan Association of Arbitrators (JAA) and other organizations.

Practice Areas

Dispute Resolution

International Arbitration Alternative Dispute Resolution

International Litigation and Cross-Border Disputes IP Disputes IT Related Disputes

Trade Secret Disputes Pharmaceutical Disputes

Topics

Articles

Mar 2022

Getting the Deal Through - Arbitration 2022 (Japan Chapter)

Achievements
Feb 18, 2022

Chambers Global 2022

Achievements
Jan 13, 2022

The Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2022

Practice Groups

Dispute Resolution Group

Background

1996	Brigham Young University (B.A.)
2000	Florida State University (M.A.)
2003	University of Utah S.J. Quinney School of Law (J.D.), Admitted to the Bar Utah
2003 - 2005	Parsons Behle & Latimer, Salt Lake City, Utah
2005 - 2006	Foreign Attorney, Nagashima, Ohno & Tsunematsu
2006 - 2020	Bae, Kim & Lee LLC

Publications

Getting the Deal Through - Arbitration 2022 (Japan Chapter)	Getting the Deal Through - Arbitration 2022	Mar 2022
Getting the Deal Through - Investment Treaty Arbitration 2022 (Japan Chapter)	Getting the Deal Through - Investment Treaty Arbitration 2022	Nov 2021

Chambers Global Practice Guides - International Arbitration 2021 -Trends and Developments- (Japan Chapter)	Chambers Global Practice Guides - International Arbitration 2021	Aug 2021
GAR Know how Construction Arbitration 2021 (Japan Chapter)	Global Arbitration Review	Jul 2021
The KORUS FTA investor-state dispute settlement scheme controversy: Should American investors be worried? in Collected Essays on International Arbitration in Honor of Neil Kaplan, QC	Sweet and Maxwell	Jan 2012
Lost in Translation in International Arbitration: Practical Issues and Tips	Korean Arbitration Review, Vol. 2	Jan 2012
Arbitration Law of Korea: Practice and Procedure	Juris Publishing	Jan 2011
NAFTA Chapter 11: On an Environmental Collision Course with the World Bank?	Utah Law Review	Jan 2003

Achievements

Feb 18, 2022	Chambers Global 2022
Jan 13, 2022	The Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2022
Dec 16, 2021	Chambers Asia-Pacific 2022
Nov 30, 2021	Who's Who Legal: Arbitration 2022
Feb 19, 2021	Chambers Global 2021

Professional Admissions

Utah (2003)
 Gaikokuho Jimu Bengoshi (foreign registered lawyer) (2022)

Professional and Academic Associations

Utah Bar Association
 International Council Commercial Arbitration (ICCA)
 American Chamber of Commerce in Korea (AMCHAM)
 Daini Tokyo Bar Association

Languages

English (first language) Japanese Korean