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Educational/Professional Memberships

Academic Qualifications

LLB, University of Auckland Law School, 1965
LLM, Harvard Law School, 1966
Visiting Scholar University of Virginia Law School, USA, 1978
Visiting Fellow Cambridge University, UK, 2002
Honorary Professor, Faculty of Law, University of Auckland

Professional Qualifications

Admitted as a barrister to:

- New Zealand Bar (1965)
- English Bar (Lincoln's Inn) (2003)
- New South Wales Bar (1987)
- Victorian Bar (1987)
- Australian Capital Territory Bar (1986)
- Cook Islands Bar (1998)

Current Memberships

- New Zealand Bar Association
- Arbitrators and Mediators Institute of New Zealand (Past President/Fellow)
- Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (Fellow and Chartered Arbitrator)
- Court of Arbitration for Sport (Panel of Arbitrators)
- International Council on Commercial Arbitration (ICCA) (Council Member)
- International Bar Association (Former Chair of the Sub-Committee on Investment Treaty Arbitration)
- International Law Association (Member of Committee on International Commercial Arbitration and International Law of Foreign Investment)
- International arbitration panels (Member of many international arbitration panels including ICSID (nominee of NZ Government))
- London Court of International Arbitration
- Swiss Arbitration Association

Current Positions

International commercial arbitrator
President of the Court of Appeal of the Cook Islands
Honorary Professor of Law at the University of Auckland

Professional Experience

David A R Williams QC is a graduate of the University of Auckland (LLB, 1965) and of Harvard University (LLM, 1966). He was a commercial litigation partner in the leading Auckland law firm, Russell McVeagh, from 1969–1984. He is a member of the New Zealand, Australian and English Bars. From 1992 to 1994, he was a judge of the High Court of New Zealand. He is an associate member of Essex Court Chambers, London.

Experience at the Bar

Barrister at Law 1985–1991, 1995–
Queen's Counsel, 1987

Judicial Experience

Justice of the High Court of New Zealand, 1991–1994

Part-time judicial appointments

Justice of the High Court of the Cook Islands 2000–2005

Chief Justice of the Cook Islands 2005–2010

Justice of the Court of Appeal of the Cook Islands 2010–2014

President of the Court of Appeal of the Cook Islands 2014–

Justice of the Court of the Dubai International Financial Centre 2007–2013.

Arbitration Experience

Mr Williams has developed a global international arbitration practice through which he has been involved, either as counsel or arbitrator, in over 140 international arbitrations. He has extensive experience as an international arbitrator in ad hoc, ICC, LCIA, AAA, and SIAC arbitrations in disputes involving oil and gas concessions, commodities pricing, joint ventures, licensing disputes, reinsurance, political risk insurance, power and infrastructure projects, construction, commercial contracts, and pharmaceutical industry disputes. Mr Williams has also conducted numerous investment treaty arbitrations under both the ICSID Arbitration Rules and the UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules. In addition, Mr Williams has sat on many sports arbitration panels under the auspices of the Court of Arbitration for Sport.

Publications

Together with Amokura Kawharu, Mr Williams is co-author of *Williams and Kawharu on Arbitration* (LexisNexis, 2011), New Zealand's first comprehensive treatise on domestic and international arbitration which was awarded the JF Northey Prize in 2012 for the best law book published in New Zealand in 2011. He has contributed chapters to other works, including: Muchlinski, Ortino and Schreuer (eds) *The Oxford Handbook of International Investment Law* (OUP, 2008); Brown and Miles (eds) *Evolution in Investment Treaty Law and Arbitration* (Cambridge UP, 2011); Pryles and Moser (eds) *The Asian Leading Arbitrators' Guide to International Arbitration* (JurisNet, 2007); Rowley (ed.) *Arbitration World* (The European Lawyer, 2006 and 2010); and Newman and Ong (eds) *Interim Measures in International Arbitration* (JurisNet, 2014). For some years he was the joint arbitration editor of the New Zealand Law Review.

Languages

English