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## **Education/Professional Memberships**

Mr Kaplan is a law graduate of King's College, London and a Bencher of the Inner temple. He has been called to the Bars of England and Wales, Hong Kong, New York and Victoria.

Since 1995, he has been a Council Member and now Governing Board Member of the International Council of Commercial Arbitration (ICCA) and in 2012-2016 he was a Member of the ICC International Court of Arbitration. He is a Chartered Arbitrator and a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, the Hong Kong Institute of Arbitrators and the Singapore Institute of Arbitrators. Additionally, he is a panelist of several other arbitral institutions.

### **Current Position**

Independent Arbitrator at Arbitration Chambers

# Professional Experience

Mr Kaplan has been a full-time arbitrator since 1995. Called to the Bar of England and Wales in 1965, he has practiced as a barrister, Principal Crown Counsel at the Hong Kong Attorney General's Chambers, and served as a Judge of the Supreme Court of Hong Kong in charge of the Construction and Arbitration List. He has been a Queen's Counsel since 1982 and was a founder and first head of Des Voeux Chambers in Hong Kong.

From 1991 until 2004, he was Chairman of the Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre, and in 1999-2000 he was President of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators.

He was also Chairman of the disputes review board for Hong Kong's new airport at Chek Lap Kok (1995 to 2000), Chairman of the WTO Review Panel for Hong Kong (1999-2006), and Chairman of the Telecommunications Appeal Board (2007-2013). Since 2017, Mr Kaplan has been the President of the Court of the Mauritius Chamber of Commerce and Industry Arbitration and Mediation Centre. In 2020, he was appointed first President of Delos Dispute Resolution's board of advisers.

### **Arbitration Experience**

Mr Kaplan has been involved in several hundred arbitrations as co-arbitrator, sole arbitrator or chairman. These arbitrations have included a wide range of commercial, infrastructure and

investment disputes, under the auspices of the ICC, HKIAC, LCIA, PCA, SIAC, SCC, ICSID and CIETAC. Mr Kaplan's investment treaty cases under ICSID and UNCITRAL both as presiding arbitrator and co-arbitrator have involved Timor-Leste, Hungary, Croatia, Vietnam, Indonesia, Cambodia, Ecuador, Iran, India, Ukraine, Russia, Thailand, Korea, Nigeria, and Saudi Arabia.

#### **Publications**

Mr Kaplan is the author of numerous articles, speeches, and books on international arbitration. A non-exhaustive list can be found, along with other resources and a more detailed CV at <u>www.neil-kaplan.com</u>

#### Languages

English