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OVERVIEW

Bilal Khattab is an associate and a member of the Litigation and Dispute Resolution practice, and International Arbitration practice group. He focuses on international arbitration and high-value cross-border disputes, acting for clients across the construction, energy, pharmaceuticals, finance, media, and digital assets sectors.

Bilal has extensive experience in LCIA, ICC, and UNCITRAL arbitrations, as well as complex High Court proceedings, including challenges under the Arbitration Act 1996. His practice is international in scope, with particular experience involving the Middle East, North America, and Europe.

Bilal is a strong supporter of pro bono work, and regularly provides assistance to Kids in Need of Defense (KIND), the Design Museum, and South West London Law Centres. He has also provided support to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Prior to joining the firm, Bilal served as a trainee solicitor for a global law firm. Through this role, he gained experience in a variety of practices, including international arbitration; insurance, financial, and professional disputes: property and cyber liability; projects and construction; and planning and real estate.

Bilal also has experience in the financial services industry having previously worked for one of the Big Four banks in the UK.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Recognised by *The Legal 500 United Kingdom* edition as a Recommended Lawyer for Insurance Litigation: For Policyholders in London, 2024, 2027

EDUCATION

- Legal Practice Course, BPP Law School, 2020
- LL.B., London School of Economics Law, 2018

ADMISSIONS

- Solicitor of the Senior Courts of England and Wales

LANGUAGES

- Arabic

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP *POWERED BY HUB*

- 1 July 2024, PFAS and Other Emerging Alleged Contaminants Litigation: Mitigating Risk Through Insurance
- 3 August 2023, Consumer Rights and Public Policy Prevent Recognition of Crypto US Arbitration Award in England

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Commercial Disputes
- Insurance Recovery and Counseling
- International Arbitration

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Acting for the claimant, a leading pharmaceutical company, in a Section 68 AA 1996 challenge before the High Court.
- Acting for a state-related Qatari organization on an LCIA arbitration relating to its termination of a project delivery agreement, including claims and counterclaims arising out of the late delivery of the project.
- Advising an industrial hemp producer based in Canada in litigation following the defendant's failure to subscribe for multimillion-pound convertible loan notes under a subscription agreement.
- Representing a major transportation solutions policyholder in several ad hoc arbitrations (London and Bermuda seats) seeking coverage under tower of excess liability policies for large truck accident liability verdict.
- Acting for a decentralised finance platform, pursuant to a request from a blockchain infrastructure developer and crypto business, to assist in the recovery of stolen crypto assets.
- Representing a leading antique jewellery dealer in successfully resolving an insurance coverage dispute arising from armed robbery.
- Acting for the claimant, a commodity trading and mining company, in an LCIA arbitration regarding a price review under a long-term liquefied natural gas (LNG) supply agreement.

- Acting for a superyacht owner in a Commercial Court claim for sums owed pursuant to a parent company guarantee.
- Representing owners of luxury BVI hotel resort in ad hoc London seated arbitration in connection with dispute with insurers of Construction All Risks and Delay in Start Up insurance programme.
- Advising a US-based mining technology company on potential courses of action to restrain the sale of shares in a joint-venture partner to Chinese state-owned and sanctioned entities, including potential actions in the English, Cayman, and Australian courts.
- Acted for insurers on the Supreme Court FCA test case over business interruption claims prompted by the Covid-19 pandemic.
- Acted for a major oil and gas exploration and production company in a London seated ICC arbitration against an African government following breach of the production sharing agreement.
- Acted for an African state owned copper mining company in a London seated UNCITRAL arbitration against a multinational mining investor company following a breach of the shareholder agreement.
- Acted for a major oil and gas exploration company in an ICC arbitration seated in London, against a state-owned company in the Middle East, following breaches of the Exploration and Product Sharing Agreement and the Senior Management Agreement.
- Acted for an EPC contractor in a Technology Construction Court claim regarding the defective design of a hospital.