

Emma Lidström

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OVERVIEW

Emma Lidström is a senior associate and a member of the firm's Litigation and Dispute Resolution practice and International Arbitration practice group. Emma is an experienced disputes lawyer with a varied commercial practice, acting for clients across a range of sectors in the English civil courts and in arbitration. Emma has primarily worked on disputes in the energy, construction, and transport sectors, as well as international (re)insurance coverage disputes and has experience with State-Investor disputes. She has worked on commercial disputes in the UK and oversees arising out of the "built" environment including infrastructure, engineering, and property damage disputes. She has been involved in complex multiparty High Court litigation, arbitrations under the ICC and LCIA rules as well as dispute resolution (including mediation).

Emma is interested in renewable energy, the emerging world of ESG, as well as the legal challenges arising from climate change

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Prior to joining the firm, Emma served as an associate in the London office of an international law firm where she focused her practice advising and acting for clients on a wide range of domestic and international matters. She primarily focused on commercial disputes in the construction, energy, infrastructure, engineering, transport, and property industries. She gained experience in complex multiparty High Court litigation, dispute resolution (including mediation) including professional negligence and contract disputes, (re)insurance policy coverage disputes/analysis in the UK and overseas, in particular Latin America.

Emma was also a member of her previous firm's ESG/Renewable Energy Risks team.

ACHIEVEMENTS

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

ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND

Emma completed her training contract with a US law firm in London. She is bilingual (Swedish and English) with an international background. Born in Sweden, and lived in Malaysia, the United Kingdom, and the Netherlands.

EDUCATION

- Legal Practice Course, BPP Law School, 2017
- LL.B. , King's College of London School of Law, 2016 *(Upper Second Class Honours)*
- LL.B., Leiden Universiteit, 2015 *(Upper Second Class Honours)*

ADMISSIONS

- Solicitor of the Senior Courts of England and Wales

LANGUAGES

- English
- Swedish

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP *POWERED BY HUB*

- 11 September 2026, Carbon Quarterly–Volume 14
- 26 January 2026, Carbon Quarterly–Volume 13
- 14 January 2026, Current Trends in Climate Change Litigation: A Snapshot of Risk and Insurance Considerations
- 25 July 2024, Litigation Minute: Extreme Weather and Natural Disasters: Insurance Tips for Commercial Policyholders
- 3 July 2024, Arbitration World: The Road to Net Zero and the Implications for the World of International Arbitration–Part 1
- 27 June 2024, Important Lesson for the Aviation Industry and other Commercial Policyholders: Exclusive Jurisdiction Clauses in Insurance Policies are Not Always Enforced
- 2 May 2024, Extreme Weather and Natural Disasters - Insurance Tips for Commercial Policyholders
- 5 February 2024, Litigation Funding: A New Era?

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Commercial Disputes
- Construction and Infrastructure Dispute Resolution
- Energy Disputes
- Insurance Recovery and Counseling
- International Arbitration
- Professional Liability

INDUSTRIES

- Energy
- Oil and Gas
- Rail and Roads
- Transportation and Logistics

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Advising a European gas buyer as claimant in an ICC arbitration valued at over US$5 billion concerning the cessation of supply by the seller and later termination by the buyer of a long-term gas supply contract for the supply of all the pipeline natural gas to be supplied to a European country.
- Acting for a major international contractor based in Hong Kong on a dispute in the Technology and Construction Courts against its subcontracts and insures arising from the defective design and construction of various balconies in a landmark residential apartment block in London.
- Advising FTSE 100 financial institution in relation to claims under professional liability and directors' and officers' liability policies arising from complex litigation and regulatory issues, including representing clients in mediation and settlement negotiations.
- Acting for the Republic of France in a number of court and arbitration proceedings in connection with the loss of the M/T Prestige (including a Commercial Court, and then Court of Appeal, appeal of an arbitration award on a point of law).
- Defended a project management company in a multiparty professional negligence claim in the technology and construction courts following delays in connection with the construction of a mixed retail development.
- Advised on a dispute regarding policy exposure in respect of a large mining operation in Latin America causing over US$300 million in damage.

- Advised on a policy coverage dispute regarding a pub chain operator who suffered interruption as a result of the COVID pandemic.
- Assisted on a investor-state dispute for indirect expropriation without compensation regarding an investment in a seabed phosphate deposit.
- Advising a London museum pro bono in relation to insurance considerations concerning a particular and unique exhibition.
- Advising a nonprofit visual arts and community organisation pro bono in relation to a dispute with an artist regarding ownership of artwork.
- Advising an UK-based charity and nonprofit company pro bono that works to provide access to environmental justice for all individuals and communities.