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OVERVIEW

Jonathan Blaney is a counsel with the firm. His practice encompasses complex commercial, construction, energy and infrastructure work.

Jonathan has advised clients on matters in Europe, the Middle East, Africa and Australia in connection with oil and gas, LNG (megaproject), nuclear new build, airports, reservoirs, greenfield rail and metro schemes, telecoms, stadiums, water treatment and processing facilities, power plants, renewables and related infrastructure.

Jonathan has provided advice on contract administration, claims management, dispute avoidance as well as discrete counseling during the lifecycle of projects to ensure issues are addressed early and interests are properly protected before the commencement of any formal dispute resolution process. Jonathan has a particular focus on seeking to assist clients with issues and disputes arising under EPC contracts on complex, largescale plants or developments.

Jonathan has knowledge of public international law and experience with international arbitration in both civil and common law jurisdictions having advised on, or acted under, various institutional arbitration rules on matters of significant value and complexity, often where billions of dollars may be at stake.

Jonathan is a member of various industry focused groups connected with construction, investor state arbitration and international commercial arbitration. This includes the Rising Arbitrator Initiative and Young ICSID (International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes) amongst others. Jonathan has also authored, edited, presented, attended or been mentioned in connection with events or articles on arbitration in the LNG sector, Price review arbitrations under English Law, the new normal in context of the COVID-19 pandemic as well as the use of expert witnesses to resolve complex issues.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Before joining K&L Gates, Jonathan worked at leading international law firms.

ADMISSIONS

- Solicitor, Scotland

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP *POWERED BY HUB*

- 12 June 2020, JOA Disputes, Energy/Oil and Gas Industry, and International Arbitration Trends (*Webinar*)
- 2 April 2020, COVID-19: Force Majeure in the State of Qatar (*Alerts/Updates*)

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- Co-author, “K&L Gates: The H2 Handbook - Middle East,” August 2021

AREAS OF FOCUS

- International Arbitration
- Construction and Infrastructure
- Construction and Infrastructure Dispute Resolution
- Offshore Construction
- Oil and Gas
- Rail and Roads
- Water and Wastewater

INDUSTRIES

- Energy
- Energy Disputes