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## CERTIFICATIONS

CFA Charterholder

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Member of the CFA Institute, ICCA, l'Association Française d'Arbitrage, and the Swiss Arbitration Association

## EDUCATION

Master in Public Policy, Harvard Kennedy School

BA Philosophy, Politics, Economics, Oxford (first class honours)

## LANGUAGES

English

French

James Nicholson founded and leads FTI Consulting's 20-strong Paris disputes team, co-ordinates the firm's International Arbitration practice in the EMEA region, and is a member of the firm's EMEA Leadership Team. James is a CFA charterholder, and holds degrees in economics and public policy; his work primarily involves issues of the identification and valuation of lost profits, and the valuation of businesses, financial assets including shareholdings, and other assets, and of wasted costs.

James is President of the Standing Committee of the ICC's International Centre for ADR, which advises the Centre in the application of the ICC's Expert Rules.

James was identified by The International Who's Who of Commercial Arbitration as one of the few 'Most Highly Regarded Individuals' in Europe in its 2015 (5 identified), and 2016 and 2017 (10 identified) rankings of more than 160 expert witnesses active in commercial arbitration. Over the years this survey has described James as "the best-regarded" expert, "the most respected expert", "first class", and "outstanding". James has been listed in this survey, and the related surveys published by Who's Who Legal, since their inception in 2010.

James has testified before commercial and investment treaty tribunals on 25 occasions. An ICC tribunal recently awarded a claimant more than \$500m based on the damages testimony of James and a colleague.

James has recently acted as expert for separate claimants in the media and energy sectors seeking damages greater than \$1bn, worked with a respondent in the consumer goods industry facing similarly-sized claims, and supported a MENA-region government in a \$bn+ telecoms acquisition, among other matters.

James is a frequent presenter at industry conferences, often presents to law firms on damages and expert issues, and has acted as an expert witness at advocacy workshops organised by the Foundation for International Arbitration Advocacy (FIAA), the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CIArb), and with a number of individual law firms.

James has worked with investors, corporates and governments across the globe. Much of James' current work relates to the MENA region and/or francophone countries.

James relocated to Paris from London in 2007. Between 1996 and 2003 James worked as a consultant for a blue chip strategy consulting firm. From 2007 to 2012 James was a non-executive Director of F&C Zircon, a hedge fund managed by F&C Asset Management, a leading UK-based investment management group.

The CFA Institute has awarded James the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst designation. James holds a Master in Public Policy degree from Harvard University's Kennedy School of Government, where he was a Fulbright Scholar and focused his studies on business, government, and finance. James was awarded first class honours in his BA from Oxford University in Philosophy, Politics, and Economics.