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Biography

Epaminontas Triantafilou's broad experience in international arbitration includes roles as counsel to private corporations and sovereign governments, as well as legal counsel at the Permanent Court of Arbitration in The Hague, secretary to several international arbitral tribunals, and legal assistant to leading arbitrator Charles N. Brower.

Mr. Triantafilou has participated in arbitrations concerning power projects, water concessions, construction, shipping, aviation, financial instruments, pharmaceuticals, mining, and oil and mineral exploration in several regions around the world, including Europe, the Middle East, Central Asia, Southeast Asia, and Latin America. He has extensive experience in disputes arising under UNCITRAL, ICSID, ICC, and LCIA arbitration rules, often involving multiple parties. He has also been involved in cases under the SCC, VIAC and AAA arbitration rules. Mr Triantafilou's case experience spans a wide spectrum of government contracts and concessions, joint ventures, construction agreements, and financial instrument covenants.

Legal 500 UK has cited Mr Triantafilou for his "remarkable intellect" and recommended him for international arbitration during the past three years. *Chambers and Partners* describes him as "exceptionally bright" with an "impressive reputation among clients and peers alike" for investment treaty arbitration, noting in particular "the patient and measured manner in which he explains extraordinarily complex matters." He has also been cited for being "extremely user-friendly" and possessing "deep knowledge of investment treaty arbitration" by leading members of the arbitration community. He serves as Co-Managing Editor of the *World Arbitration & Mediation Review*, and as Member of the Executive Committee of the Institute of Transnational Arbitration. Mr Triantafilou has spoken and written extensively on international arbitration topics, and has delivered lectures on international law and arbitration at universities in the United States, the United Kingdom, and the Netherlands.

Notable Representations

- Counsel to a major banking institution in a landmark bilateral investment treaty claim
- Counsel to a major Russian group on an investor-state claim against a CIS state relating to a debt arising out of energy investments
- Counsel to a group of entities and individuals in a shareholder dispute with a major financial institution
- Counsel to an EPC contractor in an investment treaty claim against the Czech Republic
- Counsel to a money transfer services company in an agency dispute
- Counsel to two mining companies in connection with claims against Indonesia regarding a coal mining concession.
- Counsel to a group of 60,000 Italian bondholders who brought a claim for over US\$ 1 billion against Argentina for losses sustained during the country's financial collapse in 2001.
- Counsel to a major US energy company in connection with a power project in Turkey.
- Counsel to the Republic of the Philippines in parallel ICSID and ICC proceedings concerning claims of over US\$ 1 billion arising from a major airport concession.

Practice Areas

- International Arbitration
- Energy Sector Disputes
- Construction Litigation

Education

The University of Chicago Law School

(J.D., 2005)

Chicago Journal of International Law:

Comments and Developments Editor

Alexander S. Onassis Scholar

Victor McQuiston Scholar

Brandeis University

(M.A., Comparative Politics, 2002; B.A., Politics, 2000)

Admissions

The State Bar of New York; The District of Columbia Bar

Languages

- English
- Greek
- German
- Spanish

Prior Associations

Permanent Court of Arbitration:

Legal Counsel, 2011-2012

The Hon. Charles N. Brower, Arbitrator, 20 Essex St. Chambers:

Legal Assistant, 2010-2011

White & Case LLP:

Associate, 2005-2010

Awards

- Gillis Wetter Memorial Prize for Essays in the Field of International Arbitration (2008)

Publications and Lectures

- Co-editor, *Practicing Virtue: Inside International Arbitration* (Oxford 2015)
- Panelist, *Taxation and International Investment Law*, University of Luxembourg (2015)

- Panelist, *Inaugural Working Seminar on Group Claims in Arbitration*, Queen Mary University, London (2015)
- Co-Editor, *Getting the Deal Through: Investment Treaty Arbitration* (2013-present).
- Co-organizer, Conference on Investment Risk and International Dispute Resolution, Athens, Greece (2014).
- Guest Lecturer in investment treaty arbitration, School of International Arbitration, Queen Mary University of London (2013-present).
- Chapter, "England and Wales as the Venue of Arbitration" in Claudia T. Solomon and Michael Ostrove (eds.), *Choice of Venue in International Arbitration* (2014) (with Stephen Jagusch).
- Chapter, "Three Cautionary Notes for Investor State Arbitrators on the Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties", in C. Bao and F. Lautenschlager (eds.) *Liber Amicorum Neil Kaplan* (2012) (with Charles N. Brower).
- Commentator, *The Role of Courts in Aid of International Arbitration*, ITA Winter Forum, San Francisco, CA (2012).
- Invited contributor on behalf of LCIA Young International Arbitrator Group, *Kluwer Arbitration Blog* (2008-present).
- Guest Lecturer, *The Recent Practice of the Permanent Court of Arbitration*, Washington & Lee University Law School (2011).
- Guest Lecturer, *The Greek Legal System and its Implications for Foreign Direct Investment*, Indiana University, Bloomington (2011).
- Article, *The Public Interest And Third Party Participation In Investment Arbitration*, 5 *Berkeley J. Int'l L. Publicist* 39 (2010).
- Panelist, *Towards Transparency in International Arbitration*, Riesenfeld Symposium, Boalt Hall, UC Berkeley (2010).
- Panelist, *Exhaustion of Local Remedies and Denial of Justice*, ILSA-ASIL Conference, Washington, DC (2010).
- Panelist, *The Most Important Cases in Investment Arbitration*, International Bar Association Conference, Madrid, Spain (2009).
- Article, *Amicus Briefs In Investor-State Arbitration After Suez v. Argentina*, 24(4) *Arbitration Int'l* 571 (2008).
- Article, *Taxation as Expropriation: Some Observations on EnCana v. Ecuador*, *Transnat'l Dispute Mgmt.* (2006).
- Comment, *Appealing Arbitral Awards: Some Insights from Behavioral Law & Economics*, 21(8) *Int'l Arb. Rep.* 39 (2006).
- Comment, *Eroding Norms of Revenge in Countries with Weak State Authority*, 10 *UCLA J. Int'l L. & Foreign Aff.* (2006).

Professional Activities

- Co-Managing Editor, *World Arbitration & Mediation Review*
- Member, Executive Committee, Institute for Transnational Arbitration
- Member, American Society of International Law
- Member, Young International Arbitration Group, London Court of International Arbitration
- Member, ICDR Young & International
- Member, American Bar Association