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# **DUBLIN** INTERNATIONAL DISPUTES WEEK **2023**





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INTERNATIONAL

**JUNE 6-9, 2023**  
**DUBLIN CITY HALL**

**PRINTWORKS AT DUBLIN CASTLE**

# DUBLIN INTERNATIONAL DISPUTES WEEK 2023

## TIMETABLE

TUESDAY, JUNE 6, 2023	WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7, 2023	THURSDAY, JUNE 8, 2023	FRIDAY, JUNE 9, 2023
<p><b>8.00am-10.00am</b> BDO, McStay Luby, Grant Thornton, KPMG, and EY Venue: Chartered Accountants House, Pearse Street, Dublin 2 Title: Beyond the numbers: expert evidence and the human element in disputes <a href="#">REGISTER HERE</a></p> <p><b>9.30am-10.30am</b> Addleshaw Goddard Venue: Virtual Title: Fraud in complex cross-border disputes <a href="#">REGISTER HERE</a></p> <p><b>11.30am-12.45pm</b> Law Society of Ireland Alternative Dispute Resolution Committee event. Sponsored by Brian J. McMullin Solicitors Venue: Main lecture theatre, Education Centre, Law Society of Ireland, Blackhall Place, Dublin 7 Title: Effective management and deployment of methods of dispute resolution to achieve the best outcome. Irish and international perspectives <a href="#">REGISTER HERE</a></p> <p><b>1.00pm-2.30pm</b> Byrne Wallace Venue: 88 Harcourt St, Saint Kevin's, Dublin, D02 DK18 Title: The first 72 hours – the legal dos and don'ts for in-house counsel and senior management when managing a crisis <a href="#">REGISTER HERE</a></p> <p><b>2.00pm – 3.00pm</b> Dentons Venue: Virtual Title: In the middle of a chain reaction - securing best outcomes in international trade disputes <a href="#">REGISTER HERE</a></p> <p><b>2.45pm – 3.45pm</b> Society of Construction Law/Adjudication Society/CI Arb Venue: Dublin Dispute Resolution Centre, Distillery Building, 145-151 Church Street, Dublin 7 Title: Statutory adjudication and natural justice <a href="#">REGISTER HERE</a></p> <p><b>3.00pm-4.15pm</b> A&amp;L Goodbody Venue: Westbury Hotel, Balfe Street, Dublin 2 Title: International tax disputes <a href="#">REGISTER HERE</a></p> <p><b>4.00pm-5.00pm</b> EU Bar Association Venue: Gaffney Room, 145-151 Church Street, Dublin 7 Title: Superleague case/LIV Golf dispute with European Tour <a href="#">REGISTER HERE</a></p> <p><b>4.00pm-5.00pm</b> CI Arb Venue: Dublin Dispute Resolution Centre, Distillery Building, 145-151 Church Street, Dublin 7 Title: Kenneth McQuillan memorial lecture, delivered by Prof. Dr Mohamed Abdel Wahab <a href="#">REGISTER HERE</a></p> <p><b>5.00pm – 6.00pm</b> RDJ Venue: Virtual Title: Data breach claims under the GDPR <a href="#">REGISTER HERE</a></p> <p><b>6.30pm-8.30pm</b> DIDW opening cocktail reception Venue: Dublin City Hall</p>	<p><b>Main Conference – Printworks, Dublin Castle</b></p> <p><b>8.00am-9.00am</b> Registration, tea/coffee and pastries</p> <p><b>9.10am-9.15am</b> Welcome from Conference Co-Chair – Brian Clarke, Maples</p> <p><b>9.15am-9.30am</b> Keynote open address: Attorney General of Ireland, Mr Rossa Fanning SC</p> <p><b>9.30am-10.15am</b> Panel 1: Diversity and inclusion panel</p> <p><b>10.15am-11.15am</b> Panel 2: Global trends in insolvency and restructuring</p> <p><b>11.15am-12.00pm</b> Networking tea/coffee break</p> <p><b>12.00pm-1.00pm</b> Panel 3: Aviation disputes/impact of sanctions in aviation sector/insurance</p> <p><b>1.00pm-2.30pm</b> Lunch – buffet Kindly sponsored by Disco </p> <p><b>2.30pm-3.30pm</b> Panel 4: General counsel perspectives</p> <p><b>3.30pm-4.00pm</b> Networking tea/coffee break</p> <p><b>4.00pm-5.00pm</b> Panel 5: International arbitration/litigation funding</p> <p><b>7.00pm-11.00pm</b> CONFERENCE DINNER KING'S INNS Guest speaker: President of the High Court, Ireland – The Hon. Mr Justice David Barniville</p>	<p><b>Main Conference – Printworks, Dublin Castle</b></p> <p><b>9.00am-10.00am</b> Registration, tea/coffee and pastries</p> <p><b>10.00am-10.05am</b> Welcome from Conference Co-Chair – Karyn Harty, Partner (Dublin) and Global Co-Chair of Disputes, Dentons</p> <p><b>10.05am-11.05am</b> Panel 6: Crypto and fraud</p> <p><b>11.05am-11.30am</b> Networking tea/coffee break</p> <p><b>11.30am-12.30pm</b> Panel 7: Environmental/ ESG/ greenwashing claims</p> <p><b>12.30pm-2.00pm</b> Lunch – buffet Kindly sponsored by Disco </p> <p><b>2.00pm-3.00pm</b> Panel 8: Judicial panel</p> <p><b>3.00pm-3.30pm</b> Closing remarks</p> <p><b>3.30pm-4.00pm</b> Closing refreshments</p> <p><b>4.00pm-5.00pm</b> Ogier Leman and Burford Capital Venue: The Stables, Lennans Yard, 21A Dawson Street, Dublin 2 Title: Networking reception <a href="#">REGISTER HERE</a></p> <p><b>5.00pm-6.00pm</b> Clark Hill Venue: Virtual Title: ESG and energy-related disputes – Ireland, EU and the US <a href="#">REGISTER HERE</a></p> <p><b>6.00pm-7.00pm</b> William Fry/Arbitration Ireland Venue: William Fry, 2 Grand Canal Square, Dublin 2, D02 A342 Title: ADR – an alternative in environmental and climate disputes? <a href="#">REGISTER HERE</a></p>	<p><b>9.00am-10.00am</b> Hayes Venue: Hayes Solicitors, Lavery House, Earlsfort Terrace, Dublin 2, D02 T625 Title: Representative actions and collective redress – a new dawn! <a href="#">REGISTER HERE</a></p> <p><b>11.30am-12.30pm</b> Mason Hayes &amp; Curran Venue: Mason Hayes &amp; Curran LLP, South Bank House, Barrow Street, Dublin 4, D04 TR29 Title: Third-party litigation funding for insolvency practitioners – perspectives for Ireland <a href="#">REGISTER HERE</a></p> <p><b>1.00pm-2.00pm</b> McCann Fitzgerald Venue: Virtual Title: Russian sanctions: recent developments, liability and risk – an international perspective from the EU, UK, US and Ukraine <a href="#">REGISTER HERE</a></p>

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# TUESDAY JUNE 6, 2023

TIME: 8.00AM-10.00AM

## **BDO, McSTAY LUBY, GRANT THORNTON, KPMG, AND EY** IN PERSON

Venue: Chartered Accountants House, Pearse Street, Dublin 2  
Title: Beyond the numbers: expert evidence and the human element in disputes

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TIME: 9.30AM-10.30AM

## **ADDLESHAW GODDARD**

VIRTUAL

Title: Fraud in complex cross-border disputes

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TIME: 11.30AM-12.45PM

## **LAW SOCIETY OF IRELAND ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION COMMITTEE EVENT. SPONSORED BY BRIAN J. MCMULLIN SOLICITORS** IN PERSON

Venue: Main lecture theatre, Education Centre, Law Society of Ireland, Blackhall Place, Dublin 7  
Title: Effective management and deployment of methods of dispute resolution to achieve the best outcome – Irish and international perspectives  
Speakers: The Hon. Ms Justice Eileen Roberts, Judge of the Irish High Court and Prof. Dr Mohamed Abdel Wahab CArb, FCIArb, renowned International Arbitrator and many more.

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TIME: 1.00PM-2.30PM

## **BYRNE WALLACE**

IN PERSON

Venue: 88 Harcourt St, Saint Kevin's, Dublin, D02 DK18  
Title: The first 72 hours – the legal dos and don'ts for in-house counsel and senior management when managing a crisis

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TIME: 2.00PM-3.00PM

## **DENTONS**

VIRTUAL

Title: In the middle of a chain reaction - securing best outcomes in international trade disputes  
Speakers: Dan Bodle (London), Roberto Fabio Lipari (Rome), Sean Stephenson (Toronto) and Ipshita Chaturvedi (Singapore).

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TIME: 2.45PM-3.45PM

## **SOCIETY OF CONSTRUCTION LAW/ADJUDICATION SOCIETY/CIArb** IN PERSON

Venue: Dublin Dispute Resolution Centre, Distillery Building, 145-151 Church Street, Dublin 7  
Title: Statutory adjudication and natural justice

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TIME: 3.00PM-4.15PM

## **A&L GOODBODY**

IN PERSON

Venue: Westbury Hotel, Balfe Street, Dublin 2.  
Title: International tax disputes  
Guest speakers: Alex E. Sadler, Partner in Morgan Lewis & Bockius LLP's Washington DC office and Hendrik Bogers, an international tax consultant

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TIME: 4.00PM-5.00PM

## **EU BAR ASSOCIATION**

IN PERSON

Venue: Gaffney Room, 145-151 Church Street, Dublin 7  
Title: Superleague case/LIV Golf dispute with European Tour

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TIME: 4.00PM-5.00PM

## **CIArb**

IN PERSON

Venue: Dublin Dispute Resolution Centre, Distillery Building, 145-151 Church Street, Dublin 7  
Title: Kenneth McQuillan memorial lecture  
Speakers: Prof. Dr Mohamed Abdel Wahab

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TIME: 5.00PM-6.00PM

## **RDJ**

VIRTUAL

Title: Data breach claims under the GDPR

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## THURSDAY JUNE 8, 2023

TIME: 4.00PM-5.00PM

**OGIER LEMAN AND BURFORD CAPITAL**  
IN PERSON

Venue: The Stables, Lennans Yard, 21A Dawson Street, Dublin 2  
Title: Networking reception

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TIME: 5.00PM-6.00PM

**CLARK HILL**  
VIRTUAL

Title: ESG and energy-related disputes – Ireland, EU and the US

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TIME: 6.00PM-7.00PM

**WILLIAM FRY/ARBITRATION IRELAND**  
IN PERSON

Venue: William Fry, 2 Grand Canal Square, Dublin 2, D02 A342  
Title: ADR – an alternative in environmental and climate disputes?

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## FRIDAY JUNE 9, 2023

TIME: 9.00AM-10.00AM

**HAYES**  
IN PERSON

Venue: Hayes Solicitors, Lavery House, Earlsfort Terrace, Dublin 2, D02 T625  
Title: Representative actions and collective redress – a new dawn!

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TIME: 11.30AM-12.30PM

**MASON HAYES & CURRAN**  
IN PERSON

Venue: Mason Hayes & Curran LLP, South Bank House, Barrow Street, Dublin 4, D04 TR29  
Title: Third-party litigation funding for insolvency practitioners – perspectives for Ireland

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TIME: 1.00PM-2.00PM

**MCCANN FITZGERALD**  
VIRTUAL

Title: Russian sanctions: recent developments, liability and risk – an international perspective from the EU, UK, US and Ukraine

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# DUBLIN INTERNATIONAL DISPUTES WEEK 2023

Dublin International Disputes Week 2023 (DIDW2023) is a new forum for international practitioners and general counsel, providing access to thought leaders and prominent international practitioners specialising in litigating complex cross-border disputes. Part of the Government of Ireland's Ireland for Law initiative, the week will feature a range of physical and virtual events, including a two-day conference, round tables, seminars and social events showcasing local Irish expertise in collaboration with a range of international panellists.

Recognising the specialist nature of the strategic management of international litigation, DIDW2023 offers a fantastic programme of

panel sessions, discussing the key issues facing litigators and corporate litigants, including: insolvency and cross-border restructuring; fraud and asset recovery; intellectual property; product liability; tech and data disputes; international arbitration; post-Brexit enforcement; and, judicial co-operation, with practical perspectives and strategic analysis from a wide range of subject matter experts. Ireland's unique position as the only remaining English-speaking common law jurisdiction in the European Union, and the significant growth in complex international litigation and transactions through the Irish High Court make Dublin the ideal venue for exploring the key issues facing international litigators and general counsel.

## TICKET PRICES:

**Main conference ticket: €350**

Including attendance at Monday's opening reception, Tuesday/Wednesday's conference sessions and the conference gala dinner

**Conference sessions on Tuesday/Wednesday ticket €250 (including opening reception)**

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**Main conference – two days = 10 CPD points**



**WELCOME: DIDW  
CONFERENCE  
GALA DINNER,  
KING'S INNS**

**SARA PHELAN SC,  
CHAIR OF THE BAR OF IRELAND**

Sara is a Senior Counsel with a broad breadth of practice areas, including personal injury/medical negligence law, crime, child/family law and judicial review/non-jury, with further interests in chancery, probate and mental health matters. Sara also has a keen interest in ADR and is both a qualified mediator (CEDR) and arbitrator (FCIArb). Sara was called to the Bar in 1996, having previously qualified (TCD, 1988) and practised as a pharmacist for a number of years. She took silk in 2013, and in 2019, Sara was admitted to the Bar of England & Wales and is a member of Middle Temple. Sara has been an elected member of the Council of the Bar of Ireland since 2019, and Chair of the Bar of Ireland since September 2022.



**KING'S INNS:  
KEYNOTE SPEECH:  
DIDW CONFERENCE  
GALA DINNER**

**JUNE 7, 2023 – 7.00PM-11.00PM**

**THE HON. MR JUSTICE DAVID BARNVILLE, PRESIDENT, HIGH COURT OF IRELAND**

David Barnville is the President of the High Court of Ireland. He was appointed a judge of the High Court in December 2017 after almost 27 years in practice as a barrister and senior counsel. He was the judge in charge of the Commercial Division of that Court (2019-2021).

He was also designated as the Arbitration Judge under the Arbitration Act 2010 to hear all arbitration-related matters in the High Court prior to his appointment to the Court of Appeal. He assumed that role again following his appointment as President of the High Court in July 2022. He was also previously the judge in charge of the Strategic Infrastructure List in the High Court (2018-2019).

David was appointed to the Court of Appeal in August 2021. He was appointed President of the High Court in July 2022. In July 2018, David was appointed as a member of Ireland's National Group on the Permanent Court of Arbitration in The Hague.

## DUBLIN CITY HALL – DIDW OPENING COCKTAIL RECEPTION

**JUNE 6, 2023 – 6.30PM-8.30PM**

City Hall is the headquarters of Dublin City Council and the place where the Lord Mayor and city councillors hold meetings to discuss present and future plans for Dublin. It was originally built as the Royal Exchange and was completed in 1779. It was used by the merchants of Dublin as a financial centre until Dublin Corporation bought the building in 1851.

## PRINTWORKS AT DUBLIN CASTLE

**WEDNESDAY JUNE 7, 8.00AM-5.00PM**

**THURSDAY JUNE 8, 9.00AM-4.30PM**

Printworks at Dublin Castle is one of Ireland's premier conferencing spaces. Located in the heart of Dublin, the facility is ideally located to many of the city's best hotels. Dublin Castle is one of the most historic buildings in the capital, with its story stretching back over 800 years.

8.00AM-9.00AM REGISTRATION

9.10AM-9.15AM



WELCOME FROM CONFERENCE CO-CHAIR –  
BRIAN CLARKE, MAPLES

9.15AM-9.30AM



KEYNOTE OPEN ADDRESS: ATTORNEY GENERAL  
OF IRELAND, ROSSA FANNING SC

Rossa was appointed as Attorney General of Ireland on December 17, 2022. In that role, he attends Cabinet as the legal adviser to the Government and the chief law officer of the State. Prior to his appointment as Attorney General, he was a senior counsel in private practice at the Irish Bar, with a varied caseload spanning commercial law, public law and judicial review, professional negligence, product liability, defamation and privacy law.

9.30AM SESSION BEGINS

# PANEL 1: DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION

DATE JUNE 7, 2023

TIME 9.30AM-10.15AM



**MODERATOR:**  
**GERARD JAMES**

*William Fry, Dublin*

Gerard is a Partner in the William Fry LLP Litigation and Investigations department. He is a commercial litigator and experienced practitioner in the area of ADR. He is a member of the Executive Committee of Arbitration Ireland. He is a founding committee member of the OUTLaw Network, which promotes and drives inclusion of LGBT+ people and allies in the Irish legal sector.

## SPEAKERS



**ANTOINETTE MORIARTY**

*Head of Psychological Services, Law Society of Ireland*  
Antoinette is a psychotherapist and heads up the Law Society of Ireland's Psychological Services. She was nominated OUTLaw Champion in 2020 in recognition of her work in support of diversity and inclusion in the legal community. Antoinette is a member of the International Bar Association's Professional Well-being Commission and sits on the advisory board of the IBA's European Regional Forum mental health working party.



**TIERNAN BRADY**

*Clifford Chance, UK*

Tiernan is the Global Director of Inclusion at Clifford Chance. He was Director of the Equality Campaign, the successful Australian marriage equality campaign and Political Director of Yes Equality, the successful Irish campaign for marriage equality – the first two countries to enact marriage equality by public vote. He was policy director of GLEN, the Irish LGBT+ NGO.



**DR SAHAR AHMED**

*Assistant Professor, Sutherland School of Law, University College Dublin*

Sahar joined the Sutherland School of Law at UCD as Assistant Professor in September, 2022. Sahar graduated from the University of London's International Programme at The Institute of Legal Studies, Lahore, Pakistan, in 2010 with an LLB (Hons) degree. She then went on to undertake the Bar Professional Training Course at The City Law School, London, being called to the Bar of England and Wales in 2011, and is a barrister member of the Honourable Society of Gray's Inn.



**BAIRBRE O'NEILL SC**

*The Bar of Ireland*

Bairbre is a senior counsel in private practice at the Irish Bar. Her principal areas of practice are commercial litigation, public law and judicial review. She is a graduate of University College Dublin, Trinity College Dublin, Yale Law School and the King's Inns. She previously worked as an attorney in New York.

# PANEL 2: GLOBAL TRENDS IN INSOLVENCY AND RESTRUCTURING

DATE JUNE 7, 2023

10.15AM-11.15AM



**MODERATOR:  
MICHAEL QUINLAN**

*RDJ LLP*

Michael is a Partner at RDJ LLP's Dispute Resolution Department specialising in insolvency and restructuring. He has extensive experience in advising liquidators and receivers (statutory and non-statutory), in relation to property contentious litigation and enforcement. He also advises companies, creditors and insolvency practitioners in insolvency processes including SCARP, examinership and winding up. He was recognised as a rising star for insolvency and corporate restructuring in *The Legal 500*.

## SPEAKERS



**AISLING DWYER**

*Maples, Hong Kong*

A barrister by training, Aisling specialises in complex, high-value, international cross-border litigation and acts in some of Asia's largest offshore corporate, insolvency/restructuring and shareholder disputes. She is an expert in contentious matters in both the Cayman Islands and the British Virgin Islands, and has a particular interest in take-privates, statutory mergers, contentious valuations and schemes of arrangement. She is Asia Regional Director of IWIRC International, a past Co-Chair of IWIRC Hong Kong and a Director of the Company and Insolvency Law Society in Hong Kong. She is ranked as a leading individual by *The Legal 500* and in *Chambers and Partners*, and has been listed as a Who's Who Legal Thought Leader – Mainland China and Hong Kong SAR in 2021 and 2022 in the field of restructuring and insolvency.



**DECLAN MCDONALD**

*PwC, Partner, Advisory, Business Restructuring Services*

Declan leads the Business Recovery Services practice for PwC in the Republic of Ireland. He is based in the PwC Dublin offices with staff based in Dublin, Cork and Limerick. He has over 25 years of experience in corporate insolvency and restructuring having acted as receiver, examiner and liquidator across a range of sectors including hospitality, construction, property, retail, engineering, distribution, motor and software among others. He acts for financial institutions, government entities, private equity firms, hedge funds and distressed corporates in dealing with insolvencies, deleveraging plans, asset disposals, turnaround and restructuring plans. He has been engaged across a range of case types from individual asset receiverships and small business insolvencies right through to restructuring businesses within listed groups and PLCs. Declan is a graduate of University College Dublin and a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Ireland.



**DAVID O'DEA**

*McCann FitzGerald LLP, Dublin*

David specialises in corporate restructuring and insolvency matters. He regularly acts for international and local corporates on complex schemes of arrangement. He also regularly acts for insolvency office-holders (examiners, receivers and liquidators), financial institutions, directors and shareholders, and is experienced in both contentious and non-contentious corporate recovery and turnaround matters.



**JOSHUA DWYER**

*Managing Director at Interpath Advisory, UK*

Joshua is a chartered accountant and licensed insolvency practitioner with over 20 years' experience working on advisory assignments and formal restructuring appointments across a number of industries, many with cross-border elements. He combines his business turnaround and restructuring skills in the development and implementation of business recovery and value preservation strategies for both large corporates and external stakeholders.

11.15AM-12.00PM  
NETWORKING TEA/COFFEE BREAK

# PANEL 3: AVIATION DISPUTES/IMPACT OF SANCTIONS IN AVIATION SECTOR/INSURANCE

DATE JUNE 7, 2023

12.00PM-1.00PM



**MODERATOR:**  
**APRIL MCCLEMENTS**

*Matheson, Dublin*

April is a partner in Matheson's Commercial Litigation Group. She is a commercial litigator with a particular expertise in insurance disputes. She advises on the full spectrum of insurance and reinsurance disputes, in particular complex coverage disputes, and has been involved in the most significant insurance disputes in Ireland for the last number of years. She is an advocate for ADR and regularly acts for clients in mediation and arbitrations, including under international arbitration rules. She won Lawyer of the Year for Insurance and Reinsurance at the EMEA Women in Business Law Awards in 2022 and is recognised by *The Legal 500* as a Leading Individual for Insurance.

## SPEAKERS



**PAUL GARDINER SC**

*The Bar of Ireland*

Paul was called to the Bar in 1987 and to the Inner Bar in October 2000. He has appeared as counsel in many significant commercial litigation cases, and acted as arbitrator both domestically and internationally, while also appearing as counsel in many arbitrations. He is an accredited mediator with the CEDR, and has acted as mediator in a number of significant commercial disputes.



**GEMMA HEALY-MURPHY**

*McMillan, Toronto*

Gemma is a Toronto-based litigation and dispute resolution lawyer with particular expertise in leasing, construction, product liability and insurance coverage disputes. She has successfully appeared at all levels of court in Ontario, including the Ontario Court of Appeal. In 2022, she established the Canada Ireland Bar Association and also currently serves on the Board of Directors of the Irish Canadian Immigration Centre.



**SIOBHAN CONNOLLY**

*Interpath, Dublin*

Siobhan is an aviation executive with 28 years' experience in the aircraft leasing sector working for two industry leaders – GPA and GECAS. Her expertise includes commercial negotiations, restructurings and risk management. Prior to departing GECAS in 2022 she was Head of Global Restructuring and Managing Director of Risk & Portfolio Management. Siobhan joined Interpath Advisory in April 2022, to head up their Aviation Advisory Division. A qualified Chartered Accountant, she graduated from the IOD Chartered Directorship Programme in September 2022.



**RICHARD EVANS**

*Clifford Chance, London*

Richard is a partner in Clifford Chance's Global Asset Finance Group. Richard acts for borrowers, investors and financiers on a wide range of asset finance transactions, specialising in aviation. His experience covers a wide range of financing structures, including full and limited recourse operating lease financings, direct airline financings, ECA financings, Japanese, French and Spanish tax lease structures, PDP financings, unsecured term loans and structured capital market transactions, as well as leasing and sale transactions and numerous restructurings. Richard is currently located in London but previously worked for two years in Clifford Chance's Singapore office.

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1.00PM-2.30PM: LUNCH – BUFFET



# PANEL 4: GENERAL COUNSEL PERSPECTIVES

DATE JUNE 7, 2023

2.30PM-3.30PM



**MODERATOR:**  
**PAMELA O'NEILL**

*Eversheds Sutherland, Dublin*

Pamela is Head of the Dispute Resolution & Litigation Department at Eversheds Sutherland Ireland. With over 25 years of experience, her areas of key focus are complex litigation, investigations and regulatory compliance. She has considerable experience in advising clients on all aspects of their interactions with regulatory authorities acting for both regulators and regulated entities in investigations. She also has significant experience in large-scale commercial litigation in financial services, property and commercial disputes. She currently advises clients at board level, commercial and statutory, on risk mitigation and reputation management.

## SPEAKERS



**NAUDÉ DE KLERK**

*Group Head: Legal Counsel (Commercial & Affiliates), Aspen Pharma Ireland Limited*

Naudé is Group Head: Legal Counsel (Commercial & Affiliates) at Aspen Pharma Ireland, with a with a demonstrated history in the pharmaceutical industry. With 22 years' post-admission experience, he is professionally skilled in pharmaceutical, commercial, corporate, competition, data protection, labour and insurance law. He has been Dublin based for over eight years and manages the legal team for Europe and Middle East (EME), and his responsibilities include: general commercial and corporate legal advice; compliance; dispute resolution and litigation management; and, legal strategy. He has been employed in the Aspen Group as in-house counsel since April 2013 relying on extensive experience in the pharmaceutical industry in markets such as Europe CIS, LATAM, MENA and South Africa. He was in legal practice for over 14 years specialising in pharmaceutical law, insurance law and property law.



**GEORGE ROBERTS**

*General Counsel & Compliance Officer at Volkswagen Group, Dublin*

George is General Counsel and member of the Board at Volkswagen Group Ireland. He is a highly experienced lawyer well versed in a range of topics including anti-trust, data protection, product liability and the management of large international disputes. He qualified at UK firm Shoosmiths LLP and previously worked in house for Argos and Sainsbury's within the dispute management team. In 2017, he moved to Volkswagen Group where he established the in-house legal function in Ireland.



**ALMA FORGÓ**

*Airbus, France*

Alma has focused on commercial law and international arbitration and alternative modes of dispute resolution since the beginning of her career. A German national of Hungarian and German descent, she was admitted to the German Bar in 2010. Currently Head of Arbitration at Airbus, she manages, since January 2017, a large number of arbitrations and litigations arising in the commercial aircraft, helicopters and defense and space industries in a multitude of jurisdictions. Before joining Airbus' legal & compliance department at Airbus' Headquarter in Toulouse, Alma worked at the ICC International Court of Arbitration in Paris as Deputy Counsel and Head of Europe YAAF, where she oversaw hundreds of international arbitrations and scrutinised a large number of draft awards.

3.30PM-4.00PM  
NETWORKING TEA/COFFEE BREAK

# PANEL 5: INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION/LITIGATION FUNDING

DATE JUNE 7, 2023

TIME 4.00PM-5.00PM



**MODERATOR:  
RORY KIRRANE SC**

*Mason Hayes & Curran, Dublin*

Rory is a Partner at Mason Hayes & Curran, where he is head of the construction team. He has extensive experience in energy and construction issues and expertise in real estate, renewable energy and gas. He advises clients through ADR, arbitration and court.

## SPEAKERS



**DIORA ZIYAEVA**

*Dentons, New York*

Diora is a Partner at Dentons LLP in New York. Her practice focuses on investor-state arbitration, international commercial arbitration, complex commercial litigation, and public international law. Dual qualified in Uzbekistan and New York, she has 14 years of experience successfully representing sovereign states and corporate clients in over 30 significant international arbitration proceedings. She is the first female from the Republic of Uzbekistan to graduate from Harvard Law School. She is a Council on Foreign Relations Term Member, a certified mediator, arbitrator, and serves as an Adjunct Professor of Law at Cornell Law School and at Fordham University School of Law, where she teaches investor-state arbitration.



**SEAN BRANNIGAN KC**

*4 Pump Court, London*

Sean is one of the leading silks at the commercial bar and is renowned for his exceptional advocacy, particularly across the practice areas of international arbitration, construction and engineering, energy, and professional negligence. He is most regularly instructed in large-scale international and domestic litigation and arbitrations. His clients include UK and foreign governments and many of the world's largest construction companies.



**DR FELIX A. R. DÖRFELT**

*Addleshaw Goddard, Hamburg*

Felix is an experienced international arbitration and litigation lawyer. Besides his depth of courtroom experience, Felix has represented clients in international arbitration proceedings under all major institution rules including the International Centre for the Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID), International Chamber of Commerce (ICC), German Arbitration Institute (DIS) and *ad hoc*. In addition, he acts both as arbitrator and mediator in commercial disputes. Most recently, he chaired an *ad-hoc* arbitration.



**NORAIR BABADJANIAN**

*Redstone Chambers, UK*

Norair is a solicitor of the Senior Courts of England & Wales specialising in international dispute resolution. He is regularly appointed as a counsel in complex, evidence-heavy multi-jurisdictional commercial disputes conducted in major European, North American and South-East Asian litigation centres, as well as under the auspices of the leading arbitral institutions such as the LCIA and LMAA (London), ICC (Paris), SCC (Stockholm), VIAC (Vienna), ICDR (New York), and ICSID (Washington, DC). Norair's professional career includes training with Healy & Baillie LLP, and seven years of associateship with Ince & Co LLP. Until 2013 he practised at 12 Gray's Inn Square Chambers spearheaded by the late Arthur Marriott QC, a forefather of modern English arbitration.

9.00AM-10.00AM REGISTRATION &amp; REFRESHMENTS

10.00AM-10.05AM



WELCOME – KARYN HARTY, PARTNER (DUBLIN) AND GLOBAL CO-CHAIR OF DISPUTES, DENTONS

# PANEL 6: CRYPTO AND FRAUD

DATE JUNE 8, 2023

10.05AM-11.05AM

**MODERATOR:  
JOHN O'RIORDAN***Partner, Commercial Litigation Department, Dillon Eustace*

John advises clients on all aspects of commercial litigation, regulatory investigations, and fraud and asset recovery work.

In particular, he has experience in advising on financial services and banking litigation, shareholder disputes, fraud, mis-selling claims, inquiries and investigations, including regulatory investigations by the Central Bank of Ireland.

He is an active member of the International Bar Association and is a committee member of the Commercial Litigation Association of Ireland.

## SPEAKERS

**HOWARD FISCHER***Moses & Singer LLP, New York*

Howard is a litigation and white collar partner at Moses Singer in NYC, where he specialises in financial services litigation and white collar defence. He was formerly a Senior Trial Counsel at the US Securities &amp; Exchange Commission, where he spearheaded the prosecution of multiple high-level cases involving the fallout from the financial crisis. He is a member of the New York State Bar Association's Task Force on Emerging Digital Finance and Currency, and speaks frequently at professional seminars and to various media outlets regarding enforcement developments in the digital asset space.

**CARMEL KING***Grant Thornton, London*

Carmel is a director in Grant Thornton UK's Insolvency and Asset Recovery team, specialising in investigations, asset tracing and recovery actions for clients who have suffered a financial loss as a result of fraud. She has a particular interest in digital assets and leads this practice area for the team. The practice combines blockchain analytics with corporate intelligence and digital forensic techniques to conduct investigations, alongside insolvency proceedings, court-appointed receiverships, other civil procedures and litigation funding to formulate legal claims and enforce judgements. She regularly presents on the topic and has published numerous articles.

**BRIAN LACY***Ogier, British Virgin Islands*

Brian is the Head of BVI Dispute Resolution at Ogier. He is a "formidable" commercial litigation barrister, with considerable experience of civil fraud, insolvency and trust disputes. He regularly appears in the BVI Commercial Court and the Court of Appeal. He is a Fellow of the Institute of Financial Crime Litigators in Basel and is ranked as a Global Elite Thought Leader by Who's Who Legal for Asset Recovery. His global team of BVI lawyers has been described in the leading directories as being: "exemplary", "a slick operation" and "a tight, well-run group of clever, hardworking lawyers". His cases often involve the Middle East or the FSU, and increasingly involve digital assets.

**NAT ABRAMOV***Crystal Vantage, London*

Nat is the founder of Crystal Vantage, an investigations and asset recovery company specialising in complex cross-border legal disputes. He provides clients with evidence and intelligence to support their claims. He also advises clients on crafting intelligent and effective recovery strategies worldwide, and assists them to monetise their claims. His clients include private individuals, corporations, funders, insolvency practitioners and governments involved in fraud and white collar crime cases, contentious disputes, and complex asset recovery matters.

11.05AM-11.30AM  
NETWORKING TEA/COFFEE BREAK

# PANEL 7: ENVIRONMENTAL/ESG/ GREENWASHING CLAIMS

DATE JUNE 8, 2023

TIME 11.30AM-12.30PM



**MODERATOR:**  
**DR DEPHNEY RAMAPHOSA**

*Global Sustainability Senior Manager, Dentons ESG Team, South Africa, Johannesburg.*

Dephney is a Corporate Sustainability/ESG Senior Leader with 18 years' experience working in the logistics, engineering, infrastructure development and energy sectors. Her expertise spans ESG/sustainability advisory, strategy, risk management, assurance and reporting. Her goal is to make a meaningful contribution in ensuring a "just and equitable" transition.

## SPEAKERS



**MARAM T. SALAHELDIN**

*Clark Hill, Washington DC*

Maram is Senior Attorney in Clark Hill's Environmental & Natural Resources and International Trade practice groups, based in the firm's Washington DC office. She counsels US and multinational clients on international environmental, health, safety, and sustainability (EHS&S) issues. She also co-lead's Clark Hill's ESG & Sustainability advisory practice, which deploys multidisciplinary attorneys, consultants, and professionals to advise clients across industries and sectors. Prior to joining Clark Hill, she worked as an EHS&S regulatory compliance and management consultant to a wide range of clients in both the private and public sectors.



**MATTHIAS GSTOEHL**

*LALIVE, Zurich*

Matthias specialises in complex domestic and multi-jurisdictional proceedings and investigations, including fraud and white-collar crime, asset recovery, insolvency, international mutual assistance, international sanctions and ESG litigation. His practice focuses on banking and finance disputes. Drawing on first-hand experience in the sector, he handles complex matters requiring specialist knowledge in derivative instruments, hedge funds and financial products in general. He regularly acts in contentious corporate, commercial and governance disputes across various other sectors (healthcare, natural resources, sports and trusts).



**FRIEDERIKE BEISHEIM**

*Wintershall DEA, Germany*

Friederike is a German-educated lawyer (Martin-Luther-University Halle-Wittenberg, Germany) currently working as Legal Counsel at Wintershall Dea AG, a German-based gas and oil company transforming into a gas and carbon management company. She is focused on supporting the transformation of the business, providing advice regarding the regulatory framework governing carbon dioxide transport and storage in Europe, blue and turquoise hydrogen production, and the sustainability of business. Since September 2021 she has been actively involved in the climate change litigation pending against Wintershall Dea AG before the regional civil court of Kassel.



**EMMA SUTCLIFFE**

*Partner - Simmons & Simmons, London*

Emma is Head of Simmons & Simmons' Disputes & Investigations Group in the UK. She has acted on a range of major investment banking disputes on both the financial markets and retail banking side and is a leading partner in the contentious regulatory practice. Emma is an ESG (Environmental, Social, Governance) expert, advising clients on policies, regulations, and risks. She has extensive experience in ESG-related disputes and litigation, including greenwashing and misrepresentation cases.

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12.30PM-2.00PM: LUNCH - BUFFET

# PANEL 8: JUDICIAL PANEL

DATE JUNE 8, 2023

TIME 2.00PM-3.00PM



**MODERATOR:  
THE HON. MR JUSTICE BRIAN O'MOORE**

*High Court, Ireland*

Brian O'Moore is a judge of the High Court. He was appointed in 2019 and was initially assigned to the Commercial Court. Since May 2022, he has been the head of the Chancery List. Before his appointment, he was a senior counsel specialising in commercial and intellectual property disputes.

## SPEAKERS



**THE HON. MS JUSTICE NIAMH HYLAND**

*High Court, Dublin*

Niamh was appointed as a judge of the High Court in December 2019 and was appointed as a Law Reform Commissioner in May 2021. She is a graduate of Trinity College Dublin, Magdalen College Oxford and the King's Inns (barrister-at-law). She worked as a referendaire at the General Court of the Court of Justice in Luxembourg and was the Jean Monnet Professor in European Law at Trinity College. She was called to the Bar in 1994 and commenced practice in 1996.



**JUDGE FABIENNE SCHALLER**

*President, International Commercial Chamber (ICC-CA), Paris*

Fabienne is a President in the international commercial chamber of the Paris court of appeal (CCIP-CA). She was born in Basel, Switzerland and was admitted to the Paris Bar in 1986 and to the New York Bar in 1992. She graduated with a master of employment law from Paris X-Nanterre Law School and an LLM in trade regulation from NYU Law School. After practising as a lawyer in Paris and New York, she joined the bench in 1997. She was appointed as a judge in the first instance courts of Paris, Evry, Nanterre and Bobigny.



**HON. TANYA R. KENNEDY**

*Associate Justice, Appellate Division, Supreme Court of the State of New York*

Tanya was appointed in July 2020 by Governor Andrew M. Cuomo as an Associate Justice of the Appellate Division, First Department, of the New York State Supreme Court. Prior to her appointment, Justice Kennedy served as a Justice of the Supreme Court, New York County, commencing in January 2016, after election in November 2015. She was elected to Civil Court in November 2005 and thereafter served in Criminal Court, Civil Court, Family Court, as Acting Supreme Court Justice, and as Supervising Judge of Civil Court, New York County.



**JEREMY GAUNTLETT KC**

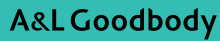
*Brick Court Chambers, London*

Jeremy is a King's counsel and senior counsel, Brick Court, London and chambers in Cape Town and Johannesburg. He is a member of the Financial Markets Tribunal of Dubai and the Shanghai International Arbitration Court, an international arbitrator and appeal arbitrator. He served on the Court of Appeal of the Kingdom of Lesotho. He was called in 2021 to The Bar of Ireland. He is a Bencher of the Middle Temple and elected to the International Academy of Trial Lawyers.

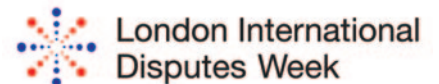
3.00PM-3.30PM CLOSING REMARKS

3.30PM-4.00PM CLOSING REFRESHMENTS

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