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# Peter is a partner in the litigation and arbitration team and CEO of the dispute resolution team.

He has 30 years of experience and is currently the lead partner in a number of cases in which the amount at stake totals nearly £700 million. Peter specializes in commercial litigation and arbitration, restructuring, insolvency, credit and asset recovery, particularly in regard to company disputes, often advising on shareholder and joint-venture issues.

Peter leads the firm's global dispute resolution teams comprising over 60 partners, spanning commercial litigation, international arbitration, criminal litigation and white collar investigations, employment, trust and inheritance disputes, family and divorce, with teams based in litigation centres across Asia-Pacific, Europe and the Americas.

Peter is fluent in Italian and specialises in advising Italian clients, he is a member of the British Italian Law Association and the Italian Chamber of Commerce.

He is ranked in Chambers Global and Legal 500 and is '...praised for his good judgement and client-handling skills'.

# Track record

#### Agency agreement

Acting against an Italian listed multinational for breach of an exclusive agency agreement before the ICC in Paris where issues of illegality, corruption and international public policy were found.

#### ICC arbitration

Advising in Arbitration before ICC arising out of termination of an agency agreement between an Italian firm and an Iranian company.

#### LCIA arbitration

Acted for Greek clients in substantial LCIA arbitration (under the LCIA rules) in respect of a proposed merger in Greek Pay TV market.

#### Non payment dispute

Advised an Italian company in a dispute with a UK plc over non payment of a rolling steel plant in Wales.

#### Closure of UK business

Acted for an Italian parent company in the closure of its insolvent UK subsidiary.

#### Agency & distribution agreement

Acting for a Greek company against a Jordanian state owned enterprise relating to the termination of a 10-year worldwide agency and distribution agreement.

#### Supply agreement arbitration

Acted for a Chinese company (listed on NASDAQ) in an arbitration against an Italian company relating to the termination of a five-year supply agreement in the renewable energy sector.

#### Ad hoc arbitration

Acted in an ad hoc arbitration in proceedings between members of an Italian family relating to division of patrimony and business assets in Italy, Luxemburg, Monaco, Panama, Bahamas and the USA.

#### Financial products

Acted for a UK Financial Services company in an ad hoc arbitration in a claim between it and former members relating to mis-selling of financial products.

### Admissions

England and Wales, 1988

British Virgin Islands, 2013

### Education

Warwick University, B.A. (Hons) Law & Sociology

# Languages

English

Italian

# Memberships

British Italian Law Association - ex-President

Member of the London Court of International Arbitration

Italian Chamber of Commerce, London-Honorary Legal Counsel

Association of Business Recovery Professionals

British Hellenic Chamber of Commerce

Business Club Italia

# Key dates

Year joined: 1995

Year became partner: 1995

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