



## Stephen Brown

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### Qualifications and Appointments

- FCI Arb
- CEDR accredited mediator
- DIFC registered practitioner (Part 2)

## Memberships

- CI Arb
- COMBAR
- LCIA

## Practice Overview

Stephen has a broad-based dispute resolution practice and acts in complex commercial disputes, usually with an international dimension. He has successfully advised some of the world's largest corporations.

His experience covers both litigation and international arbitration, extending to all types of contractual dispute, including joint venture and warranty claims, across sectors including asset management, automotive, aviation, chemicals, hospitality, oil and gas, pharmaceuticals, technology and telecoms.

Stephen regularly advises in relation to shareholders' rights and directors' duties. He has been instructed in a number of high value fraud cases.

Before coming to the Bar in January 2014, Stephen was an international law firm partner between 1998 and 2013, recommended by both Chambers UK and Legal 500 as a leading individual in commercial litigation. Having qualified as a Higher Rights advocate in 2001, Stephen has appeared regularly since 2001 in various divisions of the High Court, including the Commercial Court, the Chancery Division, the Competition Appeal Tribunal and the Court of Appeal.

Stephen has appeared in arbitrations both ad hoc and under the rules of various institutions including the AAA, ICC, LCIA and LMAA and is a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and a member of the LCIA.

Stephen is a CEDR Accredited Mediator and has extensive experience of mediation having acted as mediator and appeared for clients in dozens of mediations.



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## Company

Stephen regularly advises in relation to corporate governance and shareholders' rights, including in relation to derivative actions and unfair prejudice claims.

### Recent Work:

- advising the board of a US oil company in relation to claims of breach of fiduciary duty.
- advising a Middle Eastern client in relation to its rights in a US\$1 billion joint venture including in relation to potential claims in the DIFC courts and in an LCIA arbitration.
- advising a board as to its ability to issue further shares where it was disputed that this was permitted under the company's articles.
- advising a shareholder in a quasi-partnership as to his ability to remove a co-director/ shareholder.
- advising an investor regarding rectification of a company's share register.