

Judge Bernardo Sepúlveda-Amor

Curriculum vitae

Bernardo Sepúlveda-Amor is a former judge of the International Court of Justice (2006-2015), elected as its Vice-President for the period 2012-2015.

Judge Sepúlveda-Amor has a wide experience as a presiding arbitrator in cases under UNCITRAL Rules, the ICSID Convention and the ICC Rules, as well as arbitration under the Stockholm Chamber of Commerce Rules; he acts as the presiding arbitration in cases under the UNCITRAL Rules administered by the PCA, and as co-arbitrator in Energy Charter Treaty cases administered by the PCA; he is also a member of ad-hoc Committees in ICSID annulment proceeding.

He advises clients and States on matters related to mediation, conciliation and arbitration, the drafting of contract clauses and the conduct of international proceedings, including cases under ICSID and UNCITRAL Rules.

Judge Sepúlveda-Amor is a member of the Board of Trustees of the PCA; he also belongs to Mexico's group of arbitrators for the PCA; and is a member of the ICSID Panel of Arbitrators. He is member of the Board of Trustees of the Permanent Court of Arbitration Financial Assistance Fund since 2006.

Judge Sepulveda-Amor is a member, together with other four jurists, of the Commission on Conciliation in the case Qatar/United Arab Emirates, appointed by the Chairperson or the UN Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, in consultation with the States parties concerned (effective from 1 March 2020)

Judge Sepúlveda-Amor is *Of Counsel* at Creel, a leading law firm based in Mexico City, where he is the head of dispute resolution department.

Judge Sepúlveda-Amor's professional experience further includes secretary of Foreign Relations of Mexico (1982-1988); ambassador of Mexico to the United States of America (1982); ambassador of Mexico to the United Kingdom (1989-1993); Member of the United Nations International Law Commission (1997-2005); President of the United Nations on Transnational Corporations (1980); Member of the *Institut de Droit International*, elected in 2011.

Judge Sepulveda-Amor was a member of the Mexican delegations to the UN Conference on the Law of Treaties and the UN Conference on the Law of the Sea. He has been President of the Latin American Society of International Law (2010-2012) and President of the Mexican Branch of the International Law Association (2000-2005). He was member of the Executive Council of the American Society of International Law (1974-1975). He is Honorary Bencher of the United Kingdom Society of the Middle Temple.

He is a Research Fellow Extraordinary of the National University of Mexico since 2016. He delivers lectures and conferences in academic institutions in Mexico and abroad. He has published books and articles on international law, the United Nations, the International Court of Justice, foreign policy and economic affairs related to investment arbitration, commerce and international finance. From 1967 to 2005, he was Professor of International Law and International Organizations at El Colegio de México. In 1984, the King of Spain awarded him the Principe de Asturias prize for his role in the promotion of peace in the Central America conflicts through the Contadora process.

Judge Sepúlveda-Amor's educational background includes a Cambridge University LL.M. degree in international Law (1966) and the Diploma in International Law also awarded by the University of Cambridge. He holds a magna cum laude law degree from the National University of Mexico (1964). He is Honorary Fellow of Queens' College, University of Cambridge.

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