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**Practice Areas & Industries**

- Appellate
- Government Strategies
- International Arbitration
- Privacy Litigation and Government Investigations

- Trial

**Languages**

- English
- Spanish
- German
- French

**Education**

- Georgetown University Law Center, J.D., 2002
- Haverford College, B.A., *highest departmental honors*, 1999

Lisa M. Richman is Global Co-Chair of McDermott Will & Emery’s International Arbitration & Dispute Resolution Practice Group and Managing Partner of the firm’s Washington, DC office. She focuses her practice on international dispute resolution matters, with a particular emphasis on international commercial arbitration and public international law.

Lisa’s clients have included investors, governments, corporations, corporate officers and directors, and individuals in disputes seated in common law and civil law jurisdictions worldwide. Her work has included disputes conducted under ICC, ICSID, ICSID AF, AAA/ICDR, SIAC, HKIAC, JAMS, DIS, LCIA, CPR, Swiss Rules and UNCITRAL Rules as well as pure *ad-hoc* arbitrations. She has handled disputes in a wide variety of industries with a particular focus on disputes relating to energy, oil and gas, intellectual property, pharmaceutical, food and beverage, infrastructure, licensing, securities, telecommunications, transportation, joint ventures and construction.

Lisa also has represented corporations, corporate officers and directors, and individuals in international and domestic arbitrations, litigations, and mediations in the US and around the world. Lisa is listed on the arbitrator list of the Vienna International Arbitral Centre (VIAC), in the LCIA’s database of neutrals, the USCIB Arbitrator Database (the ICC arbitrator roster for the US), and is a member of the SIAC Users Counsel, of the ABA International Law Section Planning Committee, and of the Organizing Committee of the Kiev Arbitration Days; she previously served on the ITA Americas Committee, the CPR Arbitration Committee, and the DIS Rules Revision Committee. She speaks regularly at conferences and law schools around the world. For example, in the recent past, she presented workshops on international arbitration topics by invitation of the faculty at Harvard Law School and the University of Michigan Law School. In July 2020, Lisa was designated to the ICSID Panel of Arbitrators for a six year term.

Wolters Kluwer published her book, *Arbitrating under the 2014 LCIA Rules: A User’s Guide*, in April 2015, an updated version of which (concerning the 2020 LCIA Rules) was published in August 2021. In June 2019, July 2020 and July 2021, she published a chapter on NAFTA and USMCA in the 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> editions of *The Investment Treaty Arbitration Review*, respectively. In June 2020, ALM published a global guide she co-authored on force majeure issues. Lisa has received recognition for her expertise as a dispute resolution specialist by, among others, *Global Arbitration Review*, *Who’s Who Legal*, *Benchmark Litigation*, the *Commercial Arbitration Expert Guide*, the *National Law Journal*, the *American Lawyer*, *Juve*, *Super Lawyers* and *Law360*. Among other things, peers and clients have described her as “one of the best lawyers in the international arbitration space”, “brilliant and energetic” and “amazing”. *GAR Arbitration 2021, Future Leaders Ranking*.

Lisa is a native German speaker, and also speaks Spanish and French.



### **Selected International Law Experience**

- Defending a state against a US\$6 billion claim in an International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID) arbitration brought by European investors;
- Representing a European investor in an investment treaty case against an African state in an ICSID arbitration;
- Representing investors in an ICSID arbitration against the Kingdom of Spain under the Energy Charter Treaty (ECT) concerning investments in excess of EUR 1.5 billion;
- Representing a European investor against an Eastern European state in an ICSID arbitration valued in excess of US\$500 million;
- Representing a state in an ICSID Additional Facility (AF) case brought by US investors claiming hundreds of millions USD regarding a vegetable oil production and processing enterprise;
- Representing a state in an ICSID AF case brought by US investors claiming hundreds of millions USD regarding blood treatment and processing facilities;
- Defending a European State against an investment treaty case brought by European investors relating to transport issues;
- Representing the Kingdom of Netherlands as intervenor in a case in German courts relating to the validity of an Intra-EU Bilateral Investment Treaty (BIT);
- Representing a state-owned Asian oil company in an ICSID case valued in excess of US\$250 million, against a South American state;
- Representing a German company in an ICSID arbitration valued at US\$1 billion, against a southeast Asian state;
- Representing a German company in ICSID annulment proceedings against a southeast Asian state;
- Representing German investors in ICSID arbitration proceedings against a Latin American state;
- Enforcing a multimillion-dollar (US) treaty award against an Asian state;
- Defending Germany in a US\$2 billion ICSID claim brought by a European investor under the ECT, in the first-ever ICSID claim against Germany;
- Advising US investors in relation to a Dominican Republic - Central American Free Trade Agreement (CAFTA-DR) claim against a Latin American state;
- Advising investors relating to claims under BITs and Free Trade Agreements.

### **Selected Commercial Cases**

- Acting for European and US companies in an ICC arbitration (seated in Paris) under Italian law;



- Defending a US entity against claims by a Côte d'Ivoire entity in an *ad hoc* UNCITRAL arbitration, subject to New York and Côte d'Ivoire law;
- Defending a supplier in a AAA/ICDR arbitration (seated in New York) in a dispute concerning a distribution agreement, subject to New York law;
- Defending a global pharmaceutical company in multiple LCIA arbitrations (seated in London) in a contract dispute against Indian counterparties, subject to English law;
- Acting for a US life sciences company in a AAA/ICDR arbitration (seated in New York) against a French life sciences company, subject to New York law;
- Acting for a pharmaceutical company in an SIAC arbitration (seated in Singapore) in a contract and licensing dispute against Indian counterparties, subject to English and Indian law;
- Defending a French life sciences company in an ICC arbitration (seated in New York) against a US life sciences company, subject to New York law;
- Defending a US entity against claims relating to intellectual property rights in a AAA arbitration and associated emergency proceedings;
- Defending a global beverage company against another global beverage company (seated in California), subject to US and Swiss law;
- Defending the US subsidiary of a European company in a AAA/ICDR arbitration (seated in New York) under New York law;
- Acting for a US entity in a JAMS arbitration and related emergency arbitration proceedings under New Jersey law;
- Acting for a US company and its European affiliate in relation to a dispute in the US and Europe subject to US and German law;
- Defending a UK individual in an LCIA arbitration relating to breach of contract (seated in London), subject to English law and in related Swiss and UK litigation proceedings;
- Acting for a US company and its Asian subsidiary in an ICC arbitration seated in Switzerland, in a dispute concerning a licensing agreement under US law and in parallel proceedings in US Federal and Pakistani courts;
- Advising an Asian entity with respect to claims under the Swiss Rules and under Swiss governing law seated in Switzerland;
- Representing a UK transportation giant in a series of four separate AAA/ICDR arbitrations seated in Washington, DC against US transportation companies, subject to Texas law;
- Defending a US company in an ICC arbitration seated in Paris in a contract dispute with a Vietnamese telecommunications company, subject to US law;
- Acting for an Asian state-owned oil company in an ICC case valued in excess of US\$300 million, against authorities of a Latin American state;



- Acting for a global manufacturing company against a Canadian company in an AAA/ICDR arbitration (seated in New York), subject to New York law;
- Representing a transportation company in a AAA/ICDR arbitration against a Canadian entity (seated in New York), subject to New York;
- Acting for an Italian company in an arbitration under Milan Chamber rules;
- Representing a German manufacturer of industrial products and its US subsidiary in a dispute concerning battery manufacturing subject to JAMS Rules and California law;
- Representing a US subsidiary of a Canadian IT company in a dispute with a UK company under AAA/ICDR Rules, subject to US law;
- Representing a US knowledge testing services provider in a AAA/ICDR mediation and arbitration seated in the US against an Italian company, subject to Italian law;
- Acting for a German manufacturer in a dispute against a People's Republic of China (PRC) purchaser of a processing plant under PRC law and HKIAC Rules, seated in Hong Kong;
- Representing a Spanish international construction and engineering conglomerate in an ICC arbitration seated in Miami concerning a project in Latin America;
- Advising a Lebanese services company in a DIFC dispute seated in Cyprus against a Greek construction company and its Middle Eastern subsidiary, subject to Qatar law;
- Defending a Korean entity in a dispute by a US pharmaceutical company under CPR Rules, subject to US law;
- Representing a German entity in a dispute seated in Germany under DIS Rules, subject to German law.