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"Hopefully an important contribution to the future of international arbitration"

Current Professional Activity:

Partner with Hanefeld Rechtsanwälte

Education / Professional Career:

Since 2011 Hanefeld Rechtsanwälte, Hamburg

2009 – 2011 CMS Hasche Sigle, Munich (Member of the International Litigation and Arbitration Department headed by Dr. Klaus Sachs)

2007 – 2009 Legal traineeship (Referendariat) in Hamburg including work experience with the ICC International Court of Arbitration in Paris, Hengeler Mueller in Berlin and the German Embassy in Phnom Penh, Cambodia

2007 Doctor of Laws (Dr. iur.), University of Freiburg, Germany

2005 – 2007 Research and teaching assistant to Prof. Dr. Günter Hager, Institute for Foreign and International Private Law, University of Freiburg, Germany

1999 – 2005 Studies of law, University of Freiburg and University of Grenoble

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Professional Emphases:

- International trade, transport, construction, energy, infrastructure and post-M&A
- International contract law, commercial law, sales law (inter alia CISG), transport and distribution law, construction law, antitrust law and corporate law
- International private law, law of international civil procedure and comparative law

Arbitral Experience:

As Arbitrator

Chairman, Sole Arbitrator and Party-Appointed Arbitrator in domestic and international arbitration proceedings under the rules of the DIS and the ICC

As Counsel in arbitral proceedings

Representation of domestic and foreign companies in national and international arbitral proceedings under the rules of the DIS, the ICC, the SCC and the LCIA as well as in ad hoc arbitral proceedings

As Secretary to the Arbitral Tribunal

Secretary to the arbitral tribunal in a multitude of national and international arbitration proceedings under the rules of the DIS, ICC, SCC, LCIA, VIAC as well as in ad hoc arbitration proceedings

As Counsel in state court proceedings

Representation of domestic and foreign companies in state court proceedings before German courts; co-counsel and 2nd opinion arrangements for domestic and foreign companies as well as law firms before domestic and foreign state courts

Languages:

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