

# Nigel Rawding KC

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## Overview

Nigel is recognised as a leading practitioner in international arbitration, having practised at Freshfields for many years (including 30 years as a partner in the firm's international arbitration practice). Nigel is based in London, having previously worked with Freshfields in New York and Hong Kong. He is a Director of the LCIA and a member of the ICC UK Commission on Arbitration.

He joined Twenty Essex as a full-time arbitrator in May 2021.

His arbitration experience includes numerous ad hoc, ICC, LCIA and UNCITRAL and other arbitrations as counsel as well as ICC, LCIA and DIFC-LCIA arbitrations sitting as arbitrator. He has also represented clients in a wide variety of UK High Court commercial litigation cases.

Nigel is an experienced solicitor-advocate (Higher Rights, Civil) and was appointed Queen's Counsel (QC) in 2016 in recognition of his advocacy skills.

Nigel has been consistently recognised as a leading practitioner in publications such as *Chambers & Partners* and *The Legal 500*, described as being 'of the highest class' when working as counsel in arbitration proceedings, and also noted for 'all-round litigation skills'.

## Publications

- Co-author of 'Arbitration World (Global Overview chapter)', *Sweet & Maxwell*, 5<sup>th</sup> edition, 2015
- Co-author of 'Arbitration in England (Procedural Overview chapter)', *Wolters Kluwer*, 2013
- Co-author of 'The Freshfields Guide to Arbitration: Clauses in International Contracts', *Kluwer Law International*, 3<sup>rd</sup> edition, 2010

## Professional memberships

- ICC Commission on International Arbitration
- Director of the LCIA

## Education

- Manchester Grammar School, UK,
- University of Cambridge, UK, BA Hons in Law
- College of Law, Chester (solicitors professional qualification)

## Illustrative experience

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- ENEL, the Italian state-owned electricity supplier, in a multi \$US billion UNCITRAL Rules arbitration in Geneva over a long-term gas supply agreement.
- Two Russian-owned investment vehicles in a joint venture dispute in the extractives sector.
- Representing an international telecoms operator in UNCITRAL arbitration and related proceedings in Lagos, Nigeria in respect of a high-value shareholder dispute.
- Representing a leading Israeli bank in LCIA London proceedings in connection with the aborted purchase of a majority stake in an eastern European bank.
- Representing a leading Indian industrial company in a shareholder dispute with a JV partner in the telecoms sector referred to LCIA arbitration in London.
- Representing a major multinational pharmaceuticals company in ICC arbitration proceedings involving an Asian distributor.
- Representing a member of a European banking consortium in a post-acquisition dispute in the financial services sector referred to ICC arbitration in Paris.

## Recommendations

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Absolutely superb and has razor-sharp advocacy skills. [Chambers Europe 2021](#)

He's a very good advocate - very articulate and personable. [Chambers UK 2021](#)

Extremely experienced and wonderful to work with. [Chambers Europe 2020](#)

He is a very good advocate with excellent judgement - clients really love him and he has the perfect temperament." [Chambers UK 2020](#)

... gets right into the detail from the start, is very involved in the tactical decisions and is very quick at picking everything up and coming to a sensible commercial view. [Chambers Europe 2019](#)