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CURRICULUM VITAE

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Exhaustive CV available on request

nationalities

- australian
- zimbabwean (pending)

bar admissions

- france (paris)
- england & wales (solicitor)

native languages

- english
- french

employment

- principal at rory.legal, Paris (2020 to present)
- senior associate at Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe, Paris & Geneva (2012 to 2020)
- associate at Derains & Gharavi, Paris (2011 to 2012)

education

- masters in business administration, INSEAD, 2018 (J)
- masters in arbitration and international trade law (MACI), University of Versailles, 2009
- two semesters on international trade law, University of Cape Town, 2008
- bachelor in law, University of Toulouse, 2007

lecturing (past 12 months)

- 1/2-day seminar on Networking and Professional Image, University of Paris-Saclay, France
- 1-day seminar on International Arbitration, American University of Sharjah, U.A.E.

publications (past 12 months)

- R. Wheeler, "Recent Developments in the Paris Court of Appeal's Approach to Public Policy", *Revista Brasileira de Arbitragem*, 2019(61)
- N. Jelonek & R. Wheeler, "The Proposed Amendments to ICSID's Rules on Litigation Financing and Security for Costs", *Paris Journal of International Arbitration*, 2019(1)

memberships - distinctions

- member of the INSEAD Alumni Association
- president of the MACI Alumni Association
- listed as a Future Leader in International Arbitration, Who's Who Legal, 2018, 2019, and 2020

interests

- mediation: 5-day course with the Centre de Médiation et d'Arbitrage de Paris (CMAP) and coach for the University of Paris-Saclay for the Concours National de Médiation du CMAP since 2009
- rhetoric, public speaking, and communication: member of Toastmasters International and of the public speaking club at INSEAD
- chess: weekly lessons with a coach, game analysis, and self-study

ARBITRATION EXPERIENCE

international trade & distribution

- representing a construction and engineering firm in a mediation and an arbitration against a multinational corporation relating to six service contracts
- representing a French distributor against a Taiwanese manufacturer in an arbitration relating to the termination of a distribution relationship. English language, French and Singaporean law.
- representing a Gabonese bank in a pre-arbitral claim against an Emirati private equity fund in a dispute relating to a loan agreement. French language, Gabonese law.
- sole associate in the team representing a consultant in an arbitration against an engineering and construction company. English language, Swiss law.
- principal associate in the team representing former partners of a partnership in three parallel proceedings. English language, Italian, French, and Belgian laws.
- sole associate in the team representing a manufacturer in an arbitration relating to consultancy services. English language, English law.
- sole associate in the team representing a manufacturer of baby-feeding products in two parallel arbitrations against its distributor and the latter's sister company. English language, French law.
- sole associate in the team representing a yacht-builder in an arbitration relating to alleged manufacturing and design defaults. English language, French law.
- associate in the team representing a distributor of medical equipment in an arbitration relating to the termination of its distribution agreement. English language, French law.
- associate in the team representing an accountant in an arbitration against a business partner in relation to fees for an M&A deal. English language, Danish law.

joint ventures and M&A

- sole associate in the team representing a global conglomerate in an arbitration relating to the failure of a joint venture in a highly regulated market. English language, Mexican law.
- sole associate in the team representing a manufacturing group in an arbitration relating to the failure of a joint venture in the field of petroleum products. English language, Egyptian law.
- principal associate in the team representing the sellers in an arbitration relating to representation and warranties claims by the buyers. English language, Italian law.

complex supply chains

- principal associate of the team representing an automobile manufacturer in an arbitration relating to outsourced assembly services. English language, French law.
- sole associate of the team assisting a major aerospace supplier in ongoing claims against an aircraft assembler for multiple programs. English language, English law.

investment arbitration

- principal associate in the team representing a West-African State in an arbitration relating to the alleged expropriation of a fruit juice plant. French language, ICSID.
- principal associate in the team representing a West-African State in an arbitration relating to the alleged expropriation of a business park. French language, ICSID.
- associate in the team representing a West-African State in an arbitration relating to alleged unfair and inequitable treatment of a mining investor. French language, ICC.
- associate in the team representing a West-African State in annulment proceedings before an ad hoc Committee. French language, ICSID.

construction

- associate in the team representing a sub-contractor in an arbitration against the Contractor relating to the construction of an airport. English language.
- associate in the team representing the Owner in an arbitration against the Contractor relating to the construction of a gas terminal. French language, French law.