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Helene Gogadze is an International Arbitration and Litigation Special Counsel in the Washington, D.C. office of the international law firm Sheppard Mullin Richter & Hampton LLP.

Ms. Gogadze's practice focuses on international commercial and investment arbitration and complex commercial litigation. She advises and represents clients in commercial and investment arbitration disputes, including disputes involving state governments and state-owned entities, and in actions before national courts in relation to arbitration proceedings. Ms. Gogadze represents clients in international arbitration matters in the oil and gas, energy, construction, real estate, tax and aerospace and defense industries, among others.

Some of her recent representations include:

- representing a large LNG producer and supplier in an ICDR arbitration in Texas in relation to its long-term U.S. LNG supply agreement;
- representing a large consumer technology company in two ICC arbitrations in relation to compensation under supply agreements and related issues;
- representing a European manufacturer of satellites in an ICDR arbitration in New York arising out of a contract for the design and supply of a constellation of satellites to a US based customer;
- representing a large European aluminum company in an ICC arbitration in Zurich arising out of a long-term lease agreement;
- advising a large French company in connection with a potential ICSID claim against the Government of an African country under the Bilateral Investment Treaty over the company's oil exploration activities;
- advising a large energy company on a wide range of issues and disputes in the areas of feed gas supply, LNG quality, force majeure, shipping, engineering and construction, price reviews and related commercial matters;
- representing a large LNG producer and supplier in litigation in New York in connection with parent guarantee agreements;
- representing the Brazilian subsidiary of an Indian company in an ICC arbitration in Sao Paulo against the Brazilian subsidiary of a U.S. company arising out of a supply contract for aluminum products;
- representing Total E&P Uganda B.V in an ICSID arbitration proceedings against the Government of Uganda under the Netherlands-Uganda Bilateral Investment Treaty and the contract;
- representing a European aircraft systems manufacturer in an ICC arbitration regarding licensing and patent infringement disputes relating to night vision systems;

- representing a Russian-based entity in an arbitration in London, UK arising out of the dispute regarding the parties' ownership rights in a company;
- advising a large French company in an ICC arbitration in Geneva against a South American company in a dispute over ownership of an ICSID claim against the government of a country in South America;
- advising a large energy company on force majeure and contract issues in relation to oil exploration and production operations in Yemen; and
- advising a client in a dispute regarding the provision of technical engineering and construction services and force majeure issues.

Ms. Gogadze also has experience serving as an arbitrator. She has been appointed and serves as arbitrator in commercial disputes. She is a member of the roster of arbitrators at leading international arbitration institutions.

Ms. Gogadze is an adjunct professor at the International Law Institute, where she regularly teaches courses and seminars, and conducts trainings on international investment and commercial arbitration as part of various programs for foreign government officials, investors and lawyers. She also was an Adjunct Professor of Law at the Catholic University of America, Columbus School of Law, where she taught international arbitration.

Ms. Gogadze regularly speaks at international arbitration conferences and publishes articles on a variety of international investment and commercial arbitration issues.

Ms. Gogadze received her Juris Doctorate degree in Law, *summa cum laude* (with 1st ranking in the class), from the Catholic University of America, Columbus School of Law.

She received her Master's Degree in Political Science from Miami University, Oxford, Ohio. She received her Bachelor's degree in International Relations from Ivane Javakhishvili State University, Tbilisi, Georgia and her Law Degree from the same university.

Originally from Georgia, Ms. Gogadze is a native Georgian speaker.

Ms. Gogadze is admitted to practice in New York and the District of Columbia.

Honors

Ms. Gogadze is recognized as a *Future Leader* in International Arbitration by Who's Who Legal in association with Global Arbitration Review, and featured in Who's Who Legal: Arbitration 2021 and Who's Who Legal: Arbitration 2022 guides recognizing the leading arbitration practitioners and experts.

Ms. Gogadze was also listed in the *Ones to Watch – Alternate Dispute Resolution*, by Best Lawyers, in 2021 and again in 2022.

She has also been recognized as Washington, D.C. *Rising Star* by Super Lawyers since 2016.

Articles

- ICSID 2018 Caseload Reflects Continued Uptick of Investor-State Arbitrations
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- The US Supreme Court Finds that International Organizations' Immunity Is On Par With That of Foreign Governments
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- Spotlight On India's New Investment Treaty Initiative
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- Georgia's National Procurement System: The Competition Mandate and Dispute Resolution Mechanism in Practice
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- English Court Removes Arbitrator For Lack of Impartiality, Points Out His Tone And Intemperate Language
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- The English Examine Multiple Dispute Resolution Clauses
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- Abusive Reorganization of Investments To Obtain International Treaty Benefits
New York Law Journal, 02.11.2015
- Finding of Arbitrator's "Evident Partiality" And Interlocutory Judicial Removal of Arbitrator: The Ninth Circuit of Appeals Disapproves Both
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- U.S. Supreme Court Holds that An Arbitral Tribunal's Decision on Precondition to Arbitration is Entitled to Deference
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- Challenging the Validity and Enforceability of Arbitral Awards is a Risky Endeavor: US Court Warn That Parties and Counsel Risk Cost and Sanctions
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- Laos' Challenge to Arbitration Award Highlights Complexities in Enforcement
New York Law Journal, 05.30.2013
- Looking to Enforce a Foreign Arbitral Award in the United States? Do Not Forget About Personal Jurisdiction
Mealey's International Arbitration Report, 05.29.2013
- Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals Resolves a Disputed Issue of Law- U.S. Discovery is Available in Private International Commercial Arbitration Proceedings
Mealey's International Arbitration Report, 01.30.2013

Speaking Engagements

- Lecturer, Advanced Arbitration and Mediation Seminar, Arbitration Agreement International Law Institute, Washington, D.C., November 1-12, 2021
- Lecturer, International Arbitration Training, Arbitration Agreement International Law Institute, Washington, D.C., December 7-9, 2021
- Lecturer, Advanced Arbitration and Mediation Seminar, Arbitration Procedure International Law Institute, Washington, D.C., November 4-19, 2019
- Lecturer, International Investment Treaties and Investor-State Arbitration Seminar International Law Institute, Washington, D.C., December 4, 2018
- Panelist and Speaker, Fifth Annual GIAC Arbitration Days, New Era in Dispute Resolution, Georgian International Centre (GIAC), Tbilisi, Georgia, October 4-5, 2018
- Lecturer, Arbitration and Mediation Seminar, International Law Institute, Washington, D.C., May 24, 2018
- Lecturer, Advanced Arbitration and Mediation Seminar, International Law Institute, Washington, D.C., November 8-9, 2017
- Panelist and Speaker, Fourth Annual GIAC Arbitration Days, Friends and Enemies of Arbitration, Georgian International Arbitration Centre (GIAC), Tbilisi, Georgia, October 2-3, 2017
- Lecturer, Arbitration and Mediation Seminar, International Law Institute, Washington, D.C., May 29, 2017
- Panelist and Speaker, Eleventh Annual Investment Treaty Arbitration Conference - Technology, IP and Investor-State Arbitration, Juris Conferences LLC, Washington, D.C., April 25, 2017
- Lecturer, Advanced Arbitration and Mediation Seminar, International Law Institute, Washington, D.C., November 16, 2016
- Organizer and Moderator, DC Women in International Arbitration Event, Washington, D.C., October 18, 2016
- Lecturer, Arbitration and Mediation Seminar, International Law Institute, Washington, D.C., May 30, 2016
- Speaker, International Arbitration Conference, Istanbul Bilgi University & International Law Institute Istanbul Branch, Istanbul, Turkey, March 10-12, 2016
- Lecturer, Advanced Arbitration and Mediation Seminar, International Law Institute, Washington, D.C., November 20, 2015
- Lecturer, Arbitration and Mediation Seminar, International Law Institute, Washington, D.C., June 1, 2015
- Lecturer, Advanced Arbitration and Mediation Seminar, International Law Institute, Washington, D.C., November 7-12, 2013

- Lecturer, Legal English and Legal Writing Program, International Law Institute, Washington, D.C., August 7, 2013

Practices

International Arbitration

Litigation

International Arbitration

Industries

Aerospace & Defense

Construction

Energy, Infrastructure and Project Finance

Government Business

Telecom

Languages

Georgian