

DR. PETER BEKKER

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WORK HISTORY

THOMPSON HINE LLP, New York, NY 2026-
Partner, Head of Energy Disputes

UNIVERSITY OF DUNDEE, Dundee, U.K. 2011-
*Professor & Chair in International Law, Centre for Energy, Petroleum and Mineral Law and Policy (part-time);
General Editor, Global Energy Law & Policy book series (Hart) (with P. Cameron and V. Roeben)*

DENTONS US LLP New York, NY 2025-26
Partner, International Disputes Group

CMS CAMERON MCKENNA NABARRO OLSWANG LLP, New York/Edinburgh/London 2015-2024
Partner/Director; Head of CMS Investment Arbitration Task Force; Co-Chair of Public International Law Group

Affiliations with Winthrop, Stimson, Putnam & Roberts / McDermott Will & Emery / White & Case / Crowell & Moring / Dewey & LeBoeuf / Steptoe & Johnson (New York City / Brussels)
Associate / Counsel / Partner 1994-2015

INTERNATIONAL COURT OF JUSTICE (ICJ), The Hague, The Netherlands 1992-1994
Associate Legal Officer & Special Assistant to the Registrar

EDUCATION

LEIDEN UNIVERSITY, The Netherlands, 1994

Doctor of Laws (Ph.D. in International Law)

(Ph.D. Board composition: Prof. Henry Schermers, Chair; Prof. Peter Kooijmans, Dutch Foreign Minister; Prof. Detlev Vagts (Harvard Law School); Judge George Aldrich (Iran-U.S. Claims Tribunal); Prof. Leo Bouchez (Utrecht University); Dr Niels Blokker (Leiden))

HARVARD LAW SCHOOL, U.S.A., 1991

Master of Laws (LL.M.)

Recipient, *Houthoff Harvard Scholarship* (1990) and *Fulbright* grant (awarded by the Netherlands America Commission for Educational Exchange) (1990)

LEIDEN UNIVERSITY, 1991

Meester in de rechten (LL.B. equiv.) (Civil law degree, with public international law and EU law specialisation)

Lifetime Fellow of *Mordenate College* (for ranking among top-ten in class of 1,000+)

Summer Program, Université de langues et lettres, Grenoble, France (1987) (French language course & internship)

Internship, Office of Legal Affairs, United Nations Secretariat, New York (Summer 1990)

AWARDS/RECOGNITION

- Listed in “*Who’s Who in Public International Law*” (since 1st ed., Crestwall 2007)
- Winner, Burton Award for Legal Achievement (Excellence in Legal Writing) (2005) (U.S.A.)
- Listed in 2006/07/08/09/10/11 New York “Super Lawyers” (International & Alternative Dispute Resolution)
- Featured as “Lawyer of the Week” in *The Times* (London) on 22 March 2005
- Featured (profile) in the *New York Law Journal* on 18 March 2005
- Quoted in *The Economist* (12 July 2014 issue, p. 29)
- Winner, Award for the team with the highest overall score for both memorials and oral performance in the *Telders International Law Moot Court Competition*, Peace Palace, The Hague (1990)

U.S. ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY , New York, NY <i>Lecturer-in-Law</i> , Columbia Law School (International Investment Arbitration)	2007-2011
FORDHAM UNIVERSITY , New York, NY <i>Adjunct professor</i> , Fordham Law School (International Arbitration)	2006-2007
HARVARD UNIVERSITY , Cambridge, Massachusetts Research Assistant to Detlev Vagts, Bemis Professor of International Law (updating <i>Transnational Legal Problems</i> course book)	Summer 1991

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS & ROSTER MEMBERSHIPS

- **Permanent Court of Arbitration**, *Member*
- **European Union Lists of Arbitrators and of Trade and Sustainable Development Experts**, *Member*
- **UN Convention on the Law of the Sea, Lists of Conciliators and Arbitrators**, *Member*
- **American Arbitration Association/ICDR, Panel of International Arbitrators (Neutrals)**, *Member*
- **Netherlands Arbitration Institute (NAI), roster of arbitrators**, *Member*
- **Shanghai Arbitration Commission, roster of overseas arbitrators**, *Member*
- **The International Arbitration Club of New York**, *Founding Member*
- **Association of International Energy Negotiators (AIEN)**, *Member*
- **International Law Association (ILA), American Branch**, *Member*
Chair, Committee on Intergovernmental Settlement of Disputes (2008-2013); *Special Reporter*, ICJ Trust Fund (2006-2008); also Dutch Branch member
- **American Society of International Law (ASIL)**, *Member*
Co-Chair, Law of the Sea Interest Group (elected, 2022-2025)
Member, Nominating Committee (elected, 2009-2010)
Member, Executive Council (elected, 2006-2009)
Member, Task Force on Professional Responsibility of International Lawyers (2006-2008) (D. Vagts, *Chair*)
Co-Chair, 94th Annual Meeting Program Committee (April 2000)
Member, ASIL Roster of Experts (for media inquiries regarding the ICJ)
- **American Bar Association (ABA), Section of International Law**, *Member*
Co-Chair (with Keith Highet), International Courts Committee (1995-1999)
Co-author, ABA Report and Resolution on the International Criminal Court (1997)
Program Organizer & Moderator, Mock Proceedings before the International Criminal Court, ABA Year 2000 Annual Meeting, London (2000)
- **Association of the Bar of the City of New York**, *Member*
Member, International Arbitration Committee (2008-2009)
Member, United Nations Committee (2006-2009)
Member, Committee on International Law (1996-1999)
Co-author, Report on the Proposed International Criminal Court (1997)
Secretary, Task Force on International Legal Services (1995-1996)

LECTURES/PRESENTATIONS

- Guest lectures/presentations on international law & practice: Harvard Law School (2006; 2013; 2022; 2024); Columbia Law School (2010); Stanford Law School (2005-07); Yale Law School (2002; invited by Prof. Michael Reisman); Georgetown University Law Center (1998); Pepperdine University School of Law (2005); Organization of American States' XXV *Curso de derecho internacional*, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil (1998); Duke University (NY Guest Faculty, 1997-98); Villanova University School of Law (1997-98); Seton Hall Law School (2004; 1998-99); Brooklyn Law School (2005; 1996-97; 1999); University of Virginia School of Law (1992; invited by Prof. Shabtai Rosenne); Leiden University (1994); and at numerous conferences, seminars, and associations worldwide.

BAR ADMISSIONS

State of New York (1992), Eastern/Southern District Courts of New York (2000); U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit (2012); Supreme Court of the United States (2022)

PUBLICATIONS

- *Arbitration of International Disputes in New York* (2024) (Juris, ISBN 978-1-944825-72-0, 380 pages; Foreword by Hon. Charles N. Brower) (<https://arbitrationlaw.com/books/arbitration-international-disputes-new-york>)
- *Making Transnational Law Work in the Global Economy—Essays in Honour of Detlev Vagts* (2010) (Cambridge University Press, ISBN 9780521192521; Foreword by Professor Harold H. Koh (Yale)) (as principal editor, with Rudolf Dolzer and Michael Waibel) (reviewed in 106 *American Journal of International Law* 215 (2012))
- *World Court Decisions at the Turn of the Millennium (1997-2001)* (2002) (Kluwer Law International, ISBN 90-411-1791-1; Foreword by ICJ President Stephen Schwebel)
- *Commentaries on World Court Decisions (1987-1996)* (1998) (Kluwer Law International, ISBN 90-411-0558-1; Foreword by Professor Abram Chayes (Harvard Law School)) (as editor & principal author)
- *The Legal Position of Intergovernmental Organizations – A Functional Necessity Analysis of Their Legal Status and Immunities* (1994) (Martinus Nijhoff Publishers, ISBN 0-7923-2904-X; 2nd ed. 2025 Brill Nijhoff; Foreword by ICJ President Sir Robert Jennings) (doctoral dissertation) (mentioned as one of seven standard immunity works in a book review in 99 *American Journal of International Law* 730, n. 1 (2005))
- Over 100 articles and notes in: *The American Journal of International Law* (25 publications since 1993); *Newsletter of The American Society of International Law*; *ASIL Insights*; *ICSID Review—Foreign Investment Law Journal*; *Harvard International Law Journal Online*; *Harvard Social Impact Review*; *The Yale Journal of International Law*; *Cornell International Law Journal*; *The International Lawyer*; *Leiden Journal of International Law*; *Pepperdine Dispute Resolution Law Journal*; *Stockholm Arbitration Report*; *Netherlands International Law Review*; *International Law FORUM du droit international*; *Chinese Journal of International Law*; *The International Journal of Marine and Coastal Law*

RECENT REPRESENTATIONS

Lead counsel for Pakistan in the *Nuclear Disarmament* Case before the International Court of Justice

Lead counsel for the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) in the *Global Mechanism* Case before the International Court of Justice

Counsel and Advocate for the Caribbean Regional Fisheries Mechanism (CRFM—17 Member States) in *Case 21* before the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea (advisory proceeding)

Lead counsel for Erste Group Bank AG (Austria) in its treaty-based arbitration against the Republic of Croatia before the International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID Case ARB/17/49) (settled)

Lead counsel for an Eastern European country in an investment treaty arbitration arising from an investment in the mining sector and conducted under the UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules

Lead counsel for five respondents in an international arbitration under the ICC Rules in New York

Lead counsel for a Scandinavian party prevailing in an *ad hoc* accounting arbitration in New York

Member of an arbitral tribunal in a dispute between American parties under the AAA-ICDR Rules in New York

LANGUAGES

English (UN Level IV); French (Level III); Dutch (Level IV); German (Level III); Spanish (Level II)

NATIONALITY; RESIDENCY

The Netherlands; U.S. Permanent Resident (Green Card), resident of New York; U.K. work permit.