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Expertise and Practice

Brooke Holden is a commercial litigator with experience in a broad range of disputes involving or arising out of shareholder claims, joint ventures, commercial agreements, major infrastructure, construction and engineering projects, fraud and insolvency. She has represented clients across a range of industries, including infrastructure, energy & resources, construction, financial services and corporates.

Many of Brooke's projects have a multi-jurisdictional element and she has considerable experience with cross-border applications, asset tracing and enforcement of judgments. Her projects often involve obtaining urgent injunctions and asset freezing orders, including injunctive (mareva) relief in respect of various fraudulent schemes on behalf of individual, corporate and statutory authorities around the world.

Brooke's experience includes disputes resolved through litigation and arbitration, and she has advised and represented clients with respect to ad hoc arbitrations and arbitrations under various institutional rules, including HKIAC, ICC, UNCITRAL, CIETAC and SIAC.

Clients appreciate Brooke's commercial acumen and her pragmatic, solutions driven advice. She has lived and worked in Hong Kong for over a decade and understands the opportunities and risks of doing business in Asia. Brooke regularly advises clients on risk management and dispute avoidance strategies.

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Project Highlights

- Represented a Belgian private equity fund in relation to a joint venture dispute involving their exit from the Hong Kong market and recovery of high-value assets.
- Represented a minority shareholder in a complex multi-jurisdictional dispute involving a statutory derivative action alleging unlawful conspiracy to injure.
- Represented Latin America's largest investment bank and two of its directors in respect of a high profile multi-jurisdictional employment dispute.
- Represented an Asian-based investment advisory group in proceedings against a former director involving claims of negligence, breach of warranties and breach of fiduciary duties.
- Represented a leading Indian jewellery conglomerate in respect of cross-border insolvency proceedings.
- Represented a Singaporean company in a jurisdictional challenge involving a cross-border shipping dispute arising out of a high profile liquidation.
- Represented a high net worth individual in a complex family trust dispute (value exceeding several billion US\$).
- Represented a PRC company in HKIAC administered arbitration proceedings against a Korean company in respect of a contractual claim for supply of goods.
- Represented an international contractor in arbitration proceedings against the Hong Kong Government on one of Hong Kong's largest infrastructure projects.
- Represented a Macau contractor in a Hong Kong seated arbitration against a Macau developer in connection with a casino resort development.
- Represented a main contractor in defending sub-contractor proceedings in the Guam Superior Court relating to the construction of a luxury retail store.
- Advised a Philippine Concessionaire in relation to settlement of a dispute in connection with the construction of a major expressway development in Manila.

Career

Prior to joining Lipman Karas in 2017, Brooke was a partner at Gall.

Brooke began her career at Minter Ellison in Brisbane, Australia, before relocating to Hong Kong with the firm in 2005. In 2007 she joined Pinsent Masons, where she worked for over seven years.

Qualifications

- Bachelor of Laws (Honours), Griffith University (2003)
- Bachelor of Arts in Asian and International Studies, Griffith University (2003)
- Graduate Diploma of Practical Legal Training, Griffith University (2004)
- Overseas Lawyers Qualification Examination, Hong Kong SAR (2007)

Admissions

- Supreme Court of Queensland (2004)
- High Court and Hong Kong SAR (2008)
- Senior Courts of England and Wales (2012)