

## Oliver (Ollie) J. Armas

Partner  
New York

### Biography

Ollie Armas is Global Head of International Arbitration and also on the leadership team of the firm's Global Enforcement Team (on judgment enforcement and asset tracing/recovery). He is sought out by clients around the world to resolve their most complex and delicate matters in domestic and foreign litigation and before international arbitration tribunals.

With his 30 plus years of experience, Ollie advises clients on matters in a variety of industries including life sciences and health care, consumer, energy and natural resources, investment treaty disputes, construction, and technology.

Fluent in Spanish, with an understanding of Portuguese, he routinely counsels clients on matters connected to Latin America. He is also well-known for his work connected to Asia.

As a sought-after arbitrator, he has handled arbitrations under the rules of many of the major arbitral institutions around the world and has acted as a foreign legal adviser (on U.S. law) in court proceedings in Mexico and Peru.

### Representative experience

Defended a Brazilian mining and metals company in alleged product defect litigation in Missouri concerning



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### Languages

English  
Spanish  
Portuguese

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### Practices

Administrative and Public Law  
Banking and Finance Litigation  
Commercial Litigation  
International Arbitration  
Investigations, White Collar, and Fraud  
Energy Disputes  
Business and Human Rights

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materials imported to the United States.

Defended an Argentine oil company in a New Jersey litigation relating to environmental contamination and supposed fraudulent conveyances.

Obtained a defense verdict in the Southern District of New York for a U.S. asset-based lender against an Italian clothes manufacturer (Diesel).

Represented Cayman-based and UK-based investment funds in litigation in Brazil, Bermuda, and Uruguay related to restructuring of debentures.

Represented a manufacturer of human blood sourced products in an ICDR arbitration against one of its business partners.

Represented U.S. multinational in an ICDR arbitration regarding the exercise of a put option in a Taiwanese Company.

Represented an owner in an ICC construction arbitration in Panama with its EPC contractor.

Represented an Abu Dhabi-based owner in an UNCITRAL arbitration regarding the construction of a hotel development in Mexico.

Represented a global pharmaceutical company in an AAA arbitration involving a development and license agreement dispute.

Represented a Peruvian investor in a tax refund arbitration with the Government of Peru.

Represented a U.S. electric utility company in a JAMS arbitration regarding a merger transaction.

On behalf of a Chinese parent, conducted an internal investigation of its Latin American subsidiaries for potential FCPA violations.

Represented a U.S. pharmaceutical in an internal investigation regarding judicial corruption in Mexico.

## Industries

Automotive

Diversified Industrials

Energy and Natural Resources

Life Sciences and Health Care

Technology and Telecoms

Private Capital

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## Areas of focus

Construction and Engineering

Public International Law

Global Asset Recovery and Enforcement

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## Education and admissions

### Education

J.D., New York University School of Law, 1990

M.P.A., New York University, Wagner Graduate School of Public Administration, with honors, 1987

B.A., New York University, College of Arts and Sciences, with honors, 1986

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## Memberships

Member, American Bar Association

## Awards and rankings

- International Arbitration (Global Market Leaders), *Chambers Global*, 2014-2021
- International Arbitration (Nationwide), *Chambers USA*, 2014-2021
- International Arbitration (Latin America-wide), *Chambers Latin America*, 2014-2021
- International Arbitration (USA), *Chambers Global*, 2013-2020
- International Arbitration (Latin America-wide), *Chambers Global*, 2013-2020
- Acritas Star, *Acritas Stars Independently Rated Lawyers*, 2018-2019
- Distinguished Leader Award, *New York Law Journal*, 2018
- International Arbitration (USA), Foreign Expert for Latin America-wide, *Chambers Global*, 2014-2019
- Litigation: International Arbitration, Recommended, *The Legal 500*, 2014
- Benchmark: Litigation (NY Star; Products Liability and General Commercial)
- Who's Who of International Arbitration
- Who's Who of International Litigation
- Guide to the World's Leading Experts in Commercial Arbitration

## Latest thinking and events

- Published Works
  - An overview of contracts, negotiation, and enforcement in the United States *Thomson Reuters Practical Law*
- Press Releases
  - Hogan Lovells signs 'Green Pledge' committing to greener arbitration practices
- Webinar

Member, New York State Bar Association (International Law Section, Chair 2007 and current member of its Executive Committee)

Member, Association of the Bar of the City of New York (International Commercial Disputes Committee)

Member, International Bar Association

Member, USCIB of the International Chamber of Commerce

Member, London Court of International Arbitration (the North American Users' Council and the Latin American Users' Council)

Member, New York International Arbitration Club

Advisory Committee, Swiss Arbitration Academy (SAA)

Advisory Committee, Argentine Commission of National and Transnational Arbitration (CARAT)

Member, ALARB

Roundtable Group Roster of Experts

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## Bar admissions and qualifications

New York

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## Court admissions

U.S. District Court, Southern District of New York

U.S. District Court, Eastern District of New York

- Executive International Business Transactions Program
- Press Releases
  - 'Industry standard' for use of arbitration platforms moves a step closer as pan-firm collaboration receives support
- Announcements
  - Comparison of International Arbitration Rules, Fifth Edition
- Media Mention
  - Armas takes helm at Hogan Lovells *Global Arbitration Review*

U.S. District Court, District of Hawaii

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## Accolades

"Oliver Armas is great and collaborative."

*Chambers USA*

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"Incredibly smart and energetic,"  
"spectacular and incredible lawyer"

*Chambers Global*

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"Very thoughtful and inventive; he created arguments others wouldn't have thought of," "excellent experience"

*Chambers USA*

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"Wonderfully sharp," "an incredible lawyer," "we really value him"

*Chambers Latin America*

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"Highly analytical and provides key strategic advice."

*The Legal 500*

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