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#### Education

Second State Exam, State of Hesse, 2012

First State Exam, Humboldt University of Berlin, 2010

#### Bar Admissions

Frankfurt am Main

Max Stein acts for companies and governments in complex domestic and international litigation and arbitration matters, including investment arbitration. In particular, Mr. Stein has handled disputes involving corporate, energy, capital markets, construction and public international law. Mr. Stein also serves as an arbitrator.

Prior to joining Skadden in July 2015, Mr. Stein practiced at another major international law firm in Frankfurt for several years. During his education, he spent one year at the National University of Singapore where he focused on international trade and investment law.

Selected matters as counsel include:

- representing a major car manufacturer in a €1 billion arbitration against a U.S.-based automotive supplier and in a related U.S. lawsuit relating to the termination of a supply contract (DIS);
- defending the Republic of Moldova against a bilateral investment treaty claim by Russian investors in the banking sector (Arbitration Institute of the Stockholm Chamber of Commerce (SCC), Stockholm);
- representing an Indian automotive supplier in a dispute against its joint venture partner, a German supplier of parts for the automotive industry (*ad hoc* arbitration);
- advising a German multinational in International Court of Arbitration (ICC) proceedings against an Asian engineering company for additional payment in relation to the engineering, procurement and construction of a fertilizer plant in the Middle East;
- advising a leading German engineering company in relation to a dispute with another engineering company concerning the development of two waste water treatment plants in Russia;
- advising a global mechanical and plant engineering firm in a dispute with a German original equipment manufacturer in relation to the construction of an assembly line;
- representing a bank in a dispute with former board members regarding so-called *cum-ex* transactions;
- advising an international oil and gas company on the structuring of its investment in the Middle East to benefit from an investment treaty;
- advising a pharmaceutical company in a dispute regarding the sale of a joint venture share in the context of an M&A process;
- representing an international private equity fund as respondent in a post-M&A dispute with a strategic buyer regarding a target in the construction industry (DIS);
- advising an insurance broker on the issuance of an insurance policy for an *ad hoc* arbitration proceeding and related court proceedings in relation to the lease of satellites;
- advising a train manufacturer in a dispute with a multinational conglomerate in relation to the assembly of trains;
- representing a Central Asian state in a multibillion-dollar claim under the Energy Charter Treaty in relation to oil and gas fields (SCC);
- representing a Central Asian state in relation to proceedings for the setting aside of an award and enforcement proceedings in several jurisdictions;

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- representing a major German utilities company in a DIS arbitration for claims in relation to the operation of a biomass power plant and a wood pellet factory;
  - representing a Slovenian holding company before German courts in claims against two banks for unlawful realization of collateral;
  - representing an international construction and transport company in ICC mediation proceedings against a German multinational in relation to the construction of wind turbine generators for two wind parks;
  - representing a leading supplier of profiles for windows and doors in claims for contractual penalties before German courts; and
  - representing a steel trading company in an ICC arbitration against two African companies in relation to the failure to pay for a delivery of steel.

Mr. Stein regularly publishes on disputes topics and has lectured on commercial and investment arbitration at the University of Heidelberg, the Europa-Institut of Saarland University, the University of Frankfurt and KAZGUU University in Nur-Sultan, Kazakhstan. He serves on the ICC Task Force on ADR and Arbitration and is a member of the Rising Arbitrator Initiative, ICC Young Arbitrators Forum, DIS, DIS40 and Young ICCA.

## Publications

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“Goodbye to Investment Protection — Soon Companies Will No Longer Be Able To Turn To Arbitral Tribunals for Disputes Within Europe,” *Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung*, May 2020

“Is Effective Intra-EU Investment Protection Ending?,” *International Law Office* newsletter, May 2019

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“*Ludex Non Calculat* Was Yesterday — How To Determine Chances To Succeed in Court Proceedings,” *Dispute Resolution*, March 2018

“Healthcare Enforcement & Litigation: Germany,” *Getting the Deal Through*, 2016-2018

“The Constitution of the Arbitral Tribunal” (chapter co-author), *Arbitration in Germany: The Model Law in Practice (Second Edition)*, 2015

“Investment Arbitration — From the Shadows Into the Spotlight?,” *Global Arbitration Review*, 2014

“Energy Charter Treaty Arbitration and the CIS Countries,” *The European, Middle Eastern and African Arbitration Review*, 2014