

Quinn Smith

Lawyer Arbitrator

Overview

Quinn is a practicing commercial lawyer and arbitrator working in the USA and internationally. He is a Member of the Miami International Arbitration Society, Cochair of the International Litigation and Arbitration Conference of the Florida State Bar and a Member of its Executive Council of International Law. He is familiar with AAA, ICC, IACAC, ICDR and CCBC Arbitration Rules. He has been described as a 'rising star' of Florida super lawyers. He is also a Member of the Comite Brasileira de Arbitragem and a Guest lecturer at the Faculdades de Curitiba.

Quinn is an expert in international trade, cross border investment and dispute resolution. He has an extensive commercial practice not only in North but South America particularly in Brazil & Colombia. Quinn is also founder of the Muevete Project.

Languages

English, Portuguese & Spanish

Recent Cases

- Represented American company in an arbitration with Brazilian company under the rules of the Inter-American Commercial Arbitration Commission ("IACAC").
- Represented Brazilian company in an arbitration with an American company under the rules of the ICC and later enforcement action.
- Counsel for Brazilian investor in large securities-related lawsuit in the Southern District of New York.

- Represented Brazilian shareholder in a corporate dispute under the rules of the Arbitration and Mediation Center of the Chamber of Commerce Brazil-Canada.
- Represented Guatemalan national in arbitration under ICDR Rules through application of Guatemalan law.
- Represented two associations of Brazilian power companies as amicus curiae in the Second Circuit Court of Appeals.
- Represented Brazilian financial services company in Portuguese language arbitration under the rules of the ICC.
- Lead counsel for ex-CFO sued as part of multi-billion dollar securities class action in the Southern District of Florida.
- Counsel for Argentinean investor in securities related arbitration under the auspices of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA).
- Represented large Brazilian franchisor in relation to its entry into the United States market.
- Advised large Brazilian power plant operator in arbitration under the rules of the ICC.

Testimonials:

Quinn Smith is a "Rising Star"

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Recent Publications

Quinn has published widely. His publications include:

- "Mechanisms of Control on the Circulation of Foreign Capital, Products, and People in Brazil," the Inter-American Law Review (2012).
- Co-author of the Miami Arbitration Reports
- "Responsabilidade Civil em Contrato Internacional," Valor Online, Aug. 4, 2011.
- "The Future of Ethics in International Arbitration: A Review of Prominent Sources of Rules and Next Steps for the Profession," 1 Revista Académica del Grupo de Estudios en Arbitraje (2011)
- "The Importance and Timely Demise of Extra-Statutory," Lima Arbitration Review (2011).
- "O Brasil na Arbitragem Internacional," Valor Online, June 2, 2010.

- "Brazil in the Context of International Arbitration," in Infrastructure Law of Brazil, Justen Filho, Marcal & Pereira, Cesar A.G. (eds.), (Forum, Brazil 2010).
- "A Possivel Alteracao do Cenario Arbitral nos Estados Unidos e seus Efeitos na Arbitragem Internacional," in Arbitragem e Poder Publico, eds. Cesar Augusto Guimaraes Pereira & Eduardo Talamini (2010).
- "Reviewing the History and Application of Article 7," in the CISG-Brasil Database, republished in 1 Transnational Dispute Management (2011).
- "Sotomayor's Position on Arbitration: A Survey of Past Cases and a View to the Future," Transnational Dispute Management, (2009), adapted and republished in 2 New York Dispute Resolution Lawyer 2 (2009).
- "Addressing the New York Convention's Latest Challenge: Enforcing Arbitral Awards in United States Courts after Chromalloy and TermoRio," Mealeys' Executive Summary (Oct. 2008), republished in 6 Revista de Arbitragem e Mediacao 21 (2009).
- "Redefining International Arbitration Proceedings Located in the United States," No. 4 Spain Arbitration Review (2009).
- "The Extent of the Arbitral Tribunal's Power to Manage Discovery in the United States of America," 19 Mealey's Litigation Report: Reinsurance 20 (2009), republished in 22(6) Revista de Arbitragem e Mediacao 156 (2009).
- "Revista: International Commercial Arbitration, United States Doctrinal Developments and American Style Discovery," 20 Revista Brasileira de Arbitragem (2009).
- "On Dangerous Footing: The Non-Statutory Standards for Reviewing an Arbitral Award," 18 Am. Rev. Int'l Arb. 122 (2008).
- "Arbitrating at the Crossroads of East and West: An Overview of Prominent Arab National Arbitration Laws," 24 International Litigation Quarterly 3, 20 (2008).

Recent Conferences & Lectures

- "The Arbitrator and Her Economic Activities," Speaker at the X Congress of the Brazilian Committee on Arbitration (2012) (in Portuguese).
- Speaker at ICDR International Arbitration Conference, Bogota, Colombia,
 October (2012)

- Speaker at Roundtable on the New Portuguese Arbitration Law, presented jointly by the ICDR Y&I, Young ICCA, and ICC YAF, at the Cámara de Comercio de Portugal, Lisbon, March 2012.
- "When Things Go Wrong, Take a Stand," moderator at event hosted by ICDR Y&I, presented at the Arbitration Center of the Federation of Industries of the State of São Paulo, Nov. 28, 2011 (in Portuguese).
- "Treaty Claims under Subject-Matter Agreements," moderator of a panel for the event "A Closer Look Beyond ICSID," a joint presentation of Florida International University's School of Law and the Instituto Latinoamericano de Arbitraje, Nov. 8, 2011.
- "Multi-Party Arbitration," a lecture with Cristian Conejero Roos for the Diploma in International Arbitration from the Arbitration Center of the Chamber of Commerce of Lima, Oct. 25, 2011 (in Spanish).
- Member of Tribunal for Mock Examination hosted at the University of Buenos Aires Law School, sponsored by ICC YAF, LCIA YIAG, ICDR Y&I, ILdeA, CIArb, and Young ICCA, Sept. 28, 2011 (in Spanish).
- "Introducción al Derecho Estadounidense," Escuela Superior de Economía y Negocios, San Salvador, El Salvador, March 14-18, 2011 (in Spanish).
- "Abuse of Process in Investment Arbitration," Current Developments in Investment Arbitration, Florida International University School of Law, Nov. 5, 2010.
- Emergency Arbitrator and Testifying Witness at Mock Arbitration under ICDR Rules, International Commercial Arbitration in Brazil, Sao Paulo, Brazil, Oct. 27, 2010.
- "Aspectos Juridicos e Culturais da Expansao de Negocios nos EUA," Lecture for the Brazilian Association of Bars and Restaurants, June 18, 2010 (in Portuguese).
- "O Judiciario e a Arbitragem: Consideracoes sobre a America Latina," Lecture for the Magistrate School of Curitiba, Parana, June 12, 2010 (in Portuguese).
- "Arbitragem nos EUA," Lecture at the Brazilian Federation of Banks, Sao Paulo, May 28, 2010 (in Portuguese).

- "Arbitragem nos EUA: Entendendo o Direito Americano," Lecture at the Pontifical Catholic University of Rio de Janeiro, May 27, 2010 (in Portuguese).
- "Danos na Arbitragem," Lecture for Parana Section of Brazilian Bar, Sept. 10, 2009 (in Portuguese).
- "Introducao a Lei Americana," Faculdades de Curitiba, Sept. 2009 (in Portuguese).
- "Contracts in the United States," Faculdades de Curitiba, Sept. 2009.

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