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PRACTICES

- International Arbitration (Commercial and Treaty)
- International Trade

AREAS OF FOCUS

- International Commercial Arbitration
- WTO Disputes
- Investment Treaty Arbitration
- Trade Policy and Negotiations

ADMISSIONS & CERTIFICATIONS

- District of Columbia, 2005
- New York, 1999

EDUCATION

- The George Washington University Law School (S.J.D., 1994)
- The George Washington University Law School (LL.M., 1992)
- Moscow Institute of International Relations (J.D., 1981)

STANIMIR A. ALEXANDROV is co-leader of the firm's International Arbitration group. Mr. Alexandrov focuses his practice in the areas of international dispute resolution, including investor-state arbitration and international commercial arbitration, and resolution of trade disputes before the World Trade Organization (WTO).

He has represented private parties and governments in arbitration before the International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID), as well as in ICC, UNCITRAL, AAA and other international arbitrations. He has also represented governments in WTO disputes. Mr. Alexandrov's current and recent representations include global investors, such as Bechtel, Cargill, Fireman's Fund Insurance Co., GE, Impregilo, Lone Star, Tate & Lyle, Veolia, Vivendi, and of sovereigns including Bulgaria, Costa Rica, Peru and Turkey.

Mr. Alexandrov has been appointed to the ICSID's Panel of Arbitrators and serves as an arbitrator in numerous ICSID, ICC, LCIA, and PCA cases, as well as cases under the UNCITRAL arbitration rules. He has appeared as an expert witness in international arbitration on investment treaty interpretation.

He is a member of the Executive Council of the American Society of International Law and was elected to the Governing Board of the International Council for Commercial Arbitration (ICCA).

Mr. Alexandrov is consistently listed as a leading practitioner in industry publications including *Chambers USA*, *Chambers Global*, *Chambers Latin America*, *The Legal 500: United States*, *The Legal 500: Latin America*, *The International Who's Who of Business Lawyers* (Arbitration), *Benchmark Litigation* (Local Litigation Star and National Star for International Arbitration) and *Who's Who Legal's Commercial Arbitration*. *Chambers Global* consistently ranks Mr. Alexandrov in Band 1 where he is described as "a master strategist and a great speaker; one of the best investment lawyers in the field" and where "clients praise his in-depth knowledge and extensive experience of investor-state arbitration." In *The Legal 500: United States* he is "an authority for investment disputes."

Mr. Alexandrov was selected by *Chambers USA* 2013, as a Leader in their Field and it is noted that he "has an excellent reputation for his impressive investment treaty expertise" and that he is "recognized as having 'tremendous experience and unique insights specific to international arbitration that have proven invaluable.'" Mr. Alexandrov was listed in the 2012, 2014, 2015 and 2016 editions of *The Best Lawyers in America*, recognized as "Lawyer of the Year" 2012 for International Arbitration – Governmental, and "Lawyer of the Year" 2014 for International Arbitration – Commercial. *Washingtonian* magazine has routinely included Mr. Alexandrov on its list of Washington's Best Lawyers and referred to him as one of the region's "best legal minds" in the area of International Trade and Arbitration.

Mr. Alexandrov's work is also praised by his peers. For example, another firm's dispute practice chair mentioned him as a lawyer who impresses him: "Stanimir Alexandrov. . . is someone I have long admired. Stanimir has vast

experience as both an advocate and arbitrator in international arbitrations, and exemplifies all of the qualities that I have identified as keys to success for your lawyers in the field.” (*Law360*, 2016).

EXPERIENCE

Mr. Alexandrov was Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs of Bulgaria, where he managed Bulgaria’s relations with the European Union, the United Nations, the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe and NATO and was responsible for all legal work of the Foreign Service. Prior to that, he served as Deputy Chief of Mission of the Embassy of Bulgaria in Washington, D.C., where he negotiated trade and investment agreements and worked with the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund.

He is a professor at the George Washington University Law School in Washington, D.C., and the American University Washington College of Law, where he teaches courses on international law and dispute settlement. Mr. Alexandrov is a regular speaker at conferences, seminars, roundtables and other forums on topics regarding investor-state arbitration and international law.

Mr. Alexandrov’s publications have been cited by parties to disputes before the International Court of Justice and by Judges of the Court.

In addition to English and Bulgarian, he is fluent in French, Russian and Spanish.

PUBLICATIONS

Books:

- *International Human Rights in a Nutshell*, Sofia, 1997, with Judge Thomas Buergenthal (in Bulgarian).
- *Self-Defense Against the Use of Force in International Law*, Kluwer, 1996.
- *Reservations in Unilateral Declarations Accepting the Compulsory Jurisdiction of the International Court of Justice*, Martinus Nijhoff, 1995.

Select Articles:

- “El Tratado de la Carta de Energia: Un modelo exitoso de acuerdo multilateral para la protección de inversiones,” *Revista Argentina de Derecho de la Energía, Hidrocarburos y Minería* 3 (2014).
- “On the Perceived Inconsistency in Investor-State Jurisprudence,” in José E. Alvarez and Karl P. Sauvant, eds., *The Evolving International Investment Regime* (Oxford, 2011).
- “Breach of Treaty Claims and Breach of Contract Claims: Is It Still Unknown Territory?” *Arbitration under International Investment Agreements: A Guide to the Key Issues* (Katia Yannaca-Small ed., Oxford 2010).
- “Enforcement of ICSID Awards: Articles 53 and 54 of the ICSID Convention,” *International Investment Law for the 21st Century: Essays in Honour of Christoph Schreuer* (Oxford, 2009).
- “*Vivendi (Compañía de Aguas del Aconquija) v. Argentina Case*,” *Max Planck Encyclopedia of Public International Law* (2008).
- “The Compulsory Jurisdiction of the International Court of Justice: How Compulsory Is It?” *Chinese Journal of International Law* 29, 5(1) (2006).
- “The ‘Baby Boom’ of Treaty-Based Arbitrations and the Jurisdiction of ICSID Tribunals: Shareholders as ‘Investors’ and Jurisdiction Ratione Temporis,” *The Law and Practice of International Courts and Tribunals* 19, 4 (2005).
- “Breaches of Contract and Breaches of Treaty,” *Journal of World Investment and Trade* 555 5(4) (2004).
- “Accepting the Compulsory Jurisdiction of the International Court of Justice with Reservations: An Overview of Practice with a Focus on Recent Trends and Cases,” *Leiden Journal of International Law* 89,14 (2001).
- “Non-Appearance before the International Court of Justice,” *Columbia Journal of Transnational Law* 33, 41 (1995).
- “Delimitation of the Continental Shelf in an Enclosed Sea,” *Hague Yearbook of International Law*, 3 (1992).