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Seohyung acts as an advocate and adviser in a broad range of commercial litigation and arbitration disputes. Her areas of expertise include commercial litigation/international arbitration, civil fraud, energy, construction, professional negligence, public international law and sports law. She acts for a wide range of clients, from multinational corporations, international organisations, and government and public bodies to private individuals.

She has particular experience in international arbitration having worked at both Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer's international arbitration team in Paris and Fietta LLP in London before coming to the bar. She is familiar with many of the institutional rules, including ICC, ICSID, LCIA and UNCITRAL, and is frequently instructed as junior counsel in high-profile, high-value disputes, involving English law, foreign law and international law.

Prior to joining Chambers, Seohyung was a judicial assistant to Lord Justice David Richards in the Court of Appeal where she assisted in the preparation of a number of high-profile appeals.

Seohyung studied Maths and Literature at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (Outstanding Achievement Award), a Masters in Social Anthropology at the University of Oxford (Distinction, highest mark of the year for dissertation), and an LLM at Harvard Law School.

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Areas of Expertise

Public International Law, International Human Rights Law and International Criminal Law

Seohyung's recent experience in this area includes:

- Advising on interim measures under the European Court of Human Rights
- Advising a prominent journalist in East Asia on her international human rights claims;
- Advising on service of arbitration claim forms and applications for enforcement on a state and questions concerning the State Immunity Act 1978;

Seohyung's pre-pupillage experience includes:

- Assisting in a dispute between two South American states before the International Court of Justice, concerning an alleged obligation to negotiate access to the Pacific Ocean;



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- Assisting in an Inter-State case before the European Court of Human Rights regarding the violation of the right to fair trial;
- Contributing to an *amicus curiae* brief to the International Criminal Court on mass claims processing techniques in the case against a Congolese politician for war crimes;
- Preparing training materials on the Law of the Sea and Maritime Delimitation for a state's ministry of foreign affairs;
- Advising an NGO on bringing a European Convention on Human Rights claim against a state for crowded hospital conditions;
- Assisting in designing a training programme for Brazilian judiciary on conventionality control under the Inter-American Court of Human Rights;
- Contributing to a Pakistani NGO's shadow report on police accountability to the Committee Against Torture

Qualifications & Memberships

BS, MIT; MSc, Oxford; LLM, Harvard.

Languages

Korean (fluent), French (reading), Spanish (reading).

Insights

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