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BIOGRAPHICAL DATA

Haig OGHIGIAN
Borden Ladner Gervais LLP
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Nationality: Canadian

EDUCATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

Diploma, International Commercial Arbitration, The Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, Keble College, Oxford, U.K., 1998;
Diploma, Japanese Language Studies, U.S. Department of State, Foreign Service Institute, Yokohama, Japan, 1986-88;
Graduate Studies and Research, Harvard University, Faculty of Law, East Asian Legal Studies Program, Boston, Massachusetts, United States of America, 1984-86;
LL.B., National Program, McGill University, Faculty of Law, Montreal, Canada 1979;
B.A., Major in North American Studies: Joint Honours History and Political Science, McGill University, 1976.

Bar Admission:

Barrister & Solicitor, Law Society of British Columbia, Canada, 1980;
(Gai-ben status).

Registered Foreign Attorney, Japan, Nippon-Bengoshi Rengokai (Nichi-Ben-Ren), Federation of Japanese Bar Association, 2002.

LANGUAGES

English, French and Japanese

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PRESENT POSITION

Senior Counsel, Borden Ladner Gervais LLP, Vancouver, Canada.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE BEFORE PRESENT POSITION

Senior Counsel, Fasken, Montréal, Canada;
 Senior Counsel, Woods LLP, Montréal, Canada;
 Attorney and Counselor at Law, Squire Gaikokuho Kyodo Jigyo Horitsu Jimusho (Squire Patton Boggs), Tokyo, Japan, 2016-2019;
 Partner, Baker & McKenzie GJBJ, Tokyo Aoyama Aoki Koma Law Office (Gaikokuho Joint Enterprise) Tokyo, 2006-2016;
 Adjunct Professor, University of Tokyo, Tokyo, Japan, 2007;
 Special Advisor to General Counsel, Citibank Private Bank, Tokyo, Japan, 2005;
 Acting General Counsel, Bayerische Hypo-und Vereinsbank, A.G., Tokyo, Japan, 2003-2004;
 Industry Association Counsel (Baxter, Bayer and Aventis Behring) regarding regulatory, compliance and government issues, from 2003;
 Attorney and Counselor-at-Law, Jones, Day, Reavis & Pogue, 2000-2006;
 Barrister & Solicitor, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, 1991-2000;
 Adjunct Professor, University of British Columbia, Faculty of Law, Vancouver, British Columbia, 1992-95;
 Legal-Economic Officer, Canadian Embassy, Tokyo, Japan, 1988-91;
 Visiting Professor, Rikkyo University, Faculty of Law, Tokyo, Japan, 1989-91;
 Vice-Consul, Canadian Consulate General, Boston, Massachusetts, 1983-86;
 Counsel, International Law Division, Legal Affairs Bureau, Department of External Affairs, Ottawa, Ontario, 1982-83;
 Barrister & Solicitor, (Articled Clerk for John D. McAlpine), Vancouver, British Columbia, 1979-82.

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Mergers & Acquisitions; Joint Ventures; License Agreements; Distribution Agreements; Construction and Engineering; Corporate Governance; Financial Institutions; Compliance Issues; Anti-dumping & Countervail; Technology Transfer Agreements; and, other General Corporate, Commercial & Trade Law matters.

MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL BODIES

Japan Commercial Arbitration Association (JCAA);
 American Arbitration Association (ICDR Panel), 2001;
 North American and Canadian Committees, International Chamber of Commerce (ICC);
 International Panel of the International Centre for Dispute Resolution of American Arbitration Association (AAA);
 Swiss Arbitration Association (ASA);
 Dai-Ni Tokyo Bengoshikai (Federation of Tokyo Bar Association No. 2), 2002;
 British Columbia International Commercial Arbitration Association (BCICAC);
 World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO);
 Beijing Arbitration Association (BAA);
 Philippine Dispute Resolution Center;

Fellow, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, 1998;

Law Society of British Columbia, 1980;
Canadian Bar Association, 1980.

MAJOR PUBLICATIONS

“*A Propos de la Nouvelle Loi Japonaise sur l’Arbitrage et du Règlement de l’AJAC*”, Les Cahiers de l’Arbitrage, Paris, April 2006;

“*Japan’s New Arbitration Law*” Mealey’s International Arbitration Report, Vol. 21 #2, Feb. 2006;

“*The Flexibility of Commercial Mediation: A Case Example*” Mealey’s International Arbitration Report, Vol. 18 #4, April 2003;

“*The Mediation/Arbitration Hybrid: A Work In Progress?*”, The Journal of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, Vol. 68 #1, Feb. 2002;

“*Electronic Commerce in Japan*”, (co-authored with Toru Yamada), Chapter in World Online Business Law, Oceania Publications, Nov. 2003;

“*The Law of Commerce in Japan*”, *Simon Schuster (Prentice Hall)*, March 1993.

EXPERIENCE IN MEDIATION

Mediator, Ad hoc , Commercial Mediation Rules, American Association of Arbitration (AAA), United States of America;

Mediator, Ad hoc, Commercial Mediator Rules, AAA, United States of America;

Mediator, BCICAC; Canada.

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING IN ARBITRATION

Diploma in International Commercial Arbitration at Keble College, Oxford, 1998.

EXPERIENCE IN ARBITRATION

Counsel, London Court of International Arbitration (LCIA), London, U.K. (2019)

Counsel, International Centre for Dispute Resolution (ICDR), San Francisco, U.S. (2019)

Counsel, Japan Commercial Arbitration Association (JCAA), Almaty/Tokyo (2018)

Counsel, Singapore International Arbitration Centre (SIAC), Singapore (2018)

Counsel, Brazil-Canada Chamber, Sao Paulo, Brazil (2017)

Counsel, International Chamber of Commerce (ICC), Tokyo, Japan (2017)

Counsel, ICC, Tokyo, Japan (2016)

Co-Arbitrator, JCAA, Tokyo, Japan (2016)

Presiding Arbitrator, ICC, Hong Kong (2015)

Co-Arbitrator, JCAA, Tokyo, Japan (2014)

Counsel, Arbitration, ICC, Singapore (2013)

Arbitrator, JCAA, Tokyo (2012)

Co-Arbitrator, Arbitration, JCAA, Tokyo, Japan (2012)

Co-Arbitrator, JCAA, Tokyo, Japan (2011)

Counsel, Arbitration, the Japan Commercial Arbitration Association (JCAA), Tokyo, Japan (2010)

Arbitrator (JCAA), Tokyo, Japan (2010)

Counsel, Arbitration, International Chamber of Commerce (ICC), Brussels, Belgium (2009)

Presiding Arbitrator, Arbitration (ICC), Tokyo, Japan (2009)

Counsel, Arbitration, London Court of International Arbitration (LCIA), London, U.K. (2008)

Party Appointed Arbitrator (JCAA), Tokyo, Japan (2008)

Presiding Arbitrator (ICC), Tokyo, Japan (2008)

Presiding Arbitrator (ICC), Seoul, Korea (2007)

Presiding Arbitrator (ICC), Tokyo, Japan (2007)

Counsel, Ad Hoc Arbitration (ICC as appointing authority)Tokyo, Japan (2007)

Counsel, Arbitration (ICC), Paris, France (2006)

Counsel, Arbitration, International Chamber of Commerce (ICC), Tokyo, Japan (2005);

Counsel, American Arbitration Association (AAA), Washington State, USA (2004);
Presiding Arbitrator (ICC), Tokyo, Japan (2004);

Counsel, Arbitration (ICC), Tokyo, Japan (2003);

Counsel, World Trade Organization (WTO) Panel, Geneva, Switzerland (2003);

Presiding Arbitrator (JCAA), Tokyo, Japan (2003);

Counsel, Ad hoc Mediation, Patent Dispute (ICC), Tokyo, Japan (2002);

Counsel, WTO Challenge to Japanese Legislation (2003);

Sole Arbitrator, WIPO, Geneva, Switzerland (2002);

Counsel, Conciliation (ICC), Tokyo, Japan (2002);

Counsel, Arbitration, The Japan Commercial Arbitration Association (JCAA), Tokyo, Japan (2001);
Party Appointed Arbitrator, British Columbia International;
Commercial Arbitration Centre (BCICAC), Vancouver, Canada (2000);

Mediator, Commercial Mediation Rules (AAA), Honolulu, USA (2000);

Mediator, Commercial Mediation Rules (AAA), Honolulu, USA (1999);

Counsel, Arbitration, Philippine Dispute Resolution Center, Manila, Philippines (1998);

Counsel, Arbitration (JCAA), Tokyo, Japan (1998);

Mediator, BCICAC, Vancouver, Canada (1998).

ARBITRATION EXPERIENCE**SUMMARY TABLE**

Type	Administering Institution		Role			
	Name	Number of Arbitrations	Presiding Arbitrator	Sole Arbitrator	Co-arbitrator	Counsel
International Arbitrations	AAA			3		1
	ICC		6			8
	JCAA		1	2	3	4
	Ad Hoc		1	2	1	3
Number of cases: sub-total			8	7	4	16
Domestic Arbitrations	AAA					
	Ad Hoc					
Number of cases: sub-total						
TOTAL			8	7	4	16

MEDIATION EXPERIENCE**SUMMARY TABLE**

Type	Administering Institution		Role	
	Name	Number of Mediations	Mediator	Counsel
International Mediations	JCAA		1	2
	Ad hoc			
Number of cases: sub-total			1	2
Domestic Mediations (Estimates)	AAA	3	3	
	Court-annexed			
	Ad Hoc			
Number of cases: sub-total		3	3	
TOTAL		3	4	2