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Gaëlle Filhol advises and represents clients in international commercial disputes, in particular in pre-arbitration and arbitration proceedings, negotiations and dispute adjudication. Gaëlle Filhol also trained in mediation with the Paris Arbitration and Mediation Center.

Gaëlle Filhol has significant experience of complex arbitration or dispute adjudication board proceedings in the sectors of energy (especially nuclear and oil & gas), infrastructure and heavy industry. She has an excellent understanding of the specificities of construction projects. She also acts regularly in international disputes relating to aviation/aeronautics, defense and post-M&A transactions, as well as information and high technologies.

LANGUAGES

French, English

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Since 2019	Managing Partner, BETTO PERBEN PRADEL FILHOL
2018-2019	Partner, BETTO PERBEN PRADEL FILHOL
2007-2017	Associate, White & Case LLP (Paris Office), International Arbitration

EDUCATION

2007	Paris, Bar Admission
2005	DEA in International Private Law, University of Paris II (Panthéon-Assas)
2003	DEA in the Sociology of Law, University of Paris II (Panthéon-Assas)
2002	Maîtrise (Honours) in Private Law, University of Paris II (Panthéon-Assas)
2001	Licence (LLB), University of Paris II (Panthéon-Assas)
2000	DEUG, University of Paris II (Panthéon-Assas)

PROFILE

Member of the Board of ArbitralWomen

Member of the IADC (International Association of Defense Counsel)

Member of the IBA (International Bar Association) and IBA Young Arbitration Practitioners

Member of the DRBF (Dispute Resolution Board Foundation)
Member of the CFA (*Comité Français de l'Arbitrage*) and CFA under 40
Member of the AFA (*Association Française de l'Arbitrage*)
Member of the ASA (Swiss Arbitration Association) and ASA below 40

RANKINGS

Best Lawyers 2021: International Arbitration (France)

Expert Guides 2020: « Rising star » – Commercial Arbitration France

Legal 500 EMEA 2020: “Gaëlle Filhol has the rare ability of listening, thinking and debating before coming to a conclusion”

Décideurs 2020:
“Excellent” – Litigation & Arbitration – International Arbitration

Who's Who Legal 2020: Arbitration Future Leaders - Partners

Legal 500 EMEA 2019: “Gaëlle Filhol is ‘always ready for a good fight’.”

Who's Who Legal 2019: Arbitration Future Leaders - Partners

Décideurs 2019:
“Excellent” – Litigation & Arbitration – International Arbitration

Expert Guides 2019: “Rising Star” – Commercial Arbitration France

Décideurs 2018:
“Leading” – Africa Desk – Arbitration & International Litigation
“Excellent” – Litigation & Arbitration – International Arbitration – Mediation / Africa Desk – Oil, Gas, Mining, Natural Resources and Energy

CREDENTIALS

As arbitrator:

Sole Arbitrator in an arbitration involving a construction dispute.
(1,5 million euros, ICC)

Party-appointed arbitrator in an arbitration involving a partnership agreement.
(1 million euros, AFA)

Sole Arbitrator in an arbitration involving the breach of a subscription agreement.
(500,000 euros, FAI)

As counsel, amongst others:

BIT Arbitration relating to the expropriation of a Western investor in an Eastern European State in various industrial sectors and in real estate.
(12 billion dollars - UNCITRAL/BIT, Seat in Madrid, English language)

Representing a major European energy provider in two arbitrations concerning the construction and installation by contractors of a nuclear power plant, including a long-running high-stakes €7 billion dispute.
(7 billion euros, ICC, Stockholm, English language)

Representing the main contractor on one of the world's largest infrastructure projects located in Central America, in a dispute against the employer. This matter also included dispute adjudication proceedings.
(2 billion USD, law of the Central American country, ICC, Miami, English language)

Representing an international consortium in pre-arbitration disputes on a major infrastructure project in North Africa.

(900 million euros, law of the North African country, ICC, Paris, English language)

Representing the subsidiary of a French listed company in a dispute concerning a post-M&A transaction in the oil storage sector.

(200 million euros, Dutch law, ICC, Geneva, English language)

Advising a European contractor in relation to pre-arbitration disputes regarding an energy project in sub-Saharan Africa.

(160 million dollars, French law, ICC, Paris, English language)

Representing a Middle East company in an ICC arbitration arising out of disputes relating to the construction of a major real estate project in the Middle East.

(AED 100 million, Dubai law, ICC, Dubai, English language)

Representing a leading French audit company in relation to a dispute arising out of an IT project.

(40 million euros, French law, ICC, Paris, French language)

Representation of a major aeronautics group in a dispute related to a licence agreement.

(25 million euros, French law, ad hoc procedure, English language)

Representation of a consulting firm in the defense sector industry company in a dispute related to the termination of a consultancy agreement with a major European aviation group of representation regarding the sale of military equipment.

(3 million euros, French law, ICC, Paris, French language)

Advising a leading high-technology company in relation to a dispute arising out of a supply contract.

(1.5 million euros, Swiss law, ICC, Geneva, English language)

Representing a sub-Saharan African State entity in a dispute concerning a port concession.

(OHADA law, ad hoc, French language)

Advising a French electric utility company in relation to long-term gas supply agreements.

Advising an international consortium in disputes over the construction of a large infrastructure project in Latin America.

PUBLICATIONS

"Avoiding and Resolving Disputes Through Dispute Boards", ICC Dispute Resolution Bulletin, 2018, No. 3

Co-author "*Refonte du droit des investissements en Afrique du Sud: vers l'exclusion d'un droit de recours général à l'arbitrage international?*" (South Africa issues draft bill on investment protection without general recourse to international arbitration for foreign investors), *Option Droit & Affaires*, 4 December 2013 (with Ch. von Krause)

Co-author, "*Révolutions, guerres civiles, actes de terrorisme: quand et comment invoquer la force majeure?*", *Bulletin Européen du Moniteur* (BEM), March 2013, p. 10 (with N. Bouchardie)

Co-author, "*International arbitration: French judges confirm that Paris is the leading place*", *La Lettre des Juristes d'Affaires*, 4 April 2011 (with Ch. von Krause)