



## Dalibor Valinčić

### OVERVIEW

Dalibor Valinčić is a partner of Queritius with more than 15 years of experience in international dispute resolution. Dalibor's experience includes litigation and international commercial and investor-state arbitrations. Dalibor has handled complex cross-border cases before various courts and appeared before tribunals under the auspices of leading international institutions, such as the International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID), the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC), the Vienna International Court of Arbitration (VIAC), and the Permanent Arbitration Court of the Croatian Chamber of Commerce. Dalibor also has appeared in arbitrations under the rules of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL).

Dalibor is focused on sectors such as oil and gas, construction, food industry and distribution, and hospitality industry, but also has experience in other fields. He has participated in cases under both bilateral and multilateral investment treaties, including the Energy Charter Treaty (ECT), as well as under various types of commercial and investment contracts.

Dalibor is a guest lecturer at the Osijek Law School in Croatia. He is a Member of the ICC Arbitration Commission and previously served as an officer with IBA's Arbitration Committee, co-heading the Eastern Europe Group of the IBA's Arbitration Committee. Dalibor is also a member of other reputable arbitration associations and a regular speaker and presenter at international conferences.

Before joining Queritius, Dalibor was a partner and a co-head of the international arbitration group in a major international law firm, and he was also a member of an international arbitration group of an international law firm in Washington, D.C.

### REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

#### COMMERCIAL ARBITRATION

- Counsel to a major multinational food producer in a dispute with its local distributor before the Vienna International Court of Arbitration (VIAC)
- Counsel to a water utility company in arbitration under the UNCITRAL Rules of Arbitration administered by the Permanent

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### BAR ADMISSIONS

- Croatia

### ACHIEVEMENTS

- Legal 500 Croatia – Leading Individual (Dispute Resolution)
- Chambers and Partners Croatia – Band 1 (Dispute Resolution)

Court of Arbitration (PCA) in a dispute with a contractor over the construction of a water processing plant

- Counsel to a multinational hotel chain in a dispute with a hotel owner over a hotel management agreement
- Counsel to a German investor in two arbitrations against a JV partner in a wood processing venture
- Arbitrator under Zagreb Rules concerning a business acquisition in the hospitality industry
- Counsel to a Hungarian oil and gas company in relation to a dispute concerning the validity of certain agreements entered into with the Croatian State
- Counsel to a Hungarian oil and gas company under the UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules concerning a breach of contract by a State

## **INVESTMENT TREATY ARBITRATION**

- Counsel to MOL Hungarian Oil and Gas Company Plc in an investment dispute before an international arbitral tribunal against the Republic of Croatia, regarding the Republic of Croatia's treatment of MOL's investment in Croatian oil company INA
- Counsel to a real-estate investor against the Republic of Croatia related to investments into major commercial and hospitality properties
- Advisor to an investor in a postal-services venture in an investment arbitration against Croatia

## **COMMERCIAL LITIGATION**

- Counsel to a Hungarian telecommunications company regarding a shareholders' dispute
- Advising an oil and gas company in relation to several hostile takeover bids
- Counsel to a Hungarian state-owned electricity producer in a dispute concerning a failed renewable-electricity generation project
- Counsel to a Hungarian state-owned electricity producer concerning a dispute regarding the development of power plant projects in the CEE region
- Counsel to a Dutch bank in relation to litigation proceedings arising out of the bankruptcy of the bank's debtor

## **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

- ICC Arbitration Commission
- IBA Arbitration Committee

## EDUCATION

- LL.M., Queen Mary and Westfield College, University of London, 2009
- LL.B., University of Zagreb, Faculty of Law, 2004

## LANGUAGES

English | Croatian