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Christopher Glasscock is an associate on the dispute resolution team at LOVILL. His areas of practice include national and international litigation in civil and commercial matters, as well as experience in international arbitrations under the ICC, ICSID, UNCITRAL and CECAP Rules, in disputes involving construction, logistics, joint ventures and States representation. He has a degree in Law and Political Science from the Universidad Católica Santa María la Antigua de Panamá, and has a Master of Laws (LL.M) in International Business and Economic Law with a Certificate in International Arbitration and Dispute Resolution from Georgetown University Law Center.

Among other relevant aspects, Christopher developed his international labor expertise working at the headquarters of the International Court of Arbitration of the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC), in Paris (2018), and in the International Arbitration Department of an international law firm in Washington DC (2020). In addition, Christopher publishes and regularly participates in dispute resolution and public international law issues.

He is currently a member of the Inter-American Bar Association (IABA), Young ITA, National Bar Association of Panama, LOVILL Foundation, ICC Global Internship Alumni and CSPC Presidential Fellows Program.

RELEVANT CASES IN COMMERCIAL DISPUTES

Represented a Dutch multinational corporation in the consumer goods industry, in a dispute against a Panamanian corporation for thirteen (13) million dollars under ICC Rules. Represented the client in the negotiations that led to an amicable settlement of the dispute between the parties' which enabled a continuation of their commercial relationship.

Represented a Spanish corporation and its subsidiaries in a construction dispute against a Panamanian corporation for four (4) million dollars in an arbitration under CeCAP Rules and court litigation.

Advised a multinational company in the construction sector in an international commercial arbitration for ten (10) million dollars under the ICC Rules.

Represents a US publicly traded corporation in the real estate industry in a multimillion dollar dispute with two major telecommunications carriers for breach and wrongful termination of contracts in Panama.

Represents a multinational corporation in the construction, real estate and retail industries in a plan of reorganization to preserve three hundred (300) million dollars' worth of assets in Panama. We are leading the reorganization and financial restructuring strategy, conducting comprehensive strategic negotiations with creditors and shareholders, as well as delivering sound business solutions compatible with the new outpour of Covid19 laws and regulations.

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PRACTICE AREAS

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Real Estate
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Bankruptcy

EDUCATION

Universidad Católica Santa María la Antigua (Panama), LL.B., cum laude

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RELEVANT CASES IN STATE REPRESENTATION

Represents an Ecuadorian state entity in a civil dispute for one hundred thirty (130) million dollars related to the diversion of public funds, fraud and seizure of private assets as a consequence of a bank fraud committed during a financial crisis in the represented state.

Represented an Ecuadorian state entity, in an annulment proceeding of an international arbitration award rendered under ICC rules for thirty (30) million dollars, before the Fourth General Business Chamber of the Supreme Court of Justice of Panama.

Represented an Ecuadorian state-owned oil entity in a complex transnational dispute for twelve (12) billion dollars that arose from fraudulent contractual claims filed by a group of Ecuadorian foundations, as a result of alleged environmental damages in the Amazon.

Represents a State in enforcement proceedings of a foreign judgment for six-hundred (600) million dollars in multiple jurisdictions, including Ecuador, Panama and the United States.

Represents and advises a State in investigation and criminal proceedings before the Panamanian courts, in relation to a multi-million dollar fraud.

Case related to a South American State in an arbitration under UNCITRAL rules against a North American mining company. The dispute arose from the revocation by the State of a license to explore and exploit a gold mine due to environmental damage and the protection of indigenous communities.

Case related to a South American State in an ICSID Annulment Proceeding against Swiss investors for an award that awards nineteen (19) million dollars. The dispute arose as a result of the validity of an annex to a coal concession contract and the alleged imposition of excessive royalties..

ARTICLES AND PUBLICATIONS

“Panama: Law and Practice”, Enforcement of Judgements Guide, Chambers & Partners, August 2020.

“Panama: Trends and Development”, Enforcement of Judgements Guide, Chambers & Partners, August 2020.

“Tendencias de España y Francia en la Aplicación de la Fuerza Mayor y Cláusula Rebus Sic Stantibus a raíz del COVID-19” (“Tendencies from Spain and France in the Application of Force Majeure and Rebus Sic Stantibus due to COVID-19”), LinkedIn article, July 2020.

“Fuerza Mayor y Caso Fortuito: Su Aplicación en Contratos Comerciales bajo la Ley Panameña y Principios UNIDROIT en tiempos de COVID-19” (“Force Majeure and Acts of God: Their Application in Commercial Contracts under Panamanian Law and UNIDROIT Principles in times of COVID-19”, Very Young Arbitration Blog (VYAB), May 2020.

“Análisis del Arbitraje Tributario en Panamá y su Aplicación” (“Analysis of Tax Arbitration in Panama and its Application”), LinkedIn article, June 2019.

“Apostar al Arbitraje como un método alternativo de solución de conflictos en Panamá” (“Betting on Arbitration as an alternative dispute resolution mechanism in Panama”), LOVILL Blog, June 2019.

“U.S.-Panama Relations and its Importance for the Security of the Panama Canal”, Center for the Study of the Presidency & Congress, May 2018.



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HONORS AND MEMBERSHIPS

HONORS

Excellence for the Future Award for excellence in studies of International Litigation and Arbitration, CALI & Georgetown Law, June 2020.

Fellowship in the Presidential Fellows Program of the Center for the Study of the Presidency and Congress (Washington, D.C.), 2017-2018.

Valuable Contribution to University Life Award, Universidad Católica Santa María la Antigua, 2014-2015.

MEMBERSHIPS

Georgetown International Arbitration Society

Young ITA

Hispanic Bar Association of the District of Columbia

Inter American Bar Association

Panamanian Bar Association (Colegio Nacional de Abogados)

ICC Global Alumni Network

LOVILL Foundation

CSPC Presidential Fellows Alumni Group

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

Panelist, La Reorganización como Mecanismo Legal para las Empresas ante la Crisis y los Procesos Concursales en Panamá, LOVILL Webinar Series, Panama, August 2020.

Organizer, Georgetown International Arbitration Month, Georgetown Law, Washington, D.C., February 2020.

Guest Speaker, Función y operatividad de la Corte de Arbitraje de la Cámara de Comercio Internacional y su Secretaría, IV Congress of Public International Law, Universidad de Panamá, Panama, November 2018.