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PROFESIONAL EXPERIENCE

Founder and managing partner in BARBORA ŠNÁBLOVÁ Attorneys, a boutique law firm specialising in complex dispute resolution (Prague, 2015)

Independent attorney advising and representing clients in commercial disputes and arbitration proceedings (2014-2015)

External counsel for commercial and investment arbitrations and international litigation at DLA Piper, Prague (Prague, 2010-2013)

Associate in the litigation and arbitration department at Weil, Gotshal & Manges (Prague, 2005-2009)

Legal trainee at the law firm Weinhold Legal (Prague, 2004)

Legal assistant at the law firm Kocián, Šolc & Balaščík (Prague 1997-2002)

AREAS OF PRACTICE

- Investor-state arbitration: has represented and advised domestic and foreign companies and sovereign governments in arbitrations under various procedural rules and has extensive experience arbitrating claims under bilateral investment treaties
- Commercial arbitration: has advised and represented clients in complex domestic and international arbitrations
- Arbitration-related litigation: has advised and represented clients in setting aside proceedings and enforcement of arbitral awards in various jurisdictions
- International and national litigation: has represented and advised clients in proceedings before Czech and international courts, including the Constitutional Court of the Czech Republic, the Supreme Administrative Court of the Czech Republic, and the European Court of Human Rights
- Sports law: has extensive experience with adjudicating sports-related disputes
- Cross-border business operations: has advised clients on international restructuring, setting up of global operations and pre-dispute strategy

ARBITRATOR'S EXPERIENCE

Arbitrator on the Secondary List of Arbitrators at the Maldives International Arbitration Centre (MIAC) (2025)

Arbitrator on the List of Arbitrators at the Dubai International Arbitration Centre (DIAC) (2025)

Arbitrator with the Dispute Resolution for Riot Games' Esports (EMEA) (2024)

Arbitrator with the National Arbitration Court for Sports, Czech Republic, adjudicating disputes related to anti-doping issues and disciplinary delicts of athletes (2023)

Member of the Arbitration Commission of the Czech Paralympic Committee, a standing panel adjudicating disputes between members of the Czech Paralympic Committee (2022)

Member of the Arbitration Commission of the Czech Basketball Federation, a standing panel adjudicating disputes between members of the Czech Basketball Federation, such as clubs, athletes, and coaches (2017)

INVESTOR-STATE ARBITRATION

- Representing two Cypriot entities against a sovereign state in an investment treaty arbitration under the UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules administered by the PCA regarding the cancellation of gaming licenses under a changed regulatory regime (seat of arbitration: The Hague)
- Advising an investor on restructuring and pre-dispute strategy in relation to investments in the energy sector in the Czech Republic and other European countries
- Advising a European producer of electric energy in relation to investment claims against the Republic of Bulgaria
- Representing a sovereign state against a German investor in an investment treaty arbitration under the UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules in relation to real estate investment and related business (seat of arbitration: Paris)
- Representing a sovereign state against a Canadian investor in an investment treaty arbitration under the UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules administered by the PCA in relation to investment in the aviation manufacturing industry (seat of arbitration: The Hague)
- Representing a sovereign state against a Dutch investor in an investment treaty arbitration under the UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules in relation to investment in the banking industry (seat of arbitration: Paris)
- Representing a Dutch investor against a sovereign state in an investment treaty arbitration under the UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules administered by the PCA in relation to investment in the banking sector (seat of arbitration: Geneva)

COMMERCIAL ARBITRATION

- Representing a major European producer of electric energy in international commercial

arbitrations under the ICC Arbitration Rules in relation to a post M&A dispute related to an investment in the Republic of Bulgaria (seat of arbitration: Vienna; governing law: law of the Republic of Bulgaria)

- Representing a central Czech bank in an arbitration under the Rules of the Arbitration Court attached to the Chamber of Commerce and the Agricultural Chamber of the Czech Republic in relation to bond issues

ARBITRATION RELATED LITIGATION

- Representing a Tunisian construction company in proceedings on recognition and enforcement of an arbitral award issued by an ad hoc arbitral tribunal in the Czech Republic (seat of arbitration: Tunis)
- Representing a Ukrainian agricultural producer in proceedings on recognition and enforcement of an arbitral award issued by the International Commercial Arbitration Court (Kijev, Ukraine) in the Czech Republic
- Advising a global gaming operator in setting aside proceedings of an arbitral award rendered under a BIT in the Netherlands
- Advising a sovereign state in the proceedings on enforcement of an arbitral award rendered under a BIT in Germany

LITIGATION

- Representing a major Czech gaming operator in multiple administrative litigations before Czech courts relating to the issuance of gaming permits, including before the Supreme Administrative Court
- Representing a client in proceedings before the Constitutional Court of the Czech Republic regarding various decisions of the Czech Financial Authorities
- Representing foreign investors in a leading Czech bank and its subsidiaries in various commercial litigations and insolvency proceedings in Czech courts
- Representing a major Czech telecommunication operator in relation to share emissions in commercial litigation in Czech courts
- Representing a Czech corporate client in proceedings before the European Court of Human Rights

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

ICC Advanced Arbitration Academy for Eastern Europe (2024)

Global Master in International Sports Law, ISDE Law Business School (Madrid, 2024)

JUDr., Faculty of Law, Charles University (Prague, 2005)

LL.M., London School of Economics and Political Science (2005)

Mgr., Faculty of Law, Charles University (Prague, 2004)

MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL ORGANISATIONS

Commission on International Arbitration, ICC Czech Republic

Arbitral Women

Attorney registered with the Czech Bar Association (2007)

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS, PUBLICATIONS, RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Judge at the Foreign Direct Investment International Arbitration Moot (FDI Moot 2025)

Judge at the Sports Law Arbitration Moot (SLAM 2025)

Speaker at a webinar organized by Kraków Bar of Attorneys on Best Litigation Practices from CEE, Poland (2025)

Speaker at a webinar organized by Vaishvik Law International on the judgments of the European Court of Justice and their impact on sports law in the Middle East region (2024)

Has authored the Czech Republic chapter in Enforcement Know-How, A Guide to Enforcement Legislation published by Global Arbitration Review (2017–2019)

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Czech (native)

English (professional level)

German (fluent)

Slovak (fluent)