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## BACKGROUND

Andrew has a First Class law degree from Gonville & Caius College, Cambridge University, and was awarded the Procter Fellowship to Princeton University where he studied international relations and international law. Andrew specialises in international arbitration and public international law.

## LATEST INSIGHTS

## KEY SERVICES

International Arbitration  
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## KEY SECTORS

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## EXPERIENCE

He has extensive experience of advising states, state-owned entities and major companies on all aspects of public international law. He has acted in ad hoc and institutional arbitrations across multiple jurisdictions and under a range of governing laws. He has also acted in high profile litigation cases before a range of international and domestic judicial bodies, including the European Court of Justice and General Court, the UK Supreme Court, House of Lords and Court of Appeal.

Andrew previously worked as a legal adviser to the UK Foreign and Commonwealth Office, and represented the UK at the UN in New York and the EU in Brussels, as well as in other international institutions. He has extensive experience of negotiating and advising on bilateral and multilateral treaties and other international instruments.

Andrew's experience includes:

- acting for a consortium of leading multinational energy companies in UNCITRAL arbitration and expert determination proceedings against a Central Asian Republic. The case concerned budget and schedule disputes worth US\$ 9 billion in a high-profile and politically significant dispute concerning one of the world's largest oil and gas projects
- acting for a multinational energy company in a US\$150 million ICC arbitration concerning the impact of compulsory price renegotiation through governmental regulation in the Indonesian coal industry, giving rise to complex issues of force majeure, contractual and common law termination rights, and the quantification of damages using the loss methodology
- acting for a multinational technology company in an LCIA arbitration against a national government involving disputes concerning highly confidential information
- acting for a subsidiary of a major UK plc in UK High Court proceedings relating to the application of EU sanctions to an oil and gas field in the North Sea

Andrew previously worked as a senior assistant legal adviser to the UK Foreign and Commonwealth Office including on postings to the UK Mission to the UN in New York and the UK Permanent Representation to the EU in Brussels. In 1999 he worked as a judicial assistant to the Rt Hon Lord Justice Evans in the English Court of Appeal. Andrew speaks English and French fluently.

Andrew presents regularly at seminars on international arbitration and public international law. He is a member of the International Law Association and the LCIA European Users' Council.