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A client commends Allison Torline as "*brilliant in strategy, pragmatic in approach, and relentless in preparation*" and specifically praises her "*critical support and client collaboration*"

- GAR 100 (13th Edition)

One to Watch – Arbitration and Mediation (2021)
- Best Lawyers / Handelsblatt

Allison Torline was born and raised in the United States. She completed her legal education in Washington, D.C. at the George Washington University Law School and is admitted to the New York Bar. After studying abroad in Freiburg im Breisgau and Milan, she began working in Germany in 2015. Before joining Busse Disputes, Allison Torline practiced as an attorney in two international law firms in the field of international dispute resolution. Fluent in German, Allison Torline is particularly well-suited to advise in cases involving non-German entities due to her international education and native English skills.

In addition to her counsel work, Allison Torline acts as arbitrator as well as secretary to arbitral tribunals. She has extensive experience in international arbitration, including proceedings conducted under the ICC, ICSID, DIS and HKIAC rules in addition to UNCITRAL and other ad hoc proceedings.

She represents clients inter alia from the trade, shipbuilding, construction, infrastructure, energy and service sectors. A particular focus of her practice is on the representation of States and investors in public international law disputes arising out of investment treaties. Furthermore, she is also frequently involved in post-M&A disputes related to earn-out clauses; and construction and infrastructure disputes based on FIDIC contracts. She has also represented clients with claims based on the CISG.

Selected Expertise

- Appointed as Sole Arbitrator in an ICC arbitration between a German and South Korean entity.
- Appointed as Co-Arbitrator in a DIS arbitration between a German and U.S. entity.
- Serving as Administrative Secretary in an ICC arbitration between an Italian and East-European country related to a large-scale infrastructure dispute.
- Representing a German industrial company in an ICC arbitration with an Eastern-European country in a dispute with claims arising out of a FIDIC contract.
- Representing a Canadian company bringing claims against a German company in a dispute arising out of a settlement agreement. The arbitration is conducted under the ICC Rules and is seated in Luxembourg.
- Advising a third-party funder on issues related to investment treaty arbitration, including potential violations of the FET Standard.
- Successfully defended a U.S. company against DIS arbitration claims filed against it by a German company concerning an alleged breach of earn-out protection rules stipulated in an SPA.
- Representing international investors in an ICSID arbitration against the Hellenic Republic based on violations of the investment treaty concluded between Lebanon and Greece.

Credentials

Busse Disputes Rechtsanwalts-gesellschaft mbH, Frankfurt, Germany March 2019 – Present
Senior Associate (May 2019) / Associate

Represent clients *inter alia* from the trade, shipbuilding, construction and services sectors in proceedings conducted under a variety of institutional rules. Serve as arbitrator and administrative secretary to arbitral tribunals.

Allen & Overy, Frankfurt, Germany November 2016 – March 2019
Associate

Represented clients in international arbitration cases under the ICC, ICSID and DIS rules in post-M&A, foreign investment, shipbuilding, and general commercial disputes.

McDermott Will & Emery, Frankfurt, Germany September 2015 - November 2016
Associate (February 2016) / Postgraduate Trainee

Represented clients in international arbitration cases subject to the ICC, ICSID and HKIAC rules as well as in *ad hoc* proceedings in disputes related to energy, construction and foreign investment.

Education

The George Washington University Law School, J.D., May 2015

Activities: Rapporteur for the International Law in Domestic Courts Journal, Board Member of the Society for European Law Students

Exchange: *Università Commerciale Luigi Bocconi*, Milan, Italy, Fall 2014

Indiana University, B.A. with academic distinction, May 2012

Majors: Political Science and International Studies with minors in German, West European Studies and Psychology

Honors: Awarded departmental honors in Political Science for the completion and successful defense of an original thesis, Spring 2012

Exchange: *Albert-Ludwigs Universität*, Freiburg, Germany, Academic Year 2010-2011

Admissions

New York | Member of the Frankfurt Rechtsanwaltskammer (§206 BRAO)

Languages

English (Native) | German (Fluent) | Spanish (Basic)