VIAC – Questionnaire for Arbitrators

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4. Current position: Senior Associate

5. Education: Juris Doctor, Law, *cum laude*, University of Georgia School of Law, 2013 Bachelor of Arts, Political Science & History, *magna cum laude*, Furman University, 2009

6. Practiced experience in arbitration

• How many arbitrations have you participated in (domestic/international); under which Rules?

40+ international arbitrations under the arbitration rules of the ICC, ICSID, SCC, SIAC, ICDR, AAA, WIPO, DIS, and ASA

- How often have you acted as Chairman?
- How often have you acted as Sole Arbitrator?
- How often have you acted as Co-Arbitrator?
- How often have you acted as Counsel?

40+ international arbitrations

• How often have you acted in a different function (e.g. Administrative Secretary)?

~3-5 international arbitrations as tribunal assistant

- 7. Publications and other activities in arbitration (e.g. training sessions, seminars, conferences, articles and others):
 - Panel Moderator at Young ICCA (International Council for Commercial Arbitration) Virtual Workshop and Practical Workshop Facilitator, 2022
 - Panel Moderator at Atlanta International Arbitration Society Annual and Plenary Meeting, 2022
 - Panel Moderator at Atlanta International Arbitration Society Virtual Conference, 2020
 - Speaker on ICC Young Arbitrators Forum / Atlanta International Arbitration Society Young Practitioners Group Panel, 2019
 - U.S. Supreme Court Strikes Down "Wholly Groundless" Exception Where Parties Have Agreed to Arbitrator Arbitrators' Jurisdiction, KING & SPALDING CLIENT ALERT, 2019
 - Expropriation Under the Foreign Sovereign Immunities Act: Raising the Jurisdictional Bar, KLUWER ARBITRATION BLOG; YOUNG ICCA BLOG, 2017
 - Not Quite Left Out to Dry: Remedies Under International Investment Treaties Available to Renewable Energy Investors Harmed by Retroactive Legislative Changes, KING & SPALDING ENERGY NEWSLETTER, 2015 (co-authored with Amy Roebuck Frey)
 - An Eleventh Circuit U-Turn: How International Arbitration Practitioners Should Now Engage § 1782 Discovery in the United States, KLUWER ARBITRATION BLOG, 2014 (co-authored with James Menz)
 - Various case analyses published between 2016 and 2022 on KLUWER ARBITRATION; THE JOURNAL OF DAMAGES IN INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION; and KING & SPALDING: QUANTUM QUARTERLY
- 8. Membership in arbitral institutions / functions in arbitral institutions/organizations:

Atlanta International Arbitration Society – Vice President and Member of the Executive Committee of the Board (January 2022 – Present)

International Chamber of Commerce Young Arbitrators Forum – Regional Representative for North America (August 2021 – Present)

9. Languages

Mother tongue: English

Working languages (i.e. languages in which you have both a spoken and written command so that you may conduct arbitral proceedings in this language):

10. In which legal systems have you trained?						
Civil Law	Х	Common Law				
Austrian Law		Hungarian Law		Swiss Law		
Czech Law		Polish Law		Ukrainian Law		
German Law		Slovakian Law		European Law		
X Other: International investment law; Georgia law (U.S.); In the context of investment treaty disputes, I frequently have addressed issues of EU law						
11. What is your main jurisdiction of practice?						
Georgia (U.S.)						
12. In which jurisdictions are you admitted to the bar?						
Georgia (U.S., 2013)						
13. Special expertise or specializations (please list a maximum of five):						
□ Antitrust/Unfair competition		Damages		Insolvency		Natural resources
□ Aviation		Distribution		Insurance		Power plants
Banking & Finance		Domain name disputes		Intellect. property (IP)		Private Intern. Law
Capital markets		Employment	Х	Investment arbitration		Public Intern. Law
	Х	Energy	Х	ISDS/Foreign inves.		Real estate
Civil fraud disputes		Engineering		Joint ventures		Shipping
Commercial disp. / transactions		Entertainment		Licensing		Sports
Commodity market	Х	Healthcare & Pharmac.		Life sciences		State/Public contracts
Company/Corporate/M&A		Hotel/Gastro./Tour.		Maritime arbitration		Technology
□ Construction		Inform. technology (IT)		Media		Telecommunication
X Contract law		Infrastructure		Mining		Transport
□ Other						

14. Date of birth: 19 November 1986

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X I have completed this questionnaire to the above to the best of my knowledge and believe they are accurate.

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