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Arbitration

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Caroline Pignatelli focuses on international commercial arbitration and commercial litigation. She has experience in a range of complex arbitration disputes (both domestic and international, commercial and investment-treaty and mass arbitrations) and commercial litigation disputes, including disputes in the energy and banking sectors (including representing lenders and official committees in chapter 11 cases and adversary proceedings), as well as disputes concerning joint ventures and long-term cooperation agreements. Caroline's practice includes challenging arbitral awards in courts in the United States under the Federal Arbitration Act. Caroline is also active in Cooley's pro bono practice.

Representative matters include:

- A venture capital firm in arbitration and litigation brought by minority shareholders related to a corporate restructuring
- A biopharmaceutical company in a licensing dispute in federal court
- A construction company in an UNCITRAL arbitration against a foreign state for breach of contract
- MASN (The Mid-Atlantic Sports Network) in the successful vacatur of an award in favor of the Washington Nationals concerning the fair market value of telecast rights fees. The award was rendered by a committee of Major League Baseball, and MLB joined the Nationals in opposing the petition to vacate. The award was unanimously upheld on appeal.
- A Fortune 500 company in an ICC arbitration brought by a joint venture partner arising out of a \$1 billion spinoff
- A Fortune 500 company in an ICC arbitration in Paris involving an outsourcing contract with over \$350 million in dispute
- A Lebanese company in an ICDR arbitration related to a supply and distribution agreement
- An Antiguan bank in an ICDR arbitration concerning a breach of contract claim

Caroline serves on the Legal Aid Society's New Leadership Board.

Education

Emory University School of Law

JD, with honors , 2007

Yale University

BA , 2002

Admissions & Credentials

New Jersey

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Memberships & Affiliations

Legal Aid Society