

## Ground-Breaking Abyei International Arbitration Hearings Web-Cast Around the World

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The firm's international arbitration group represented the Sudan People's Liberation Movement/Army (SPLM/A) in unprecedented oral hearings in the Hague's Peace Palace from April 18-23, 2009. Gary Born and a team of the firm's associates, together with the Public International Law and Policy Group, represent the SPLM/A in an international arbitration against the Government of Sudan in a dispute over the definition and delimitation of the Abyei Area.

Unprecedented in the world of international arbitration, the hearings, in their entirety, were broadcast live via webcasts on the Permanent Court of Arbitration website. These recordings, which can be viewed here, provide an opportunity to view some of the world's most highly-regarded advocates in action. To watch Gary Born (partner and chair of the firm's international arbitration group) view the 9-11 a.m. session on April 22, 2009 or the closing session on April 23, 2009. Hon. Dr. Luka Biong Deng, Minister of Presidential Affairs, Government of Southern Sudan and Co-Agent for the SPLM/A described the firm's performance as "an historic milestone" and "truly extraordinary in every way."

In addition, documents related to the arbitration, including the Arbitration Agreement and the written submissions of the parties, are available on the PCA website. For further information on our international arbitration group, please click here.