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Rachael Kent is a partner and vice chair of the International Arbitration Practice Group at WilmerHale, based in Washington, DC. She joined the firm in 1998.

Ms. Kent has more than 15 years of experience representing clients in a wide variety of commercial and investment disputes in arbitration proceedings seated in common law and civil law jurisdictions worldwide. Her experience includes ad hoc and institutional arbitrations under the rules of the ICC, LCIA, HKIAC, ICDR, WIPO, ICSID, UNCITRAL and others. She has recently represented parties in disputes in the energy, mining, aerospace, defense, pharmaceutical, construction, insurance, telecommunications, technology and retail sectors, among others.

Ms. Kent has taught International Commercial Arbitration at the Georgetown University Law Center and the Duke University School of Law. She also frequently speaks and writes on topics related to international arbitration.

Solutions

Litigation

International Arbitration

Experience

- Ms. Kent has recently represented a government in an arbitration seated in London involving disputes under a contract to provide gas processing facilities; a leading pharmaceutical company in an investment arbitration against a Latin American state; a leading technology company in an arbitration seated in New York involving disputes under a patent license agreement related to the semiconductor industry; a leading aerospace and defense technology company in a dispute under a contract to develop and supply military aircraft; a leading pharmaceutical company in an arbitration seated in Switzerland involving an intellectual property license; a leading global retail company in an arbitration seated in Hong Kong arising out of the acquisition of a subsidiary in China; a leading defense company in an arbitration seated in Brussels involving disputes under a software development agreement related to a military aircraft program; a leading mining company in an ICSID arbitration against an Asian state; a major global manufacturing company in an arbitration seated in Hong Kong involving disputes arising out of the acquisition of a computer business in Taiwan; a leading financial services company in arbitrations seated in Bermuda under excess coverage policies; and a large European telecommunications company in arbitrations seated in Vienna involving the ownership of an Eastern European joint venture company.

Recognition



***Recognized as a Leading Lawyer
for International Arbitration***

Chambers Global

2013-2018



***Among the Best Lawyers in America
for International Arbitration***

Best Lawyers in America®

2012-2020



***Named a Foremost Practitioners in
the Arbitration Community***

Who's Who Legal: Future Leaders

2017

- Ranked in the 2013–2018 editions of *Chambers Global* for her international

arbitration practice. In the 2017 edition, she is noted as "super-smart" and "knows the arbitration process backwards and forwards and makes really good strategic calls." In the 2016 edition, she is praised for "her ability to translate complex legal principles for her clients."

- Recognized as a national leader in the international arbitration field in *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers in Business*, with sources calling her "superb" and "sharp, prepared and polished."
- Selected for recognition as a leading arbitrator in the 2017–2018 editions of *Who's Who Legal: Arbitration*, including in the inaugural edition of *Who's Who Legal: Arbitration - Future Leaders 2017*—a guide profiling the foremost practitioners in the arbitration community.
- Named to the Americas Women in Business Law Awards 2012–2017 "Best in Commercial Arbitration" shortlist by *Euromoney Legal Media Group*.
- Named a leading practitioner in commercial arbitration in Expert Guides' *Guide to the World's Leading Women in Business Law*.
- Recommended in the *Euromoney Guide to the World's Leading Experts in International Arbitration* and *Global Arbitration Review's Who's Who in International Arbitration*.
- Recommended by *The Legal 500 United States* for her international arbitration practice.
- Recognized by her peers as one of the world's leading experts in commercial arbitration in Legal Media Group's *The Best of the Best*.
- Selected by peers for inclusion in the 2012–2020 editions of the *Best Lawyers in America* in the area of international arbitration.

Credentials

EDUCATION

JD, Duke University, 1998

magna cum laude

Order of the Coif

BA, Georgetown University,
1995

ADMISSIONS

District of Columbia

England and Wales, Registered
Foreign Lawyer

Maryland