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About Jadranka

A Croatian national, Jadranka Jakovcic trained in both civil law and common law jurisdictions. She joined Bracewell in July 2021 from an international law firm, where she advised States in both investment treaty and commercial arbitrations, with particular experience in cases conducted under the auspices of the International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID).

Jadranka has also practiced in Croatia, Italy and Brussels, Belgium, as part of the Legal Service of the European Commission, representing the Commission in cases before the European Court of Justice and working on preparation and codification of Commission acts.

Jadranka serves as a co-chair of the International Dispute Resolution Committee of the New York State Bar Association and is a co-chair of Young Croatian Arbitration Practitioners Association. She regularly speaks and writes on topics of international arbitration.

Publications and Speeches

"Unravelling NAFTA and Entering the USMCA Era," *The Investment Treaty Arbitration Review*, Eighth Edition, June 2023.

"Impact of International Sanctions on Foreign Direct Investment," International Investment Law and Arbitration Moot Course, Charles University in Prague, March 2023 (guest lecturer).

New York Arbitration Week – Keynote Speech: "Who is in Charge? A Myth of One Career Path," November 2022.

"NAFTA and USMCA: Continuing the Saga," *The Investment Treaty Arbitration Review*, Seventh Edition, May 2022.

"Exhaustion of Local Remedies Before Initiating Arbitral Proceedings," International Investment Law and Arbitration Moot Course, Charles University in Prague, March 2022 (guest lecturer).

Croatian Arbitration Days: "How to Handle Expert Witnesses to Fully Benefit from Their Evidence," December 2021.

DIS below 40: "Arbitration in the US," September 2021.

NYSBA Global Spotlight: "Best Practices in Arbitrator Selection in Africa," April 2021.

"Specifics of State-Owned Enterprises in Investor-State Arbitration," International Investment Law and Arbitration Moot Course, Charles University in Prague, March 2021 (guest lecturer).

New York Arbitration Week: "Resilience in Times of Crisis - A Look Beyond New York's Borders," November 2020.

"COVID-19 as a Game Changer for International Arbitration," Prague FDI Moot Roundtable, October 2020.

"Investment Arbitration Under the Energy Charter Treaty in the Wake of *Achmea v. Slovakia*," *Investment Treaty Arbitration*, Volume 13, October 2020.

"Investment Arbitration under the Energy Charter Treaty in the Wake of *Achmea v. Slovakia*: Allowed or Forbidden?" 13th Annual Investment Treaty JURIS Conference, April 2019.

"Efficiency and Costs in International Arbitration - Report on Young ICCA Skills Training Workshop in Zagreb on 7 December 2018," Young ICCA Blog, January 2019 (co-author)

"Women of the Mother Court," The Federal Lawyer, August 2018.

"Mediation Systems Worldwide — A Comparative Perspective," New York City Bar Association, ADR Committee, May 2017.

Education

Fordham University School of Law, LL.M. 2016 – *cum laude*

Faculty of Law of the University of Zagreb, Master of Laws in European Law 2013

Certifications

Certificate of Advanced Study and Training in Dispute Resolution, Humboldt University of Berlin

Noteworthy

BL Rankings, Best Lawyers, Ones to Watch, Alternative Dispute Resolution, 2024

New York State Supreme Court, Commercial Division, Judicial Trainee

Fordham University School of Law, John D. Feerick Award and Archibald R. Murray Public Service Award

Affiliations

Young Croatian Arbitration Practitioners (YCAP) Association, Co-Chair

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New York State Bar Association, Co-Chair of the International Dispute Resolution Committee and Member of the Executive Committee of the Dispute Resolution Section

New York City Bar Association

Association of Croatian American Professionals

Young ICCA

Arbitrator Intelligence, Executive Board Member and Ambassador

Bar Admissions

New York

Languages

Croatian Italian

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