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General Information

An experienced barrister with a PhD in English Marine and Islamic Insurance Law, Dr Mehedi Ibne Rahim is one of the few global experts in the emerging market of Islamic Insurance.

Insurance has always been at the heart of Mehedi's legal career. Through his Masters and PhD he specialised in the niche area of Takaful and Marine Law. Mehedi has written and delivered papers at conferences around the world including the Malaysia-Indonesia International Conference on Economic, Management and Accounting.

Areas of law

- Insurance Law
- Marine Law
- Contract Law
- Arbitration

Insurance Law

With many years of experience in insurance law, Mehedi specialises in Islamic insurance and marine insurance. He assists UK commercial companies in resolving insurance disputes and works with global financial organisations to create specific Islamic insurance-related products. As an expert in the developing area of Takaful, Mehedi can also help Islamic insurance companies establish a footing in the UK under Lloyds of London.

Marine Law

With experience from the third largest marine broker in the world, Mehedi has advised shipping clients in the key areas of:

- Cargo claims
- Charterparty claims
- Collision claims
- Demurrage claims
- Hostage situations
- Kidnap and ransom
- Piers and harbour claims
- Piracy
- Tug and tow
- Use of armed guards
- War and sanction-related work

Mehedi has acted on contentious cases for clients with vessels across the globe including the Arabian sea, Indian sea, Red sea, Gulf of Aden, Persian Gulf and Bay of Bengal. In non-contentious work, clients value the quantity of litigation work he has completed, which gives him the foresight to help them put the right cover and legal structures in place to avoid future problems. Mehedi has also developed a new insurance model for marine cargo which is both Islamic Law and English Law compliant.

Contract Law

An experienced litigator and advocate, Mehedi delivers oral and written advocacy including multi-track cases from pre-action right

through to trial. He acts in a wide range of contractual disputes including high quantum & fraud cases. Mehedi can attend Applications, make written submissions, draft witness statements and prepare court proceedings, as well as complete other case requirements.

Arbitration

As a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitration, Mehedi arbitrates on high-value cases in the UK and internationally. He accepts instructions from shipping companies and solicitors, as well as international trading companies and insurance brokers.

Cases have included:

- A collision in the South China sea which led to a £10 million dispute between an English and Spanish company
- A £20-25 million case involving a semi-submersible vessel off the coast of Australia

Mehedi works with commercial companies including shipping clients to provide proactive legal advice to ensure that they are suitably protected, should future problems arise. His significant experience in litigation means he is well positioned to anticipate possible scenarios and ensure clients have the right legal support in place.

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