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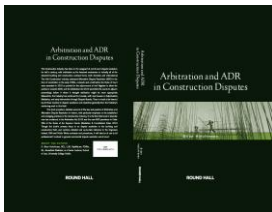
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New Book Published, Dec 2010 : *Arbitration and ADR in Construction Disputes*



Review and Purchase online from Roundhall.ie

View interview with G Brian Hutchinson on RTE Television, Ireland, *Prime Time*, 26 September 2010:

GBH Dispute Resolution Consultancy is the consultancy practice of G Brian Hutchinson, BCL, LLM, DAL, FCI Arb, BL - Law Lecturer, Arbitrator, Accredited Mediator, ADR Consultant, and Barrister at Law.

Through GBH Dispute Resolution Consultancy, Brian provides arbitration, mediation and ADR services, consultancy, and specialist training to businesses, public bodies, and professionals. Acting as Arbitrator or Mediator, and advising sitting arbitrators, mediators and conciliators on arbitration and ADR law and practice are specialisms. In addition to this specialist knowledge and expertise of Arbitration Law and Procedure (including drafting and construction of reasoned awards) and ADR Law and Procedure, Brian brings in-depth knowledge of Contract Law, Commercial and Company Law, both domestic and international, and an excellent grasp of business, technical, engineering and IT matters.

GBH Dispute Resolution Consultancy is based in Dublin, Ireland, and has international reach.

Recent work includes:

- Mediator in an international commercial property dispute, amount of claim exceeding €13m.
- Assistant to Mediator in dispute involving a major roads construction project, amount of claim exceeding €14m.
- Assistant to Arbitrator in a dispute involving a major roads construction project, amount of claim exceeding €50m.



- Advisor to Arbitrator in a major national facility construction dispute, amount of claim in excess of €1.2m.
- Advisor to Arbitrator in a building dispute, amount of claim exceeding €1m.
- Advisor to Independent Expert in a rent review valuation of a foreshore lease.
- Provided Legal Opinion to party on arbitration of a major national facility construction dispute.
- Legal advisor to party in arbitration of a building dispute, claim exceeding €800,000.
- Independent Legal Advisor to a Local Authority in a Risk Assessment of an arbitration following a conciliation concerning a major drainage dispute.
- Advisor to Arbitrator in a public building dispute, circa €1m in dispute.
- Advisor to conciliator in a construction dispute involving a major national structure, claim in excess of €3m.
- Advisor to Arbitrator in a major drainage contract dispute, claim exceeding €4m.
- Expert Witness on Irish Company Law in UK litigation, claim in excess of STG£1m.
- Advisor to arbitrator in a building defects dispute, claim exceeding €1m.

Profile of G Brian Hutchinson

Qualifications

BCL (National University of Ireland)
LLM (National University of Ireland)
DipArbLaw (Dublin Institute of Technology)
Barrister at Law (King's Inns)
Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (FCI Arb)
Accredited Mediator (ADR Group/FriaryLaw)

Memberships

Chartered Institute of Arbitrators
Association Suisse de l'Arbitrage
London Court of International Arbitration
European Court of Arbitrators
Arbitration Ireland
Irish Commercial Mediators Association
Society of Legal Scholars
European Association of Banking and Financial Services Law

Biography

G Brian Hutchinson is principal of [GBH Dispute Resolution Consultancy](#) which provides arbitration, mediation and ADR services, consultancy, and training.

A qualified arbitrator and mediator, he has served as Arbitrator, as arbitrator's Legal Advisor, as party Legal Consultant and as Mediator in a number of

domestic and international arbitrations and conciliations with total amounts in dispute in excess of €50,000,000; and he has served as expert witness in multi-million pound UK litigation.

In addition, Brian has provided training and consultancy to a variety of business and public bodies - past projects include the provision of training for Inquiry Members from the Office of the Irish Financial Regulator, and sitting as Legal Expert and Editor for the European Standards Committee's project on the Standardisation of On-Line Dispute Resolution tools ([CEN/ISSS - WS/Stand-ODR](#)). In 2008 he advised the Irish Attorney General on aspects of the Irish Arbitration Bill, 2008 which now, as the [Arbitration Act 2010](#), governs domestic and international arbitration in the Republic of Ireland. He has also been consulted by the Law Reform Commission of Ireland, the Irish National Consumer Agency, and the EU Commission, DG SANCO, with regard to the development and use of ADR in Ireland and Europe.

An advocate for appropriate alternative dispute resolution, Brian has lectured and advised extensively on Arbitration and ADR to professional bodies and associations, including the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, The Royal Institute of Architects in Ireland, Engineers Ireland, the Society of Chartered Surveyors, the Chief State Solicitor's Office, and the European Institute of Public Affairs, Luxembourg, and he is a regular speaker at the Academy of European Law (ERA) in Triers, Germany, on matters relating to Mediation and ADR, with special interest in cross border consumer disputes.

Brian is Senior Lecturer in the [School of Law, University College Dublin, Ireland](#), where he has been a member of staff since 1991, and Vice Dean of the Law School from 1996 to 2007. A specialist in the fields of Commercial Law and Alternative Dispute Resolution, he has researched, written and lectured extensively on Arbitration and ADR, Company Law, Commercial Law, Contract Law and Agency, and Information Technology. He is Editor of the Commercial Law Practitioner Law Journal (ISSN 0791-895X) and is former Editor of Irish Business Law Journal (ISSN 1393-6220). He is a member of the Editorial Board of the [Irish Jurist](#) law journal.

In 2001 he became Project leader of the pilot phase of the ECODIR (Electronic Consumer Dispute Resolution) project (www.ecodir.org) (DG Sanco n° B5-1000/00/000112) which, begun in the University of Namur, Belgium and the University of Montreal, Canada, pioneered the development of online dispute resolution in Europe. He continues to steward the ECODIR service and is a director of the Irish Registered Company ECODIR Ltd.

He was also co-founder and company secretary of Arbitration of International Disputes Ltd, an Irish company owned and formed by the Bar Council, Law Society, Institute of Chartered Accountants in Ireland, Business and Employers Confederation, and Institute of Arbitrators (Irish Branch) to explore the use of online arbitration in Ireland).

He was also Chair of the "CCForm" EU IST Thematic Network (IST-2001-34908) Topic Panel 5 – «CCForm and ADR», and he has acted as consultant to Irish Government Department of Enterprise Trade and Employment, e-business unit; and the Law Reform Commission of Ireland.

From 1998-2004 Brian was Committee Member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (Irish Branch).

He is an invited founder Member of the United Nations Expert Group on Online

Dispute Resolution established in 2002.

He is an invited founder member and current Secretary General of the Irish Delegation of the European Court of Arbitration.

He is also Member of the London Court of International Arbitration, the Society for Computers and Law, the Society of Legal Scholars, and the Association Suisse de l'Arbitrage.

Brian has been visiting lecturer variously at the University of Hannover, Germany (1993-1998), Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, USA (1998), De Paul University, Chicago, USA (1999 & 2006), and Stetson University, Florida, USA (2000), and he has also lectured at Boston University, Boston, USA (1995 & 1996). He also teaches annually on the Duquesne University Summer Programme Ireland, and the Fordham University School of Law Summer Programme. In 2007 he was Visiting Fellow at the Faculty of Law at the University of Geneva, Switzerland.

Brian is Acting Director of the [UCD Commercial Law Centre](#) at University College Dublin, where he served continuously as Assistant Dean, Associate Dean, and Vice Dean of the Faculty/School of Law from 1996 to 1997, and more recently also as Programme Director for the Bachelor of Civil Law Degree Programme, as well as, for many years, Chair of the Faculty Computer Policy Committee and a number of other Faculty/School committees. He is Founder and Programme Director of the Diploma in Arbitration, which has been running since 1997 and which is accredited by the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators. He is a director of the Diploma in International Financial Services Law in the school which is run under the Law Society FINUAS network and which is supported by the Irish Government under the National Development Plan. He was, in addition, for many years the Senior Treasurer of the UCD Law Students Debating Society, and is a member of the UCD Student's Union Independent Appeals Board. He has also served as assessor for the IRCHSS on the Government of Ireland Scholarships panel, and as a member of the UCD QA/QI panel. He was also external examiner for a number of subjects at the School of Law at the University of Limerick, and is currently external examiner for legal subjects at the Cork Institute of Technology.

Selected Publications

Books

Hutchinson, G Brian: *Arbitration and ADR in Construction Disputes* (Thomson Reuters Roundhall, 2010) (ISBN 978 1 85800 617 8)

Hutchinson, G Brian (consultant ed.): *Consolidated Company Legislation* (Thomson Round Hall, 2003) (ISBN 1 85800 369 5)

Hutchinson, G Brian (consultant ed.): *Consolidated Commercial Legislation* (Thomson Round Hall, 2004) (ISBN 1 85800 393 8)

Hutchinson, G Brian : *Part VIII – Dispute Resolution* in Keane, David and Hussey, Anthony (editors) *Construction Projects – Law and Practice* (Thomson Round Hall, 2007) (ISBN 978-1-85800-473-0),

Courtney, Thomas B, assisted by and with contribution from Hutchinson, G Brian: *The Law of Private Companies* (Butterworths, 2ed 2002), Chapters 4, 5, 13, 14, 15, & 28 (ISBN 1 85475 2650)

Selected Articles

Hutchinson, G Brian: 'The New Irish Arbitration Act' (2010) *International Arbitration Law Review* 13 (2)

Hutchinson, G Brian 'The Latest Changes in the Arbitration Bill 2008 - Placing Arbitration in the Mainstream of Civil Litigation Procedure' (2010) *Arbitration and ADR Review* 1 (1):32-39.

Hutchinson, "The Principal Features of the Companies (Auditing and Accounting) Act, 2003" (2004) 17(3) *Irish Tax Review* 212-218.

Hutchinson, 'Taking Security over Cash Deposits: The House of Lords Confirms the Conceptual Possibility of Charge-Backs' (1998) 5 *Commercial Law Practitioner* 3-9.

Hutchinson, 'Criminal Liability of Directors, Managers and Other Similar Officers under the Competition (Amendment) Act, 1996' (1997) 4 *Commercial Law Practitioner* 47-54.

Hutchinson, 'Charge-backs, Set-off and Flawed Assets: Taking Security over Self-Held Cash Deposits' (1996) 3 *Commercial Law Practitioner* 55-66.

Hutchinson, 'Staying Litigation Pending Arbitration' (1994) 1 *Commercial Law Practitioner* 133-140.

Reports

G Brian Hutchinson, Arno Lodder, Vincent Tilman, Jacques Guimenou, Andrea Borri, Giovanni Mazzini (2009) *CEN Workshop Agreement on the Standardization of Online Dispute Resolution Tools*. CEN - European Committee for Standardization, Brussels, Belgium.

Consultation Paper on Corporate Killing, Law Reform Commission of Ireland, October 2003 (LRC CP 26 – 2003)

Consultation Paper on Sentencing Policy, Law Reform Commission of Ireland, March, 1993

Recent Shorter Articles, Newspaper and Journal Contributions

"New Directions in the Law on Arbitration Agreements: Fiona Trust v. Yuri Privalov" 25 *Arbitration News* 4

"Some Thoughts on the Arbitrator's Discretion as to Costs" 23 *Arbitration News* 6

"Boosting Online Consumer Confidence" *Business Ireland*, October 2003, p8.

"Obligations and Entitlements of Auctioneers and Estate Agents" *The Property Professional*, Winter 2003, pp14-16 and Spring 2004 pp.

Research

Arbitration and Alternative Dispute Resolution
Online Dispute Resolution
Company and Commercial Law
IT Law

Current doctoral supervision includes a review of Interim Measures in International Arbitration; the Adequacy of Independent Legal Advice associated with giving Personal Guarantees; the Perfection of Security Interests in Real and Personal Property, funded by the IRCHSS under the Government of Ireland Scholars Programme. Previous supervision has covered research on Commercial Agents; Online Dispute Resolution; and a variety of commercial law topics.

Teaching

Company Law I and II (Bachelor of Civil Law and Bachelor of Business and Law programmes)
Commercial Arbitration (LLM Commercial Law programme)
Law of Credit and Security (LLM Commercial Law programme)
Arbitration Law and Procedure, and Award Writing (Diploma in Arbitration Programme)
Alternative Dispute Resolution (Bachelor of Civil Law programmes)

Languges

English (native)

French

Nationality

Irish

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