

## VIAC – Questionnaire for Arbitrators

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**4. Current position:**

CEO at DSD2B

Partner at Backsmann & Beyrodt

**5. Education:**

Continuous learning and specialization by giving and attending lectures in both Mediation and Arbitration in Brazil.

Sept. 2018 Dispute Board Training, CAM CCBC

Dec. 2016 London School of Mediation/ Chartered Institute of Arbitration, London, England, Certified Mediator

August 2016 Accelerated Route to International Arbitration, Chartered Institute of Arbitration, London, England

Nov. 2014 Admitted as Brazilian Lawyer (Advogada) at the Brazilian Bar Association (OAB)

March 2011 Admitted as Solicitor at the Senior Courts in England and Wales

2005 Institut für Internationale Kommunikation at Heinrich Heine Universität, Düsseldorf: Attended and passed three intensive language courses "German as Foreign Language"

2000 – 2001 LL.M degree from Duke University School of Law, Durham, North Carolina, U.S.A.

1995 – 1997 University of Chile Law School, Santiago, Chile. Master Studies

August 1990 The Chilean Supreme Court, admitted as a Chilean Lawyer (Abogada)

1984 – 1988 University of Chile Law School, Santiago, Chile. LL.B (J.D. equivalent)

**6. Practiced experience in arbitration**

- How many arbitrations have you participated in (domestic/international); under which Rules?

As an in house counsel, I have accompanied two arbitrations, one under the ICC rules and the other under the LCIA rules.

- How often have you acted as Chairman? None
- How often have you acted as Sole Arbitrator? None
- How often have you acted as Co-Arbitrator? None
- How often have you acted as Counsel? None
- How often have you acted in a different function (e.g. Administrative Secretary)? None

**7. Publications and other activities in arbitration (e.g. training sessions, seminars, conferences, articles and others):**

As a Commercial Law Professor (University of Chile Law School), I have both taught and organized seminars in International Arbitration.

I have lectured several times about Arbitration and Dispute System Design (DSD) in Chile, Germany and Brazil.

I am active in the Brazilian Arbitration Community and I am listed in the Arbitration Chamber of the Brazilian Engineers' Institute.

**8. Membership in arbitral institutions / functions in arbitral institutions/organizations:**

- CAM CCBC, Brazil – listed as a commercial mediator
- Cbar, Brazil
- Câmara de Arbitragem do Instituto de Engenheiros, Brazil
- Ciarb, London

**9. Languages**

**Mother tongue:** Spanish

**Working languages (i.e. languages in which you have both a spoken and written command so that you may conduct arbitral proceedings in this language):** English, German and Portuguese.

### In which legal systems have you trained?

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Civil Law | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Common Law                  |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Austrian Law         | <input type="checkbox"/> Hungarian Law                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Swiss Law     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Czech Law            | <input type="checkbox"/> Polish Law                             | <input type="checkbox"/> Ukrainian Law |
| <input type="checkbox"/> German Law           | <input type="checkbox"/> Slovakian Law <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> European Law  |

Other \_\_\_\_\_

**10. What is your main jurisdiction of practice?** Brazil and Chile

**11. In which jurisdictions are you admitted to the bar?** Chile, England and Wales and Brazil

### 12. Special expertise or specializations (please list a maximum of five):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Antitrust/Unfair competition               | <input type="checkbox"/> Damages                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Insolvency            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Power plants                |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aviation                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Distribution            | <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance             | <input type="checkbox"/> Private Intern. Law                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Banking & Finance                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Domain name disputes    | <input type="checkbox"/>                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Intellect. property (IP)               |
| <input type="checkbox"/>  | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Intern. Law      |  |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Capital markets                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Employment              | <input type="checkbox"/> ISDS/ Foreign invest. | <input type="checkbox"/> Real estate                            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CISG                                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Energy                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Joint ventures        | <input type="checkbox"/> Shipping                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Civil fraud disputes                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering             | <input type="checkbox"/> Licensing             | <input type="checkbox"/> Sports                                 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commercial disp. / transactions | <input type="checkbox"/>                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment         | <input type="checkbox"/> Life sciences <input type="checkbox"/> |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Commodity market                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Healthcare & Pharmac.   | <input type="checkbox"/>                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Maritime arbitration                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/>  | <input type="checkbox"/> Technology              |  |   |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Construction                               | <input type="checkbox"/> Inform. technology (IT) | <input type="checkbox"/>                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Mining <input type="checkbox"/>        |
| <input type="checkbox"/>  | <input type="checkbox"/> Transport               |  |   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Contract law                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure          | <input type="checkbox"/> Natural resources     |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____                                |  |  |   |

**13. Date of birth:** July 16, 1965

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I have completed this questionnaire to the above to the best of my knowledge and believe they are accurate.

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July 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
Date

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Signature