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Karim J. Nassif has more than 20 years' experience in arbitration, mediation, civil law, contract law, commercial and corporate law, banking and finance, real estate and construction law.

He has acted as counsel, mediator, adjudicator and arbitrator in many complex disputes under the most leading international and regional arbitration rules, including the rules of the ICC, LCIA, DIFC-LCIA, DIAC, CRCICCA, AAA-ICDR, GCC, UNCITRAL, IICRA and ADCCAC; in various cases seated in the UK, France, USA, Switzerland and throughout the Middle East; and governed by a variety of national laws (Lebanon, UAE – including DIFC, KSA, France, England and Wales, Egypt, Qatar, Bahrain, Oman, Libya, Kuwait, Syria, New York, OHADA ...) or sharia law.

Karim has authored and co-authored several publications in English, French and Arabic and he has frequently been a speaker in international conferences and seminars on international arbitration, civil code, mediation, commercial contracts, property, family structuring and legislative reform matters; including ICC, LCIA, IBA, DIAC, Arab Forum, CRCICCA, DIFC Academy of Law, Paris Bar, Society of Construction Law, Global Arbitration Review etc .. events.

Karim pleads in English, French and Arabic. He is the current Vice-Chair of the ICC Commission on Arbitration and ADR and the Senior Vice Chair of the International Bar Association Arab Forum

After obtaining an LLB and LLM (Hons) in Business Law and a Diploma in Law and IT from the University of Montpellier, Karim served as a lecturer in civil and commercial law. He is admitted to the Beirut Bar and was licensed as a legal consultant in Dubai. Before creating Nassif Arbitration, Karim served as a Partner in leading European and Emirati law firms where he headed for many years and subsequently the departments of international arbitration, real-estate and construction, and corporate commercial; he was as well counsel to one of the leading shipping liners in the world and a lawyer in a leading law-firm in Beirut.

Karim has been cited in the 2023, 2022, 2021 and 2020 GAR – Who's Who Legal as Global Leader in Arbitration and for the years 2017, 2018 and 2019 as Future Leader in Arbitration; by Legal 500 in 2011, 2012 and 2013 as '*Leading Individual in Dispute Resolution*'; included in Chambers Global's Most in Demand Arbitrators for the UAE, in 2021 and 2022; and was awarded the Platinum Award for Sole Arbitrator – Dubai Awards by DIAC.