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Profile

Zoe advises on a broad range of corporate and commercial disputes and has particular experience in complex construction disputes and arbitration.

Zoe returned to Gilbert Walker in 2020 after spending seven years practising international arbitration at Shearman & Sterling LLP in Singapore, Paris and London. She has represented multi-national firms in major commercial and investment treaty arbitrations conducted under the ICC, SIAC and ICSID rules in the construction, energy and infrastructure sectors. Zoe has also represented directors and other professionals in civil and regulatory proceedings.

Zoe was among the top three graduates in her law school class, being awarded a Senior Scholarship in Law from the University of Auckland in 2010.

She is a member of the Young International Arbitration Group, the Society of Construction Law and the Auckland Women's Law Association.

Credentials

- LLB (Hons) / BA (Auckland)
- Admitted in New Zealand (2010) and England & Wales (2017)

Recent Experience

- Representing two international construction contractors in an ICC arbitration in London concerning the construction of a major healthcare facility
- Representing a nuclear power plant supplier in an ICC arbitration in Stockholm concerning the construction of a nuclear power facility
- Representing foreign investors in an ICSID arbitration concerning a railway and road infrastructure project
- Representing foreign investors against a State in a dispute concerning a mining business
- Representing a construction business in an ICC arbitration in Doha concerning a gas supply agreement



- Representing a listed company in a SIAC arbitration in Singapore in a dispute arising from a share purchase agreement
- Representing a major Australasian bank in a claim brought by commercial customers for breach of contract, misrepresentation and negligence
- Representing the directors of Feltex Carpets in a claim by the company's liquidators for breach of directors' duties
- Representing the directors of several finance companies in regulatory proceedings

