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Areas of Practice

- Arbitration and DIFC Courts
- Civil, Commercial Litigation, and Negotiated Settlements.
- Maritime Disputes.

Education

- Currently Enrolled in the Solicitor Qualifying Exams of England and Wales.
- Master of Laws (LLM) in International Trade - Ain Shams University. (2021).
- L.L.B., Faculty of Law – English Department – Cairo University (2019).
- Admitted Advocate of the Courts of Egypt.

Languages

- English
- Arabic

Summary Profile

Ziad is a Senior Associate in the Arbitration and International Litigation Department at M&CO Legal, where he plays an integral role in the firm’s dispute resolution practice. He initially joined the firm’s Litigation Department in late 2022 and has since supported both the Litigation and Arbitration teams in managing domestic and international commercial disputes. His arbitration experience includes proceedings conducted under the rules of DIAC, ICC, and UNCITRAL, among others.

Ziad has advised and represented clients across a broad spectrum of contentious matters, including disputes related to construction, real estate, insurance, commercial agency, maritime, employment, tenancy, shareholder issues, and general commercial conflicts. He also regularly serves as a Tribunal Secretary in arbitration proceedings administered by DIAC, ICC, and CRCICA.

In addition to his expertise in international litigation and alternative dispute resolution—particularly in arbitration—Ziad handle domestic litigation across all UAE courts, including the Ruler’s Court and the Rental Dispute Centers. His practice spans a wide range of matters, including civil, commercial, employment, tenancy, construction, maritime, and banking disputes. He also advises on the recognition and enforcement of foreign arbitral awards, ratification of domestic arbitral awards, and interim measures related to arbitration proceedings before UAE courts.

Before joining M&CO Legal, Ziad worked at top-tier law firms in Egypt, where he gained substantial experience in legal research, advisory, and negotiated settlements. This international exposure helped him build a strong foundation in cross-border legal matters.

Ziad holds a Master of Laws (LL.M.) in International Trade from Ain Shams University, which he earned through Postgraduate Diplomas in Private Law and International Trade in 2021. His academic background and diverse legal experience equip him to navigate complex legal challenges in both domestic and international contexts.

Focus Area

Ziad is a legal professional with extensive expertise in handling complex civil and commercial disputes across multiple jurisdictions, including the UAE local courts as well as the DIFC and ADGM Courts. His practice spans a broad spectrum of high-stakes matters involving banking and finance, construction and infrastructure projects, and maritime disputes.

With a deep understanding of both local and international legal frameworks, Ziad offers comprehensive legal advisory services tailored to the unique needs of clients operating in dynamic and often challenging business environments. He regularly advises financial institutions, multinational corporations, contractors, and shipping companies on contentious and non-contentious matters.

In addition to his litigation and arbitration practice, Ziad is frequently engaged to contribute to complex legal opinions, where his analytical acumen and strategic insights are instrumental in shaping outcomes.

Publications

1. Special Judicial Committee for Incomplete and Cancelled Real Estate Projects in Dubai and its relation to Arbitration disputes. – M&Co Legal.
2. The Legal Framework of Global Shipping: Maritime Law and Its Future in a Technological World. – M&Co Legal.