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Construction and engineering

Patrick Heneghan is a senior construction and engineering disputes specialist with extensive experience in high-value, complex litigation and arbitration. He is widely recognised for his expertise in handling professional negligence claims, large-scale infrastructure disputes, and cross-border arbitration, with particular focus on matters before the Technology and Construction Court (TCC).

Patrick sits on the **TCC Users Committee**, reflecting his standing within the specialist forum for construction disputes in England and Wales. He is also highly experienced in proceedings under the leading standard form contract suites (including **JCT**, **NEC** and **FIDIC**) and regularly advises on disputes arising under professional appointments (such as **RIBA PSC**, **ACE PSA** and **RICS SFCA**).

He has acted in numerous international arbitrations under all the major institutional rules (including **LCIA**, **ICC** and **ad hoc arbitrations**), and across a variety of seats, with a strong track record of advising clients in the energy, power, infrastructure, and real estate sectors. His arbitration practice covers both claimant and respondent side mandates, often involving multi-jurisdictional issues, delay and disruption claims, liquidated damages, and force majeure.

Patrick also has significant experience in UK statutory adjudication under the **Housing Grants, Construction and Regeneration Act 1996**, both representing parties and accepting appointments as adjudicator, and regularly advises on the enforcement of adjudication awards.

Recent and ongoing cases :

- Acting for a housing association in a major arbitration under the **JCT Arbitration Rules** concerning defective cladding and fire safety issues, involving multi-million pound claims against its design and build contractor.
- Representing the UK arm of a multinational contractor in an adjudication brought by a Championship football club concerning professional negligence and compliance with the **Green Guide**, with claims for lost ticket revenue and consequential losses.
- Advising a leading UK architectural practice in three adjudications against a public authority regarding one of London's largest social housing refurbishment projects.
- Acting in an **LCIA arbitration** for a major UK housing association against a private developer concerning a £120m joint venture housing project.
- Representing the owner of a **1.2 GW gas-fired power station**, one of Europe's largest non-recourse financed projects, in ad hoc arbitration proceedings in London concerning liquidated damages for delay.
- Acting in **ICC arbitrations** seated in Paris, Stockholm, and Singapore for global clients across the energy, infrastructure, and transport sectors, including disputes relating to turbines, off-take agreements, and congestion charging systems.
- Representing a leading Indian developer in a series of connected **LCIA arbitrations** relating to a high-profile slum

rehabilitation project in Mumbai, including force majeure disputes.

Patrick is trusted by developers, contractors, consultants, and public authorities to resolve their most complex disputes, whether through TCC proceedings, adjudication, or international arbitration. His combination of deep sector knowledge, arbitration expertise, and TCC experience positions him as a go-to lawyer for contentious construction matters at both domestic and international level.

Recommendations

Mr. Heneghan has been identified as a “rising star” in the Guide to the World’s Leading Experts in Commercial Arbitration (2013) and as “up and coming” in Chambers UK (2015). He is also recommended in both The Legal 500, where he is praised by clients for “achieving results” (2012) and providing “technically sound advice” (2013), and Chambers UK, in which he is described as “superb” (2013) and a “quality individual” (2015).

His work was recently recognised in the Financial Times’ “Innovative Lawyers 2014” report where one of his matters was “Highly Commended” in the Disputes Resolution field. He is also acknowledged by The American Lawyer as having participated in one of the highest-value international arbitrations of recent years.

Academic qualifications

- Inns of Court School of Law, Bar Finals. Middle Temple, Major Scholar
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- M.A., Downing College, Cambridge
- B.C.L., Brasenose College, Oxford

Professional qualifications & appointments

- Called 1997, Middle Temple

Professional bodies

- Member of the London Court of International Arbitration
- Member of the British Institute of International and Comparative Law
- Member of Technology and Construction Bar Association (TECBAR)
- Member of The Society of Construction Law
- Member of the Honourable Society of the Middle Temple