

# John Miles

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## **Personal Summary**

John has experience advising both governments and the private sector in relation to Energy and Natural Resources, Fraud and Dispute resolution generally. He has represented a number of governments including Brunei, Tanzania, Nigeria, Ethiopia, Egypt, Sudan and Uganda and State corporations from India and China in both arbitration and litigation. He has acted as a Commercial arbitrator and as an Expert under expert determination provisions. He has trained government officials from Somalia and Ethiopia in capacity building programmes and worked for the World Bank, making a diagnostic review of Lesothan legal systems.

He ran the Denton Hall offices in Bejing (1989-98) and Cairo (1998-2001) and was a director of the ASX listed gold mining company Artemis Resources between 2006 and 2010.

In the context of arbitration he has appeared, as a lawyer, before Tribunals of the ICC in London and Paris, Tribunals of LMAA, LCIA, FOSFA and ad hoc in London and Tribunals in Stockholm, Dares Salaam, Zurich and Geneva. He has appeared as a witness of fact before a Tribunal in Oslo and as an expert witness before a Tribunal in Rotterdam and a court in Rome.

### **Qualifications**

CEDR Mediator	1985
Solicitor of the Supreme Court of England and Wales	1982
History Master of Arts University of Cambridge	1976



#### Experience:

- Acting for the Government of Tanzania in the Dar Tadine Tanzania ICC case concerning the nation's gold concession areas +
- Acting for the Allseas Group in the Sembawang Shipyards ("the Solitaire") LMMA case concerning ship construction
- Acting for Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation in the period 1998-2006 in a number of contract disputes concerning Petroleum +
- Acting for Government of Sudan in relation to investment disputes
- Advising North African government in relation to investment disputes concerning a regional airport
- Acting for African and European Investors in a railway privatization and construction dispute
- Advising UAE interests in relation to hydrocarbon and mineral concessions in the Horn of Africa
- Acting for Dowans Holdings SA in an Independent Power Project dispute in Tanzania +
- Advising East African Government on corporate investigation and asset recovery \*
- Advising Chinese corporation in relation to theft of its IP assets in Africa and elsewhere
- Advising Ethiopian ministry of Energy on issues relating to the River Nile and GERD
- Advising East African Corporation on the construction of a thermal power station and disputes arising in relation to it
- Advising Mozambique investors on mineral concessions in Guinea Conakry +
- Advising international investors on projects in South Sudan
- Advising Canadian interests in relation to disputes concerning geothermal licenses in east Africa +
- Advising East African Capital Markets Authority in relation to soft commodities \*
- \* Fraud
- + Energy and Natural Resources



#### **Positions Held**

Board director of the African Commercial Law Foundation, England	2015 to date
Board member of the Lagos International Arbitration Centre, Nigeria	2015 to date
Member of the Strathmore University Extractive Industries Committee,	2014 to date
Kenya	
East African member of the ICC Fraudnet Group	2014 to date
Chairman of the Indian National Bar association, East Africa	2014 to date
Founder and Director J Miles and co, Nairobi	2012 to date
Director, Artemis Resources Limited, Perth, Australia	2006 - 2011
Chairman, Africa Legal Network, Mauritius,	2006 - 2013
Consultant to Anjarwalla & Khanna, Nairobi	2006 - 2014
Partner, Hunton and Williams, London	2002 - 2006
Partner, Mayer Brown, London	2001 - 2002
Associate and Partner, Denton Wilde Sapte, London	1985 - 2001
Associate lawyer, Hill Dickinson	1982 - 1985
Trainee lawyer, Hill Dickinson	1979 - 1981
Associate in Shipping division of the Hill Samuel Banking and Insurance	1976 - 1978
Group	

#### **Other Achievements**

#### **Publications**

- Gunther J. Horvath and Stephan Wilske. *Guerilla Tactics in International Arbitration* (Walters Kluwer 2014)
- Miles, J., Fagbohunlu, T. and Shah, K. Arbitration in Africa: A Review of Key Jurisdictions (Sweet & Maxwell 2016)

## **Speaking Engagements**

He has recently lectured in China, Sudan (Khartoum), Uganda, Ethiopia, Tanzania, Kenya, South Africa and Nigeria principally on energy and natural resources AND international dispute resolution.