



Sir Antony Edwards-Stuart



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Sir Antony Edwards-Stuart is currently appointed as either chairman or co-arbitrator in several international arbitrations.

As a QC, he acted as leading counsel in several very substantial construction arbitrations. His last appointment as counsel in a major construction case was before a Dispute Adjudication Board in relation to the Dublin Port Tunnel, leading a large team of solicitors, counsel, experts and members of an Anglo/Irish/Japanese consortium for some three years.

Before that he acted for a well-known contractor in a £80 million claim against a government department, leading two junior counsel. The claim was unusual, since it comprised over 600 separate claims within the principal claim.

In addition, he acted also for a contractor in a very substantial claim against London Underground in respect of the new Jubilee Line Extension (this settled after several preliminary hearings but before the first main hearing), and for a respondent contractor in a dispute with a sub-contractor about electrical works at several London main line stations.

He began to accept appointments as an arbitrator in 2005.

Arbitration appointments accepted prior to his appointment as a High Court Judge included the following:

- Insurance claim (several million dollars) arising out of damage caused by an earthquake to a port in Gujarat, India. (May 2005). Member of panel of three arbitrators (Ian Hunter QC, chairman, Dominic Kendrick QC). Appointed by Economic Laws Practice, Mumbai. Reference was contested through to award in April 2007.
- Multi-million dollar claim by owner of power plant in Spain for loss and delay arising out of construction of intake and outfall sea tunnels. (August 2007). Member of panel of three arbitrators (John Blackburn QC, chairman, Kenneth Rokison QC). Appointed by Lovells/Pinsent-Masons. Reference was contested until settlement in June 2009, the week before commencement of the final hearing.
- Substantial claim by occupiers of substantial office building in Canary Wharf in respect of defects to the heating and ventilation pipework throughout the building. (December 2007). Sole arbitrator. Appointed jointly by Allen & Overy and Ashurst. Gave directions, including directions for preliminary

issues, but reference settled after about 12 months.

Arbitration appointments accepted since to his retirement as a High Court Judge in November 2016 include the following:

- Gas fired cogeneration plant in Middle East (ICC). Party appointed arbitrator (with John Marrin QC, John Blackburn QC). Settled after 12 months.
- Refurbishment in US of VVIP jet belonging to ruler of Gulf state. Party appointed arbitrator (Sir Robert Akenhead, Sir Jeremy Cooke). Settled after about 18 months.
- Motorway intersection project in Gulf state (ICC). President of Tribunal (Richard Wilmot-Smith QC, Richard Harding QC). Taken through to Award.
- Motorway project in Eastern Europe (ICC). President of Tribunal (Richard Fernyhough QC, Duncan Matthews QC). Taken through to Final Award (Eight Partial Awards).
- Shipbuilding dispute in China. Party appointed arbitrator (Sir Gordon Langley, Sir Stephen Tomlinson). Little activity.
- Construction of drilling rig SE Asia (LCIA). President of tribunal (Dominic Kendrick QC, Tim Elliott QC). Settled after 12 months.
- Pipe laying on seabed in Eastern Europe (LCIA). Both parties registered in or connected with UAE. President of Tribunal (Richard Wilmot-Smith QC, Richard Southern QC). Settled after several Partial Awards.
- Dispute about tram link in Midlands. Sole arbitrator. Taken to final award.
- Dispute about schools PFI project in Wales. Sole arbitrator. Settled – one partial award issued.
- Solar panel project in UK (LCIA). President of Tribunal (Jonathan Acton Davis QC, Tim Elliott QC). Settled after about 9 months.
- Professional negligence claim in relation to UK energy recovery facility. Sole arbitrator. Settled.
- Dispute relating to construction of three Bio Mass Energy projects (ICC). President of Tribunal (John Blackburn QC, Stephen Furst QC). Following decision on preliminary issue, had to resign following family bereavement.
- Construction of major sewage plant in Albania (ICC). Party appointed arbitrator (Carmen Nunos-Lagos, Dr Christopher Thomas QC). Taken through to Final Award.
- Metro project in Middle East (CC). President of Tribunal (Nicholas Dennys QC, Michael Tselentis QC). Settled after 12 months.
- Construction of airport in Middle East (ADCCAC). Party appointed arbitrator (Simon Thorley QC, Dame Elizabeth Gloster). Settled after 12 months, following preliminary rulings.
- Railway signalling project in NE India (ICC). President of Tribunal (Edwin Glasgow CBE, KC, Harish Salve KC). Currently in progress (final hearing imminent).

In addition, Sir Antony has conducted one mediation, and has given one neutral evaluation in a UK construction insurance dispute and, instructed by a Cabinet of Advocats in Paris, one expert opinion on English law for Taiwanese clients.

## Qualifications

- High Court Judge (2009)
- Deputy High Court Judge (2005)
- Recorder (1993)
- St Catharine's College, Cambridge



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# Memberships

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Chartered Institute of Arbitrators