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PERSONAL SUMMARY

A bilingual litigation and arbitration specialist with over 11 years of extensive experience and knowledge of GCC laws, particularly the UAE. I regularly advise clients in contentious and non-contentious matters in relation to complex cross-jurisdictional commercial matters.

As result of my vast experience and interest in dispute resolution, regulatory, and corporate fields, I provide daily support to my clients in a wide range of areas. My experience is usually called upon by my colleagues and clients to formulate the best strategical approach to their legal queries where I provide a commercial perspective and a pragmatic solution.

I regularly speak at leading events and am requested to co-author legal insights by many of the leading publications, including Legal 500 where I collaborated twice, in the past two years, with 18 lawyers from 18 different jurisdictions in publishing country comparative guides for enforcement of judgments in civil and commercial matters. I deliver internal and external training seminars and webinars to colleagues and clients, in addition to regularly publishing e-alerts on the GCC legal market trends.

I am passionate about diversity, inclusion, mentorship, and bringing the best out of my colleagues. I have therefore launched a training committee in Stephenson Harwood Dubai office that aims at training future talents and junior lawyers. I am considered a confidant to the junior members of my team who regularly approach me for mentorship on technical and soft skills in addition to navigating through day-to-day issues.

EXPERIENCE

- **Associate at Stephenson Harwood Middle East LLP – Dubai, UAE** (Jan 18- Now)
 - 1- Dispute resolution – leading a team of junior and mid-level associates in:
 - a. Handling multi-million dollars complex contentious and non-contentious matters for high profile clients in real estate, banking and finance, commercial, civil, insurance, commercial agencies, shareholders disputes, maritime, and criminal disputes.
 - b. Advising and handling disputes from the outset before the UAE local courts and various arbitral tribunals on the defensive and offensive fronts. Including liaising with and managing external counsels and experts.
 - c. Insolvency and enforcement of foreign judgments and arbitral awards in the UAE.
 - 2- Corporate and transactional – leading a team of junior and mid-level associates in:
 - a. Negotiating and drafting agreements, including, but not limited to, settlement agreements, shareholders agreements, non-disclosure agreements, memorandums and articles of associations and advising clients on companies' setup process and prerequisites.
 - b. Reviewing various technical agreements during and post the drafting process.
 - 3- Regulatory advisory and disputes– leading a team of junior and mid-level associates in:
 - a. Advising MNCs operating in the financial advisory and consultancy and the insurance brokerage sectors on general compliance and licensing related queries.

- b. Advising on the laws and regulations of various regulatory authorities in the UAE, including but not limited to the UAE Securities and Commodities Authority, Central Bank, DFSA, Virtual Assets Regulation Authority, and ADGM.
 - c. Acting for our clients in complaints filed before the regulatory authorities and disciplinary actions taken against them by said regulatory authorities.
- **Associate at Al Tamimi & Co. – Dubai and Sharjah, UAE** (April 14 – Jan 18)
 - 1- Handled various complex matters including a multi-million dirham real estate dispute for a high profile Emirati businessman against the landlord and developer of a plot of land in a prestigious location in Dubai.
 - 2- Handled several DIAC and ad-hoc construction arbitrations.
 - 3- Assisted a client, who was a minor shareholder in multi-million dirham UAE Oil & Gas Company, to bring a claim and obtain a favorable judgment against the major shareholders in the company. The favorable judgment granted was for a value over AED 100,000,000.
 - 4- Managed and handled various cross-border commercial agencies' infringement complaints on behalf of a Japanese automobile exclusive agent in the UAE against several companies who were involved in infringing the agent's rights by illegally importing hundreds of thousands of vehicles and selling them in the UAE.
 - 5- Handled a great number of contentious and non-contentious matters in various fields of law including managing to successfully overturn multiple principles established by Dubai Courts of Cassation and the Federal Supreme Courts.
- **Intern as a Legal Researcher at Thomson Reuters – Dubai, UAE** (Jan 14 – April 14)
- **In-house lawyer at MTN Telecommunication Company – Sudan** (March 12 - March 13)
- **Trainee Lawyer at Abd Almunim Mohamed Al-Amin Advocates – Sudan** (Jan12 - March12)
- **Intern at the Sudanese French Bank – Sudan** (June11 - July 11)
- **Intern at ZAIN Telecommunication Company – Sudan** (April11 - June11)
- **Volunteer at Educations Without Borders – Sudan** (June10 – May13)

PUBLICATIONS

- [The new Commercial Agencies Law in the UAE - a move towards flexibility in the commercial agencies practice in the UAE \(shlegal.com\)](#)
- [United Arab Emirates: Enforcement of Judgments in Civil and Commercial Matters](#)
- [Interim remedies and arbitration in the United Arab Emirates \(UAE\) | Legal Guidance | LexisNexis](#)
- [Challenging arbitral jurisdiction and anti-suit injunctions in the United Arab Emirates \(UAE\) | Legal Guidance | LexisNexis](#)
- [Enforcing arbitral awards in the United Arab Emirates \(UAE\) | Legal Guidance | LexisNexis](#)
- [arbitration-insights-from-singapore---guide-to-monetising-arbitration-awards-against-assets-in-the-united-arab-emirates---july-2022.pdf \(shlegal.com\)](#)
- [Debt recovery: How to avoid protracted Court proceedings \(shlegal.com\)](#)

EDUCATION & MEMBERSHIPS

- LLB – University of Khartoum, Second Class Honours Division II (2006-2010)
- Registered with the Sudanese Bar Association (January 2011)
- Registered with the Dubai Legal Affairs Department (April 2016)
- Member of Stephenson Harwood Technology Group
- Head of Stephenson Harwood Dubai office Training Committee

- Member of the African Arbitration Association (MENA representative of the Young Member Committee)