

## Augustin Barrier Counsel, Geneva



**Augustin specialises in international arbitration, including commercial and investment treaty arbitration in a wide array of business sectors with particular emphasis on energy, mining, joint ventures, supply and distribution and foreign investments, notably in Europe and Africa.**

He has acted as counsel in numerous international arbitral proceedings under the aegis of various institutions (ICC, LCIA, SCC, NAI, CCJA, ICSID) as well as ad hoc proceedings governed by a range of substantive and procedural laws, both common and civil law, such as French, Swiss, Swedish, English, Algerian, Nigerian, Mauritanian, OHADA or international law.

Augustin regularly publishes content relating to international law, international arbitration and arbitration law. He also contributes to the preparation of the *Revue des revues* for the *Journal du droit international* (Clunet).

### Current Memberships

- + Co-Founder of the Swiss Chapter of ENERAP (Energy Related Arbitration Practitioners)
- + Member of Young Mining Professionals (YMP) Switzerland
- + Member of ICC Young Arbitrators Forum (YAF)
- + Member of LCIA Young International Arbitration Group (YIAG)
- + Member of African Arbitration Association (AfAA)
- + Member of ASA below 40

### Career History

- + Counsel, LALIVE, Geneva, 2020 – present
- + Associate, LALIVE, Geneva, 2016 – 2020
- + Associate, Dentons Europe, Paris, 2014 – 2016
- + Associate, Bredin Prat, Paris, 2010 – 2014

### Academic Qualifications

- + Master in Litigation, Arbitration & ADR, Paris-Panthéon-Assas University, 2009
- + Master in Economic Law, Sciences Po, Paris, 2008
- + Bachelor of Law, Panthéon-Sorbonne University, Paris, 2007

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### Practices

- + Arbitration - International Commercial
- + Arbitration - Investment Treaty

### Sectors

- + Energy
- + Mining

### Languages

- + English
- + French

### Nationality

- + French

### Admission

- + Geneva (foreign lawyer), 2017
- + Paris, 2011

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## Recognition

Ranked as Future Leader

***Who's Who Legal, Arbitration, 2023***

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"Augustin's expertise and knowledge in the case is particularly advanced. Particular emphasis should be placed on his skills to prepare witnesses for the proceedings. Patience, empathy capacity, perfect process (case) management, ability to establish mutual trust between client and legal representative."

***Legal 500, Dispute Resolution: Arbitration, Key Lawyer, 2021***

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## Recent publications

### **Mitigating the costs of potential disputes in Africa through third-party funding**

BERND EHLE, AUGUSTIN BARRIER

*In: SABC Member Legal Insights Newsletter, 2023*

### **Mali Ecowas Sanctions: The Impact on Foreign Investors**

AUGUSTIN BARRIER, BAPTISTE RIGAUDEAU

*In: LALIVE Blog, 27 January 2022, Lexology online, 31 January 2022*

### **Guinea: Outlook on investment protection one month after the coup**

AUGUSTIN BARRIER, BAPTISTE RIGAUDEAU

*In: LALIVE Blog: 11 October 2021*

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## Recent Conferences

### **ICC YAAF**

#### **The Present and Future – New Horizons in Arbitration**

AUGUSTIN BARRIER, Moderator *Panel 2 – Monetization of African arbitration*

*Lagos, Nigeria, 30 May 2013*

### **LALIVE**

#### **Impact of the ESG Requirements on Investment Arbitration**

AUGUSTIN BARRIER, Moderator

*Geneva, 11 May 2023*

### **African Arbitration Association**

#### **3rd Annual Conference and Awards Ceremony**

AUGUSTIN BARRIER, Speaker, *Securing funding for dispute resolution in*

*Africa*

*Accra, 3 November 2022*