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ABOUT

Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators.

Fellow of ACICA.

Fellow of the Australian Academy of Law.

Member of HKIAC and SIAC Panels of Arbitrators

Australian designated member of the ICSID Panel of Arbitrators and Conciliators

Justin practises primarily as an independent arbitrator in international and domestic Australian disputes. He also appears in domestic Australian High Court and other appeal proceedings and advises generally.

Justin has over 40 years legal experience, as solicitor (1985-1988), counsel (1989 onwards) and Senior Counsel (2000 onwards). He was the founding head of Banco Chambers Sydney (2005-2012) and the 10th Solicitor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia (2012-2016).

He has practised as a domestic and international arbitrator since 2017, with qualifications from CI Arb and ACICA. He is a member of the SIAC, HKIAC and ACICA panels and an Australian designated member of the ICSID Panel of Arbitrators and Conciliators.

RECENT APPOINTMENTS IN INTERNATIONAL & AUSTRALIAN ARBITRATIONS

INTERNATIONAL

2026: Committee Member, ICSID Annulment Panel (Case ARB/19/33).

2025-2026: Committee Member, ICSID Annulment Panel (Case ARB/19/21).

2024: ICSID Designee (Australia).

2022-24: Co-arbitrator, SIAC arbitration (Singapore).

2022-24: Co-arbitrator, ICC arbitration (London).

2021-24: Co-arbitrator, UNCITRAL arbitration (Perth)

2022-24: Presiding arbitrator, ICC arbitration (Hong Kong).

2020: Presiding arbitrator, LCIA arbitration (London).

2020: Party appointed arbitrator in energy arbitration.

AUSTRALIA

2026: Arbitrator appointed by Australian Energy Regulator in energy dispute over non-scheme gas pipeline.

2025: Independent Investigator into matters arising in a major sporting body.

2024: Sole Arbitrator, ACICA arbitration, renewable energy dispute.

2022-23: Sole arbitrator, Resolution Institute arbitration.

	2022-23: Expert Determiner, various insurance coverage and energy disputes. 2022: Sole arbitrator, Ad hoc commercial arbitration. 2020-2021: Arbitrator appointed by Australian Energy Regulator in disputes under Part 23 of National Gas Rules.
APPEARANCES IN INTERNATIONAL COURTS AND TRIBUNALS	As Solicitor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia between 2012 and 2016, Justin advised on numerous international law issues and was joint counsel for Australia in proceedings including:
<i>International Court of Justice</i>	2014: <i>Timor-Leste v Australia, Questions relating to the Seizure and Detention of Certain Documents and Data</i>. 2013: <i>Australia v Japan, Whaling in the Antarctic</i>.
<i>Inter-State arbitration</i>	2015: <i>Timor-Leste v Australia, Arbitration under the Timor Sea Treaty</i> (PCA case 2015-42). 2013: <i>Timor-Leste v Australia, Arbitration under the Timor Sea Treaty</i> (PCA case 2013-16).
<i>Inter-State conciliation</i>	2016: <i>Timor-Leste v Australia, Compulsory Conciliation under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea</i> (PCA case 2016-10).
<i>Investor-State arbitration</i>	2015: <i>Phillip Morris Asia Limited v Australia, Arbitration under the Hong Kong-Australia Business Investment Treaty concerning Tobacco Plain Packaging Legislation</i> (PCA case 2012-12).
RECENT AND FORTHCOMING APPEARANCES AS COUNSEL IN APPELLATE MATTERS	HIGH COURT OF AUSTRALIA Justin Gleeson SC has appeared as leading Counsel in the High Court of Australia in over 135 appeals or original jurisdiction matters across most areas of law, including international or treaty-based claims; Australian constitutional law; commercial law, taxation and intellectual property; aboriginal land rights; public, regulatory and competition law; criminal law; and tort, compensation and employment law. Justin also has extensive experience in appearing in the Federal Court of Australia and the State Supreme Courts, on appeal and formerly at trial.
ADDRESSES, BOOKS AND PUBLICATIONS	Justin has published widely on international law and arbitration, comparative law and constitutional law.
LANGUAGES	English; Spanish (reading).