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OVERVIEW

Aaron is a litigator with global experience helping clients resolve high-value, complex commercial disputes.

With a focus on commercial litigation, Aaron has represented multinational companies in multimillion-dollar cases, often across international borders. Aaron's experience includes successfully defending companies in business litigation, major international arbitrations seated in the United States and abroad, and high-profile white collar criminal matters. Whether involved in litigation, arbitration or internal investigations, Aaron's focus is on developing and implementing coherent, comprehensive and cost-effective strategies on behalf of clients.

Clients appreciate his unique background working in London on complex, cross-border commercial disputes. He guided arbitrations under a variety of leading arbitral rules, such as those of the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC), London Court of International Arbitration (LCIA), and United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL). While abroad, Aaron also had the opportunity to work within the Secretariat of the ICC in Paris, where he helped administer international commercial and investment treaty arbitrations under the ICC Rules of Arbitration.

Since returning to St. Louis, Aaron has represented multinational companies in disputes in jurisdictions nationwide. While Aaron works primarily with clients in Healthcare, Life Sciences and Education, he has experience in a variety of industries, including Financial Services, Energy and Manufacturing. His priority is to ensure that legal strategies fit with clients' business goals: he values

Industries

Education
Healthcare
Life Sciences

Services

Commercial Litigation
International
Litigation & Alternative Dispute Resolution

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the opportunity to delve into a client's business needs, and tailors his approach to litigation accordingly.

Experience

- Successfully defended multinational financial services company in multiparty London Court of International Arbitration (LCIA) arbitration seated in London and governed by English law.
- Successfully defended natural gas importer in International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) arbitration seated in Switzerland involving price re-opener claims under long-term liquefied natural gas (LNG) supply contract governed by New York law.
- Defended multinational companies in toxic tort/product liability cases pending in St. Louis, Missouri; Madison County, Illinois and St. Clair County, Illinois; served as local counsel in cases pending nationally.
- Obtained favorable consent award as lead counsel on multimillion dollar ICC international commercial arbitration seated in Illinois and governed by Delaware law.
- Represented mid-stream natural gas company in multijurisdictional dispute involving construction of natural gas pipelines.

Recognition

- *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch® in America*
 - Commercial Litigation, 2024 ad 2025
- Missouri Bar Pro Bono Wall of Fame, 2019

Education

- LL.M., London School of Economics and Political Science
 - with merit
- J.D., University of Missouri-Kansas City
 - *magna cum laude*
 - *UMKC Law Review*, staff
- B.A., Western Michigan University

Admissions

- Missouri

Community Leadership

After training as a violinist from a young age through his undergraduate years, he continues to enjoy playing chamber music, especially in string quartets. He also works closely with two St. Louis nonprofits, the Bach Society of Saint Louis, where he serves as Director and Secretary, and the Community Music School of Webster University, where he is President of the Advisory Board, Strategic Planning Committee. Both organizations aim to provide regional musical performance and education opportunities.



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