

Stephen S. Strick, Esq.



Stephen S. Strick is an Alternative Dispute Resolution Specialist with over thirty years of experience as an international and domestic arbitrator and mediator. Mr. Strick has served as Chair, sole arbitrator, or panel member on over two hundred and fifty Commercial, Domestic and International arbitrations in fields that include technology, media, licensing, FCC matters, sports, healthcare and other industries. His professional practice is exclusively devoted to dispute resolution.

Mr. Strick is a Fellow of the College of Commercial Arbitrators, and serves as Chair of the College's Membership Committee.

He has previously served on the College's Board of Directors, its Executive Committee, co-chair of the Outreach Committee, and on the Branding and Imaging Committee, the International Committee and the CCA's Diversity Task Force.

He is also a Fellow of both the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (former Executive Board Member and Co Chair of Programming/NY Branch), and of the Singapore Institute of Arbitrators.

Mr. Strick is a voting member of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences, a member of the New York State Bar, the U.S. Council for International Business (ICC), and many other organizations, boards and charities past and present.

Areas of Expertise:

- ACCOUNTING/FINANCE
- BANKING/LENDER LIABILITY
- CONTRACTS
- ENTERTAINMENT, MEDIA & SPORTS
- INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY (TRADEMARK & COPYRIGHT)
- MERGERS & ACQUISITIONS
- PATENT/SEP
- TELECOMMUNICATION

ADR Experience and Qualifications:

Served as a neutral on numerous arbitration cases since 1982. Member of the ICDR International Panel of Arbitrators and Mediators, AAA's Commercial, Large/Complex Case, FCC and Mediation Panels, International Institute of Conflict Prevention & Resolution (CPR) Panels of Distinguished Neutrals, Independent Film & Television Alliance International Panel of Neutral Arbitrators, and National Academy of Distinguished Neutrals, the Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre and its Intellectual Property Panel, the London Court of International Arbitration, Cairo Regional Centre for Commercial Arbitration and is a current Fellow of the Singapore Institute of Arbitrators.

Representative Matters:

- ICC international arbitration involving multi-million dollar claims and requested injunctive relief in connection with the alleged breach of technology agreements, wrongful use of licensed technology and know-how, and misappropriation of trade secrets, relating to the manufacture and sale of high-tech mineral-based products.
- Chair of Large/Complex ICDR arbitration involving issues of breach of contract and warranties in connection with the design, manufacture and delivery of a technologically sophisticated surveillance camera and ground station hardware and software systems for military aviation uses.
- AAA case involving allegations of fraud (forgery), conversion; demand for accounting in connection with purchase and sale of paintings.
- ICDR case involving breach of contract, breach of fiduciary duties, unjust enrichment, fraud, declaratory relief and an accounting in connection with licensing agreements.
- ICDR arbitration for declaratory and injunctive relief relating to the assignability of Health Care Consumer Products US Patent claims release (valued at up to \$15 Billion).
- AAA arbitration involving breach of contract and damages relating to the license of automobile dealership software and computer services.
- AAA arbitration involving breach of contract and damages relating to the license of health care and hospital management software and computer services.
- Arbitration relating to the license of internet travel industry software.
- Mediation/Arbitration of Celebrity Product Endorsement Contract involving breach of contract, damage computation, and licensing issues.
- Arbitration involving music and video copyrights and distribution right, accountings and royalties.

- Baseball arbitrations mandated pursuant to the Federal Communications Commission Special Orders involving the price, terms and conditions of final offers for the carriage of Regional Sports Networks programming by local multi- channel video programming distributors.
- AAA arbitration involving toy licenses and damage computation, loss of revenues, damage to reputation, defamation.
- AAA arbitration involving breach of insurance company's obligation to fund motion picture production and related counterclaims.
- ICDR dispute involving breach of clothing company agency and related agreements.
- IFTA arbitration/mediation of dispute involving breach of contract, reversion of rights and settlement of monies in connection with the distribution of a motion picture.
- IFTA arbitration involving pay television company agency and related agreements and counter/cross claims.
- AAA arbitration of bank and completion bond company dispute.
- ICDR arbitrations of cases involving breach of contract in connection with Domestic and International Licensing Agreements relating to Intellectual Properties and Copyright Claims.
- Arbitrations involving preliminary issues of discovery and procedure including jurisdiction and competence of arbitration panel.
- IFTA/AAA arbitrations relating to the production, financing and/or distribution of motion pictures and television programming in various media including theatrical, non-theatrical, pay and free television, home video as well as allied and ancillary rights such as music publishing, theatrical and literary rights.
- AAA arbitrations involving administrative and procedural issues that concern default judgments relating to international distribution contracts.
- Arbitration involving disputes between HMO and medical services providers. IFTA arbitrations relating to pay television rules and regulations.
- Arbitration involving Master Mortgage Loan Warehousing and Security Agreement.
- Numerous ADR matters both US and international involving high stakes commercial disputes seeking monetary as well as equitable, declaratory and other forms of non-monetary relief.

Work History:

- Dynacs, Inc. (and predecessor companies), General Counsel, 1994-2001;
- Art & Commerce, Senior Vice President and General Counsel, 1989-94;
- DEG/Dino DeLaurentis Corp., Key Senior Executive, Production, Financing and Distribution of Motion Picture and Television Programming, 1982-89;
- HBO, Business Affairs, 1980-82;
- Loeb & Loeb (predecessor firm) Attorney, 1977-80;
- United Artists Corporation, Attorney, Business Affairs, 1975-77.

Professional Associations:

- College of Commercial Arbitrators (Fellow, Currently serves as Chair of the Membership Committee; former Member – CCA Board of Directors. Co-Chair CCA Outreach Diversity Committee 2012-14 – CCA Branding and Image/International Committees 2014-current);
- Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences (Voting Member-Executive Branch);
- The New York State Bar;
- Former member- American Bar Association (ADR Section) ;
- ICC/U.S. Council for International Business;
- The International Institute of Conflict Prevention & Resolution (CPR) Panels of Distinguished Neutrals;
- The Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (Fellow);
- Independent Film & Television Alliance International Panel of Neutral Arbitrators;
- National Academy of Distinguished Neutrals.
- New York International Arbitration Club

Publications and Speaking Engagements:

- Moderator – College of Commercial Arbitrators Forum. Restatement of the Law, the U.S. Law of International Commercial and Investor-State Arbitration, George A. Bermann Prof. of Law Columbia University and Chief Restatement Reporter interview by Jennifer Kirby.
- College of Commercial Arbitrators Forum, Arbitration: Past, Present and Future CCA 2020 Annual Meeting, Talk by Gary Born. (Stephen Strick – Moderator).
- Judge/Arbitrator Vis Moot Competition Vienna, 2018 and 2019.
- Faculty Member University of Southern California Gould School of Law, Advanced Arbitration Academy,
- Judge Judith O. Hollinger Program in Alternative Dispute Resolution, 2016.
- Guest Speaker – Practicing Law Institute, 2016.
- Guest Lecturer Stanford Law School, 2015.
- Participant/Arbitrator in numerous Annual ICDR Practice Moot Competition Programs;
- Judge/Arbitrator – Vis Moot Competition Hong Kong, 2016
- CCA Diversity Panel Discussion Moderator – CCA Annual Meeting;
- Moderator — Media and Entertainment Panel, College of Commercial Arbitrators 2014 Annual Meeting- Los Angeles
- Numerous Judge Volunteer for Annual ICDR Practice Moot Programs

Education:

- Mr. Strick was educated at Stanford University, The University of California's Hastings College of the Law and Pacifica Graduate Institute.