Bio of Alec Emmerson

Alec became a disputes lawyer on joining Clyde & Co and was Managing Partner of the firm's Hong Kong office from 1984 to 1996. In 1999 he moved to Dubai to head the firms' Dispute Resolution Group in the MENA region. Since 2008 he has been a consultant to the firm and an independent arbitrator and since November 2014 a trustee and the Chief Executive of DIFC Arbitration Institute.

Since 2008 Alec has sat in over 120 arbitrations under the rules of ADCCAC, DIAC, DIFC-LCIA, ICC, LMAA, SIAC and in UNCITRAL rules and other ad hoc appointments. He has arbitrated disputes in the shipping/shipbuilding, energy, insurance and reinsurance, infrastructure/construction, real estate, joint ventures, distributorship/agency, telecoms, I.T. and financial/consultancy sectors.

Alec is also a member of the Emirates Racing Authority Appeal Panel, a member of the LCIA Court, a member of the International Advisory Board of the Turkish Commercial Law Review and of Emirates Law Business & Practice.

He has been described as the "czar of dispute resolution in the Middle East" and is recognised as a leading practitioner in the Who's Who Legal Directories for Arbitration, Mediation, Litigation, Transport and Insurance & Reinsurance.