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Called to the Bar in England in 1990, Julian joined the Construction Practice of Pinsent Masons in 1993 and moved to Hong Kong in 1998 with the firm, leaving as a Partner in 2009. He was called to the Hong Kong Bar in 2010 and founded Resolution Chambers in 2021.

Julian has over 30 years' specialist experience of heavyweight commercial arbitrations, construction and engineering disputes, and international arbitrations in Hong Kong, and across Asia, the Pacific, the Middle East and Europe. Sums in dispute in his cases vary from small to in excess of USD 2 billion. As well as acting as counsel, he frequently sits as arbitrator, and sometimes as a mediator.

In addition to a substantial Hong Kong practice, Julian has been involved with disputes in:

<u>Asia-Pacific:</u>	Macau SAR, PRC mainland, Singapore, Thailand, Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, Vietnam, Fiji, Guam, India, Pakistan, Bangladesh
<u>Middle East/Africa:</u>	Dubai, Abu Dhabi, Qatar, Kuwait, Iran, Saudi Arabia, Oman, Yemen, Mali, Benin, Egypt, Sierra Leone, Turkey
<u>Rest of the World:</u>	Brazil, Albania, Czech Republic, France, Belgium, Germany, United Kingdom

Julian is also involved in arbitration law reform and the training of arbitrators in emerging arbitral jurisdictions including Sri Lanka, Maldives, Afghanistan, Papua New Guinea

Ranked as one of the leading construction juniors at the Hong Kong Bar by both Doyle's Guide and The Legal 500, Julian Cohen is also ranked as a top arbitration practitioner by Who's Who Legal: China and Hong Kong. Julian teaches and speaks internationally.

Julian is British with Hong Kong Permanent Residency. He is a native English speaker. He has experience with legal and contractual documents in French.

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1. **Education**

- City University, London: Diploma in Law
- Lady Margaret Hall, Oxford University: Politics, Philosophy and Economics

2. **Professional Qualifications & Memberships**

- Called to the Bar: England & Wales (Gray's Inn), 1990; Hong Kong, 2010
- Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators
- Diploma in International Commercial Arbitration, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators
- Qualified Dispute Resolver (mediation), the Academy of Experts
- Approved Tutor for all Chartered Institute of Arbitrators' courses on arbitration
- Fellow, Hong Kong Institute of Arbitrators
- Member, Arbitration Committee, ICC Hong Kong branch 2007 to date
- Solicitor: England & Wales, 1994; Hong Kong 1998 – 2009
- Solicitor Advocate (all Civil courts): England & Wales: 1994

3. **Professional Background**

- 2010 Barrister (Hong Kong)
- 1998- 2009 Pinsent Masons (Hong Kong): Partner & Solicitor
- 1993-1998 Masons (London) Solicitor
- 1991 - 1993 Barrister, 29 Bedford Chambers, London
- 1991 Lafili Van Crombrughe, Avocats, Brussels, Belgium
- 1990 - 1991 Gide Loyrette Nouel, Avocats a la Cour de Paris

4. **Commercial Disputes and Arbitration**

Julian Cohen is ranked as a top arbitration practitioner by Who's Who Legal: China and Hong Kong and as well as acting as counsel, Julian regularly sits as an arbitrator. He also acts as a mediator.

Julian's commercial dispute and commercial arbitration experience includes

Agency Agreements	Intellectual Property	Sale of Goods/Commodities
Cross-Border Investment	Joint Ventures	Shareholders Disputes
Distribution Agreements	Professional Services	Shipbuilding

5. **Construction, Engineering, Energy Disputes**

Julian Cohen is recognised as one of the world's leading construction lawyers, and is ranked by legal directories as being one of Hong Kong's leading construction barristers (Doyle's Guide and The Legal 500) and a top arbitration practitioner (Who's Who Legal: China and Hong Kong).

Julian acts for all stakeholders in projects including Developers, Contractors, Sub-Contractors, Consultants, and Governments. He is also regularly appointed as an arbitrator and mediator.

Building Works

Commercial Developments	Leisure Facilities	Professional Consultants
Educational Facilities	Office Developments	Residential Developments
Hotels	Process Plants	Shipbuilding

Civil Works

Airports	Maritime Ports	Professional Negligence
Bridges	Rail / Light Rail	Roads
Canals	Reclamation Works	Tunnels

Energy

Hydroelectric	Combined Cycle Power Stations	Oil Rigs & platforms
Solar Power	Oil & Gas Pipelines	Petrochemical Facilities
Wind Power	Oil Processing Facilities	Power Stations

Others

Commissions of Inquiry	Sewage Treatment	Train Rolling Stock
Runway Lighting Systems	Shipbuilding	Water Treatment Plants

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6. PRC Related

Julian has a significant practice assisting both outbound PRC Contractors with disputes globally, and a wider range of PRC entities with disputes in Hong Kong/

7. International Arbitration

As well as acting as counsel, Julian Cohen also sits regularly as an arbitrator in the Asia Pacific and Middle East regions. Julian has experience of most major arbitration rules such as UNCITRAL, HKIAC, ICC, LCIA, SIAC, DIAC, QICCA, DIFC, SCC.

He is familiar with common law, civil code and Sharia based jurisdictions and arbitrations. Julian Cohen is ranked as a top arbitration practitioner (Who's Who Legal: China and Hong Kong) one of Hong Kong's leading construction barristers (Doyle's Guide and The Legal 500).