

PATRICIA CRUZ TRABANINO, Associate

Patricia Cruz Trabanino is an international dispute resolution lawyer in the firm's International Arbitration, Public International Law, and Human Rights practice groups. She has extensive experience in investment treaty and international commercial arbitration, with special emphasis on disputes involving concession contracts, extractive industries, infrastructure projects and public-private partnerships.

Ms. Cruz Trabanino has acted as counsel in arbitrations conducted under the major arbitration rules, including ICSID, ICSID Additional Facility, UNCITRAL, and ICC. Ms. Cruz Trabanino also represents clients in arbitration-related US federal court proceedings and in matters concerning international trade. She has extensive experience assisting clients with the assessment of potential claims under international investment agreements.

Ms. Cruz Trabanino's work spans multiple geographic regions, including Latin America, Europe, Africa, and the United States. She frequently publishes and speaks on topics in international arbitration, public international law, and human rights. She has been recognized by *The Legal 500 United States* in the field of international arbitration.

Ms. Cruz Trabanino maintains an active pro bono practice, representing clients in immigration proceedings.

Prior to joining Jenner & Block, Ms. Cruz Trabanino was an associate in the international arbitration and international trade departments of international law firms. In those roles, she focused on international investment arbitration and antidumping, countervailing duties, customs and trade compliance matters. Ms. Cruz Trabanino is a native Spanish speaker.

- *Webuild S.p.A. (formerly Salini Impregilo S.p.A.) v. Republic of Panama* (ICSID Case No. ARB/20/10). Representing the Republic of Panama in an ICSID arbitration relating to the Panama Canal expansion.
- *Gerald International Limited v. Republic of Sierra Leone* (ICSID Case No. ARB/19/31). Representing the Republic of Sierra Leone in an ICSID arbitration initiated under the United Kingdom-Sierra Leone bilateral investment treaty in connection with an iron ore mining project.
- Representing a South American local government in arbitrations conducted under UNCITRAL and CAIP rules in connection with concession contracts for infrastructure projects.
- *Sacyr S.A. v. Republic of Panama* (ICSID Case No. UNCT/18/6). Representing the Republic of Panama in a treaty arbitration under the UNCITRAL rules relating to the Panama Canal expansion.
- *Metro de Lima Línea 2 S.A. v. Republic of Peru* (ICSID Case No. ARB/17/3). Representing the Republic of Peru in an ICSID case arising from a Public-Private Partnership contract for the construction of the Lima metro.



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PRACTICE GROUPS

Human Rights and Global Strategy
International Arbitration
Public International Law

EDUCATION

Harvard Law School, JD, 2013; *cum laude*

Washington University in St. Louis, BA, 2009;
magna cum laude

ADMISSIONS

District of Columbia, 2015

New York, 2014

COURT ADMISSIONS

Court of International Trade

US Court of Appeals, Federal Circuit

US Supreme Court

- *Ritika Mehta, Prenay Agarwal, and Vinita Agarwal v. Oriental Republic of Uruguay* (PCA Case No. 2018-04). Represented the Oriental Republic of Uruguay in an arbitration initiated under the United Kingdom-Uruguay bilateral investment treaty in connection with an iron ore mining project.
- *Italba Corporation v. Oriental Republic of Uruguay* (ICSID Case No. ARB/16/9). Represented the Oriental Republic of Uruguay in an ICSID proceeding brought under a bilateral investment treaty in connection with the telecommunications industry.
- *Anglo American plc v. Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela* (ICSID Case No. ARB(AF)/14/1). Represented the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela in an ICSID (Additional Facility) proceeding brought under a bilateral investment treaty in connection with a nickel mining concession.
- *TENARIS S.A. and TALTA– Trading e Marketing Sociedade Unipessoal Lda. v. Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela* (ICSID Case No. ARB/12/23). Represented the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela in an ICSID proceeding brought under bilateral investment treaties in connection with the steel industry.
- *Highbury International AVV, Compañía Minera de Bajo Caroní AVV, and Ramstein Trading Inc. v. Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela* (ICSID Case No. ARB/14/10). Represented the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela in an ICSID proceeding brought under bilateral investment treaties in connection with gold and diamond mining concessions.
- *Gold Reserve Inc. v. Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela* (ICSID Case No. ARB(AF)/09/1). Represented the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela before US courts in proceedings to enforce an award issued by an ICSID (Additional Facility) Tribunal.

Service to the Bar

- American Society of International Law, New Professionals Interest Group Co-Chair (2016-2019)
- American University's Washington College of Law's Investment Arbitration Moot and LL.M. Arbitration Competition, Arbitrator
- American Branch of the International Law Association, Investment Law Committee, Member
- American Society of International Law, Member
- ASIL Women in International Law Interest Group, Mentor (2017-2018)
- ICC Young Arbitrators Forum, Member
- International Bar Association, Member
- International Institute for Conflict Prevention & Resolution, Young Attorneys in Dispute Resolution (CPR Y-ADR) Steering Committee, Member (2019-2021)
- International Rounds of the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition, Judge

Awards

- *Legal 500 US*
International Arbitration - 2020

Speaking Engagements

- Author and Presenter, “Deep Seabed Mining: The Next Frontier in International Investment Law,” Conference on Social License and Dispute Resolution in the Extractive Industries, February 2021
- Panelist, “Environmental Protection Before International Courts and Tribunals: Challenges and Opportunities,” International Law Weekend, October 2019
- Author and Presenter, “Counterclaims and Their Potential to Address the ‘Legitimacy Crisis’ in Investment Treaty Arbitration,” the 8th Conference of the Postgraduate and Early Professionals/Academics Network of the Society of International Economic Law at King’s College London, England, May 2019
- Speaker, “Careers in International Law,” George Washington University, February 2019
- Author and Presenter, “Intangible but No Less Real – Moral Damages Suffered by a State in Investor-State Arbitration,” Rethinking Reparations in International Law Conference at the Lauterpacht Centre for International Law of the University of Cambridge, November 2018
- Speaker, “Oral Skills and Techniques in International Arbitration,” ICC Young Arbitrators’ Forum (San José, Costa Rica), October 2018
- Panelist, “Arbitraje en América Latina: ¿Dónde Estamos las Mujeres?” Arbitral Women and ICDR Young & International Panel (Santo Domingo), June 2018
- Panelist, “The Art of Advocacy in International Arbitration,” ICDR Young & International Panel (Washington, DC), April 2018
- Moderator, “Dismantling Barriers to the Practice of International Law,” ASIL Annual Meeting Panel (Washington, DC), April 2018
- Moderator, “States Against Investors: Practical and Strategic Dimensions of Counterclaims,” 6th Annual International Arbitration Month – Georgetown International Arbitration Society and American Branch of the International Law Association Panel (Washington, DC), February 2018
- Moderator, “Arbitration, Corruption, and Transparency,” IX Latin American Arbitration Conference (La Paz), June 2017
- Panelist, “Dealing with Arbitrators,” ICDR Young & International Panel (La Paz), May 2017
- Panel Chair, “International Arbitration in Latin America: Are We Innovating or Catching Up?” International Law Weekend (New York), October 2016
- Presenter, “Latin America’s Exploration of Alternative Practices in Investor-State Arbitration,” Sixth Seminar of the Mexican Journal of International Law (Mexico City), September 2016