



# Undisputed LEADERS *in dispute resolution with a 25-year record to prove it!*

LOCAL INSIGHT. GLOBAL RELEVANCE.

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# Introduction

*Established over 25 years ago, **Al Aidarous** Advocates & Legal Consultants has emerged as the undisputed leaders in dispute resolution.*

As an independent boutique law firm operating out of the UAE, we offer comprehensive legal solutions to multi-dimensional and multi-jurisdictional legal challenges, providing our clients with all the expertise they need under one roof.

With qualifications in UAE civil law and common law, as well as the ability to communicate in both English and Arabic, we possess the unique ability to seamlessly bridge any gaps that may arise between parties.

This becomes especially relevant in jurisdictions where Sharia forms the foundation of the legislation, as we are well-equipped to navigate the complexities of such systems.

Our commitment to excellence is evident in our highly experienced and internationally recognised expert teams, who bring a collective wealth of knowledge to our clients' legal matters. Throughout our journey, our core values have remained steadfast, and we take pride in being our clients' bastions and protecting their rights to fairness, justice and equity.

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# Experience the Al Aidarous difference

*For every conflict, there is a resolution,  
provided you are equipped to find it.*

At **Al Aidarous**, we understand that everyone needs a strong and dependable partner to navigate the complexities of dispute resolution. Our passion for what we do drives us to be deeply invested in every client, offering astute advice and becoming their trusted partner throughout their legal journey.

Our culture is the backbone of our firm: shaped by strong leadership, ethical conduct, respect for all, and a commitment to continuous improvement. We hold ourselves to the highest standards of professionalism, ensuring reliability and building a reputation that our clients can trust.

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# Our EXPERTISE

## Litigation

### *Our full-service practice*

Over the past 25 years, **Al Aidarous** has earned a reputation for handling complex and high-value litigation matters across the UAE. We operate within both the UAE's civil law system and the DIFC and ADGM Courts, which are based on English common law.

Our locally and internationally experienced legal counsel offer invaluable insights into the intricacies of each system, ensuring commercially viable solutions that align with our clients' business objectives. Whether you face civil matters, commercial disputes or appeals, **Al Aidarous** has the expertise to effectively represent all your interests.

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# Our EXPERTISE

## Arbitration

### *Our full-service practice*

**Al Aidarous** Advocates & Legal Consultants boasts extensive experience in representing clients as counsel in complex commercial arbitrations worldwide. Our team has appeared in institutional arbitrations administered by renowned arbitral institutions, such as the ICC, LCIA, SCC and UNCITRAL.

With our integrated approach to arbitration, we guide clients from the commencement of arbitration proceedings to ratification and enforcement, or setting aside of arbitral awards, before UAE domestic courts. Our expert lawyers and counsels are qualified in UAE law, English law and French law, ensuring comprehensive advice and representation.

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# Our EXPERTISE

## Arbitration

### *Counselling*

Our expert team is well versed in advising clients on various areas of UAE law. We offer personalised attention to each client and are committed to achieving the best outcomes for their unique situations.

In addition to our arbitration practice, our lawyers and counsels frequently represent clients in setting aside proceedings of arbitral awards and in legal proceedings for the recognition and enforcement of arbitral awards before UAE courts.

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# Our EXPERTISE

## Arbitration

### *Sitting as arbitrator*

Due to our extensive experience and reputation in the region, our senior members are regularly appointed as arbitrators, both as sole arbitrators and as part of a tribunal. Fluent in both

Arabic and English, our arbitrators can administer arbitrations for major and regional arbitral institutions, such as the ICC, LCIA, DIAC, ADCCAC and ADGM Arbitration Center.

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# Our EXPERTISE

## Expert Opinion

### *Foreign courts & international arbitrations*

Our niche expertise in UAE/GCC laws enables us to provide expert opinions before foreign courts and international arbitrations. Through our Managing Partner, Ali Al Aidarous, the firm provides expert witness statements on issues relating to UAE laws before international arbitration forums and foreign courts in the UK, US, Australia and Norway.

Our reputation for effectively communicating legal concepts to foreign courts or international arbitrations is based on our expertise in bridging the gaps between UAE Civil Law and common law as well as our ability to present matters in a manner that resonates with foreign judges and arbitral tribunals.

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# What **SETS US APART**

- **BOUTIQUE LAW FIRM:** With over 25 years of experience, we specialise in dispute resolution through litigation, arbitration and expert opinion.
- **CLIENT-CENTRED APPROACH:** Your needs and objectives are our top priority. We provide personalised attention and tailored solutions, treating you as more than just a case.
- **EXTENSIVE LEGAL EXPERIENCE:** Our highly skilled lawyers bring deep expertise in dispute resolution, navigating complex legal matters with a thorough understanding of the legal landscape.
- **EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION AND ADVOCACY:** We are here to protect your interests as bastions of fairness, justice and equity. Our expertise allows us to present compelling arguments and negotiate favourable settlements.



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# What **SETS US APART**

- **INNOVATIVE APPROACH:** We streamline the dispute resolution process, enhancing efficiency and achieving faster, more satisfactory resolutions.
- **COMMITMENT TO INTEGRITY AND ETHICS:** Trust and transparency are our core values. We uphold the highest standards of integrity and ethics in all our interactions, ensuring your trust is maintained throughout the process.
- **RESULTS-ORIENTED APPROACH:** We are dedicated to achieving favourable outcomes for our clients. Our results-oriented approach resolves disputes efficiently while safeguarding your best interests.
- **LOCAL INSIGHT WITH GLOBAL RELEVANCE:** Our solid understanding of local and international legal systems allows us to handle disputes within and beyond our jurisdiction, providing comprehensive solutions for multi-dimensional challenges.

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# Our TEAM



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# Our CREDENTIALS

- **ADCCAC ARBITRATION** Represented a major national corporate in a dispute involving a mega construction project, worth over AED 1.7 billion.
- **REPRESENTED** one of the consultants involved in the renovation of an iconic hotel in an insurance claim resulting from a fire damaging the hotel, circa AED 1.5 billion.
- **ADCCAC ARBITRATION** relating to the breach of a service agreement in the aviation industry, worth over AED 490 million.
- **REPRESENTED** a UAE company to invalidate a share agreement due to a large-scale dispute between the parties, circa AED 450 million.
- **DIAC:** Represented an employer (from a leading business family in the UAE) in a claim involving the construction of a hotel and hotel apartments, worth over AED 400 million.

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# Our CREDENTIALS

- **COUNSEL** on behalf of a leading business family in the UAE in a claim involving the construction of a hotel and hotel apartments, circa AED 300 million.
- **DIFC-LCIA:** Case involving a Futures Trading & Clearing Agreement, worth over AED 35 million.
- **ICC:** Represented a major Saudi construction company in a dispute against its MEP subcontractor in a claim valuing involving the construction of two power stations, worth over AED 30 million.
- **ACTED** as counsel in a real estate development claim of AED 30 million involving a major real estate development company in the UAE.
- **ACTED** as counsel in a case involving a conflict of jurisdiction between the DIFC, and Dubai Courts between a major international bank and a leading UAE based company.

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# Our CREDENTIALS

- **ADGM COURTS:** Appeared as a UAE law expert in a high-profile case to give expert opinion on matters involving construction of contract, remedies under fraud, privity of contract, unjust enrichment, agency, and contract by conduct. Judgment was issued in our client's favor, based on - among others - our expert evidence.
- **LCIA:** Validity of assignment receivable agreements, unjust enrichment, and actual and ostensible authority.
- **ADGM COURTS:** Case involving construction of and contract remedies under fraud, privity of contract, unjust enrichment, agency, contract by conduct.
- **THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE**, Business and Property Courts (Chancery Division) Professional negligence claim under UAE law.
- **GRAND COURT OF THE CAYMAN ISLANDS:** Enforcement of a foreign cost order by UAE courts.

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# CONCLUSION

*Undisputed*

**Al Aidarous** Advocates and Legal Consultants takes great pride in being undisputed leaders in dispute resolution. With over 25 years of professional excellence, our boutique law firm combines local expertise with a global reach to serve as your bastion in achieving fair and just resolutions.

As your trusted advisors and partners, we become deeply invested in your interests, striving for more effective outcomes for everyone involved. Our commitment to excellence, client-centric approach, and unwavering integrity set us apart in the legal field.

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