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Maurice Courvoisier is a member of Wenger Plattner's arbitration and litigation practice. He concentrates on representation of parties in international arbitration and international litigation. He has practical experience in various substantive law issues (such as commercial and contract law, copyright, design and art law, employment and transport law) and industries (such as pharma, machine and plant construction, logistic, telecommunication and insurances). He represents groups as well as smaller and medium sized companies, and he has experience in proceedings for and against states.

His other areas of experience are, among others, enforcement of foreign judgments and arbitral awards in Switzerland, international judicial assistance and the assistance for foreign proceedings in relation to Switzerland.

Maurice Courvoisier acts also as an arbitrator in international arbitration.

Admittance	New York (2001) Switzerland (2000)
Practice areas	Labour Law Art Law and Entertainment Law Intellectual Property (IP) Life Sciences and Health Law Litigation and Arbitration Transportation, Logistics and Customs Law
Languages	German, English, French, Italian
Education	University of Basel (Dr. iur. 2001) Columbia Law School New York (LL.M., Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar 1998) University of Basel (lic. iur. 1995)
Previous job experience	Associated with Christen Rickli Partner, Basel (2000-2007) Associated with the court in Biel/Bienne (1998) Research and teaching fellow for civil law, University of Basel (Prof. Dr. Ingeborg Schwenzer, LL.M., 1996-1997) Research fellow for civil law University of Basel (Prof. Dr. Thomas Geiser, 1994-1995)
Professional associations	Swiss Bar Association Board member of the Basel Bar Association Swiss Lawyers Association Swiss Association for Arbitration German Institution of Arbitration (DIS) New York State Bar Association (NYSBA) American Bar Association (ABA) Association Internationale des Jeunes Avocats (AIJA)

International Bar Association

Public functions	<p>Member of the Board of the Basel Bar Association</p> <p>Member of the Swiss Federal Arbitral Commission on the Exploitation of Copyrights and Neighboring Rights (elected for 2012-2015)</p>
Publications	<p><i>Zur Schiedsfähigkeit familienrechtlicher Angelegenheiten</i> In: FS Ingeborg Schwenzer zum 60. Geburtstag, Bern 2011 (in German)</p> <p><i>Das Binnenschiedsgericht: Schnelles Recht für KMU</i> Basler Zeitung (BaZ), 22 July 2011 (in German)</p> <p><i>New Swiss Code of Civil Procedure</i> WP Flash 2/10</p> <p><i>Arbitration in Switzerland - The Practitioner's Guide, commentary on art. 34 to 37 Swiss Rules</i> Kluwer Law International, to appear in 2012</p> <p><i>Vermeidbare Exportrisiken</i> Basler Zeitung (BaZ), 2 October 2009 (in German)</p> <p><i>Inverkehrbringen und Bewerbung von Arznei- und Nahrungsmitteln</i> Wirtschaftsbild 4/2009, pp. 42 et seq. (in German)</p> <p><i>Basel Commentary on Swiss International Private Law</i> 2nd edition, Basel 2007, art. 43 to 58 SIPL (in German)</p> <p><i>Prenuptial agreements - validity and enforceability, a comparative study</i> Dissertation 2002 (awarded the Walther Hug-price 2002) (in German)</p>
Speaking Engagements	<p><i>Erste Erfahrungen mit der Schweizerischen ZPO: Schiedsgerichtsbarkeit</i> Recht aktuell, Weiterbildungsveranstaltung der Juristischen Fakultät der Universität Basel, 21 October 2011</p> <p><i>Kauf-, Liefer- und Werkverträge nach Schweizer Recht</i> Forum, 19 October 2011, Frankfurt</p> <p><i>Dispute Resolution and Investment Protection in the Context of Russian-Swiss Cooperation</i> Swiss-Russian Industry Forum, 15 February 2011</p> <p><i>Befragung von Zeugen im internationalen Schiedsverfahren</i> ASA Lokalgruppe Basel, Basel, 12 May 2009</p> <p><i>Vertragsgestaltung und Prozessführung im Pharmabereich</i> WENGER PLATTNER Pharmatag 2010, Basel, 15 September 2010</p> <p><i>Denkmalpflege im Konflikt zwischen Restauration und dynamischem Urbanismus am Beispiel des Erweiterungsbaus zum Kunstmuseum Basel</i> Private Event, Basel, 3 June 2010</p> <p><i>Schiedsgerichtsbarkeit und Schiedsgutachten in der Immobilienwirtschaft</i> SVIT-Seminar Immobilienrecht 2010, Bern, 23 June 2010</p>
References	<p>Representation of a Luxembourg IT company in an arbitration pursuant to Swiss Rules regarding a SPA dispute.</p> <p>Representation of a Swiss Pension Fund in a leading case about conditions for premature payment.</p> <p>Interview assistance counsel in an internal investigation of a globally operating group for a possible violation of the FCPA.</p> <p>Swiss counsel of a Swiss company of an international pharmaceutical group in an internal investigation for a possible violation of US-securities laws.</p> <p>Representation of an interior design company in a dispute against a former employee about IP-rights to service designs.</p> <p>Representation of an athlete in a TAS/CAS arbitration about the athlete's suspension.</p> <p>Representation of an international organization in an employment dispute before its internal administrative tribunal.</p>

Representation of a globally operating German chemical company in an arbitration under the Swiss Rules regarding a long term supply contract with a US-based chemical company.

Representation of a globally operating pharmaceutical company in an arbitration under the ICC Rules regarding licensing and distribution of a pharmaceutical product in Germany.

Representation of a globally operating pharmaceutical company in an arbitration pursuant to Swiss Rules regarding the supply of consumer goods in China.

Swiss counsel in an arbitration under the CIETAC rules regarding the construction of a plant in China by a German company.

Representation of an Italian telecommunication service provider in an arbitration under the ICC Rules against an English provider.

Swiss counsel in a US-litigation regarding the restitution of an art work located in Switzerland.

Representation of a theater entrepreneur in a litigation against the Swiss collective collecting society for copyrights.

Representation of a Swiss theater in a litigation about claims of the artistic staff based on the collective labor agreement.

Representation of foreign creditors in attachment proceedings with regard to assets of a foreign state located in Switzerland.

Representation of a Swiss manufacturer of packaging machines in an arbitration against an English purchaser under the ICC Rules.

Representation of a globally operating logistics group in employment litigations against former members of the group management.

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