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EXPERTISE

- Banking and Securities Disputes
- Corporate and Commercial Disputes
- Commercial Arbitration
- Environmental Law
- Media Law Disputes
- Public & Administrative Law Disputes
- Telecommunications

OVERVIEW

Dato' Sunil Abraham is a partner at Cecil Abraham & Partners. He specialises in Corporate and Commercial, Banking and Securities, Media, Telecommunications, Public & Administrative, Environmental Law as well as Arbitration. He has significant advocacy experience before the High Court, Court of Appeal and Federal Court and before arbitral tribunals.

He has appeared in a number of noteworthy cases before the Federal Court pertaining to the applicable principles relating to the granting of interim relief in arbitration disputes in *AV Asia Sdn Bhd v Measat Broadcast Network Systems Sdn Bhd* [2014] 3 MLJ 61, the powers of liquidators in *Ooi Woon Chee & Anor v Dato' See Teow Chuan & Ors* [2012] 2 MLJ 713 and the exercise of royal prerogative powers in *Dato' Seri Ir Hj Mohammad Nizar bin Jamaluddin v Dato' Seri Dr Zambry bin Abdul Kadir (Attorney General, intervener)* [2010] 2 MLJ 285 and *His Royal Highness Sultan Ismail Petra Ibni Almarhum Sultan Yahya Petra v His Royal Highness Tengku Mahkota Tengku Muhammad Faris Petra & Anor* and another suit [2011] 1 MLJ 1, to name but a few.

He has successfully represented Raub Australian Gold Mining Sdn Bhd and Lynas Malaysia Sdn Bhd in high profile environmental law disputes instituted by local residents and has had the distinction of representing the Minister of Home Affairs and Minister of Tourism in several defamation claims.

He has appeared as co-counsel for the Government of Malaysia in an investment treaty arbitration claim instituted by Malaysian Historical Salvors and is presently co-counsel for several investors in a few pending investment treaty disputes.

He has been recognised as a leading individual by Legal 500 Asia Pacific and is ranked by Chambers & Partners Asia Pacific in the area of dispute resolution. In 2016, he was named by Asian Legal Business in the Top 40 Under 40 Practitioners in Asia.

PRACTICE AREAS

- Banking and Securities Disputes
- Corporate and Commercial Disputes
- Commercial & Investment Treaty Arbitration
- Environmental
- Land & Property Law
- Media Law Disputes
- Public & Administrative Law Disputes
- Telecommunications

REPORTED CASES

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QUALIFICATIONS

- BSC Economics (Hons), London School of Economics, University of London
- Post-Graduate Diploma in Law, BPP Law School
- Bar Vocational Course, Inns of Court School of Law, City University
- Barrister-at-law of the Honourable Society of Middle Temple
- Advocate & Solicitor of the High Court of Malaya
- Associate Member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, United Kingdom

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

Current

- Council Member of the Legal Practice Division of the International Bar Association (IBA)

Past

- Co-chair of the Asia Pacific Regional Forum of the International Bar Association (IBA)
- Advisory Board Member of the Young Lawyers' Committee of the IBA
- Co-chair of the Asia Pacific Arbitration Group of the IBA
- Asia Pacific Liaison Officer of the Arbitration Committee of the IBA

PUBLICATIONS

- Encyclopedia of International Commercial Litigation – Malaysian Chapter by Kluwer International Law (2009)
- The IBA Arbitration Guide 2012 – Malaysian Chapter
- Lexis Nexis Dispute Resolution Law Guide 2017 – Malaysian Chapter
- Chapter 19 – Misrepresentation, Bullen & Leake & Jacob's Malaysian Precedents of Pleadings (2017 Edition)

HONOURS

- Awarded the title *Dato'* by His Royal Highness, The Sultan of Kelantan in 2017