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Peter Griffin has almost 30 years' experience in the area of international arbitration, having practiced in London, Paris and New York. Peter is a former partner in the law firms of Shearman & Sterling LLP and Baker Botts LLP.

In 2007, Peter established Slaney Advisors Limited, which is a leading sell-side advisory firm specializing in the enforcement or monetization of international arbitration awards. Slaney Advisors has advised on the sale of awards having a face value excess of US\$11 billion. It has also managed the enforcement and collection of awards in excess of US\$200 million.

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Jeff Sullivan is a U.S. and English qualified partner in the London office of Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher, where he is a member of the firm's International Arbitration Group. Mr Sullivan represents clients in both commercial and investment treaty arbitrations, as well as all aspects of public international law. His work spans a broad range of industry sectors, with particular focus on the oil and gas, energy and mining, telecommunications, and infrastructure sectors.

He has been counsel in more than 30 investment treaty arbitrations under the ICSID and UNCITRAL arbitration rules and in ICSID annulment proceedings. He has particular expertise in respect of Energy Charter Treaty disputes, having acted as counsel in 12 ECT cases. He has represented both sovereign States and investors in these disputes.

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In addition to his dispute resolution work, Jeff is a Member of the ICC UK Arbitration & ADR Nominations Committee, a member of the Energy Charter Treaty Secretariat's Legal Advisory Task Force, an Executive Board Member of the European Federation for Investment Law and Arbitration and an Executive Committee Member of the Foundation for International Arbitration Advocacy.

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Ashley Messick is a partner at GPW. She leads the firm's London-based dispute consulting team, and is the head of GPW Sovereign Debt Advisors. Ashley is an acknowledged expert in asset recovery and global investigations with a particular focus on investor-state disputes and sovereign recovery. Over the past 10 years she has worked with leading law firms, corporate counsel and award holders on complex, multi-jurisdictional enforcement matters ranging from multimillion-pound awards to those in excess of £2 billion.

Ashley has led a number of high-profile investigations involving debtors originating from Africa, Latin America and Russia/Central Asia. She has tracked down assets and gathered intelligence in some of the world's most difficult frontier markets, including recent fieldwork in West and Central Africa, the Middle East and Russia. Her work has included cases against former government officials charged with embezzling state funds; multi-year investigations into attachable foreign assets of sovereigns and state-owned companies; unravelling complex fraudulent schemes; and tracing the assets of individual debtors.

Ashley is regularly engaged to provide evidence in support of enforcement measures as well as critical intelligence to support their timely application. Her work has been instrumental in successfully arguing alter ego for sovereign enforcement; obtaining obscure documentation to prove ownership; obtaining witness testimony to support arguments of dissipation; and evidencing contempt in respect of Worldwide Freezing Orders.

Ashley founded and leads GPW's market-leading business line – Sovereign Debt Advisors – which provides support for sovereign award holders and investors in distressed sovereign debt. SDA provides advisory services and asset assessments, and coordinates syndicated investment for award purchase and enforcement funding.

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David Orta is Chair of the U.S. International Arbitration Practice and of the Latin America International Arbitration Practice. *Chambers Global* and *Chambers Latin America* report that clients call David Orta a "tenacious" advocate, "a vastly experienced attorney who inspires real confidence, with a remarkable ability to see all the angles." They also report that Mr. Orta wins praise from clients for his dedication and "goes above and beyond to get the best result."

David is a trial lawyer and arbitration advocate with many years of experience successfully representing clients all over the world in complex international arbitrations (including investor-state (treaty) arbitrations and complex, international commercial arbitrations) and complex, commercial transnational litigations. David's clients and cases have spanned most continents, including North

America, Central America, South America, Europe, Asia, Africa and Australia. David represents both governments and investors in international arbitration matters. His experience spans many sectors, including energy, oil and gas, transportation, infrastructure, construction, power plant, telecommunications, mining, and post-merger and acquisition disputes. He also serves as arbitrator and expert in international investment and commercial arbitration disputes.

David has handled numerous investor-state arbitrations under bilateral and multilateral investment treaties administered under the auspices of the International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID). David also has represented clients in treaty and commercial ad hoc arbitrations administered under UNCITRAL Rules and international commercial arbitrations administered by the International Court of Arbitration of the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC), the London Court of International Arbitration (LCIA) and the International Centre for Dispute Resolution (ICDR/AAA). David also has handled many commercial, transnational litigations within and outside of the United States, including post-M&A and asset sale disputes, arbitral award enforcement proceedings and asset recovery litigation.

David has received various accolades for his work, including being named consistently as a Leading International Arbitration Advocate by *Chambers Global, Chambers Latin America, Legal 500, Euromoney's Expert's Guide to the World's Leading Commercial Arbitration* and being named consistently as "one of the world's leading commercial arbitrators" by the *International Who's Who Legal.* Most recently, David was named a Top 100 Lawyer for Arbitration & Litigation by *Latinvex* for 2018-2020. He also has been named on two separate occasions (once by the *National Law Journal* and once by *Washingtonian Magazine*) as one of the Top 40 Lawyers under 40 in Washington, DC; selected numerous times for inclusion in *Super Lawyers*—Washington, D.C. for international arbitration, named to the 2014 *Lawyers of Color Hotlist*, named one of the world's leading practitioners *in The International Who's Whoof Asset Recovery Lawyers 2012*, elected as Member of *The American Law Institute*, included in *Global Arbitration Review 100* (2010 Edition) "Names to Know," and named in *Lawdragon 500* "New Stars, New Worlds" in 2006. He regularly lectures on topics of international arbitration and public and private international law all around the world and has published numerous articles on topics of interest within the international arbitration community.