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### Education

Northwestern University School of Law, LL.M., cum laude, 2009

Universite de Paris X, DEA, cum laude, 2004

Universite de Paris X, LL.B, cum laude, 2003

### Bar Admissions

New York

Paris

### Languages

French

Greek

Italian

### Areas of Focus

Arbitration & ADR

Litigation

Pavlos Petrovas is a litigation associate in Hughes Hubbard's New York office. He served as a law clerk to the Honorable Charles P. Kocoras, U.S. District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois. His practice focuses on international and U.S. litigation. He has represented U.S. and international clients in various industries, including the energy, financial services, and intellectual property industries.

Mr. Petrovas is also committed to providing quality pro bono legal services. In 2014, Mr. Petrovas co-authored a White Paper on women's access to justice worldwide and assisted in its presentation to the Union Internationale des Avocats at the United Nations headquarters in New York. He also represented a criminal defendant charged in the Supreme Court of the State of New York, and currently represents a local church and monastery in various litigation-related matters, as well as a monastery in Europe in its effort to have returned various artifacts stolen during wartime. Mr. Petrovas is an attorney licensed to practice in France and is fluent in French, Italian, Spanish and Greek.

### Highlighted Matters

- Representation of U.S.-based telecommunications operator in ICSID arbitration against South American government.
- Representation of South American government in contract and fraud claims involving the commencement of proceedings before The Hague International Court of Justice.

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- Representation of British international distributor against international manufacturer of cosmetic products in AAA international arbitration involving contract claims.
- Representation of European engineering & construction company in resolution of Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (FCPA) investigation.
- Representation of U.S. shipbuilder in international ad hoc arbitration arising out of major repair and overhaul project for military ships.
- Representation of U.S. heavy equipment supplier in ICC international arbitration arising out of alleged defects in electrical equipment installed in power plants around the world.
- Representation of a Greek shipping estate in international arbitration for fraud, asset tracing, and recovery of family assets in the U.S.
- Representation of SIPA trustee of liquidated broker-dealer in customer and general creditor multi-billion-dollar claims.
- Representation of pharmaceutical company and its founder against a university regarding ownership of intellectual property in patent infringement litigation
- Representation of foreign bank in contract and fraud claim.
- Pro bono presentation of a White Paper on women's access to justice worldwide to the Union Internationale des Avocats at the United Nations headquarters in New York.
- Pro bono representation of criminal defendant charged with first-degree robbery.
- Pro bono representation of a New-York-based monastery in various litigation-related matters.
- Pro bono representation of a European monastery in its effort to have returned various artifacts stolen during wartime.

**Highlighted Publications**

- ICSID Law Review, *Diag Human SE v Czech Republic-Ministry of Health: A Broad Interpretation of the "Arbitration Exception" of the Foreign Sovereign Immunities Act*, J. Fellas & P. Petrovas (forthcoming 2017).
- ICDR Awards & Commentaries, *Comment on an ICDR case*, J. Fellas & P. Petrovas (Hanessian ed., forthcoming 2017).
- Investment Treaty Arbitration Review, *Compensation for Expropriation*, with Alexander Yanos (B. Legum ed. 2016).
- ICSID Law Review, *Diag Human SE v Czech Republic-Ministry of Health: A Restrictive Application of the 'Commercial' Requirement in New York Convention Cases under U.S. Law*, J. Fellas & P. Petrovas (fall 2015).
- Practical Law, *How do I appoint an arbitrator?*, S. Hammond & P. Petrovas (2015).
- Practical Law, *Minimum procedural standards in international arbitration*, S. Hammond & P. Petrovas (2014).

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- Practical Law, Which laws apply in international arbitration?, S. Hammond & P. Petrovas (2014).

**Previous Experience**

- Clerkship, The Honorable Charles P. Kocoras, US District Court for the Northern District of Illinois, Chicago, 2010 – 2011.