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A recognised leader in sports law, trusted by many of the world's leading sports organisations.

Louise Reilly SC specialises in international arbitration, investor-State disputes, sports arbitration and regulatory matters.

Louise sits as arbitrator in commercial and investor-State disputes and is a member of the ICSID Panel of Arbitrators and the International Panel of Arbitrators of the ICDR. She has been appointed as arbitrator under the rules of the world's leading arbitral institutions, including the ICC, the LCIA and ICSID.

As counsel, Louise appears before domestic and international tribunals, including the Court of Arbitration for Sport, the World Athletics Disciplinary Tribunal and the International Tennis Integrity Agency's Anti-Corruption Hearing Officers. She is ranked in Who's Who Legal for Sports & Gaming.

Louise is Adjunct Associate Professor at the UCD Sutherland School of Law. She has also taught at Western Law School, Ontario, and Trinity College Dublin. A graduate of Trinity College Dublin, the Honorable Society of King's Inns and Stanford Law School, Louise combines academic expertise with extensive experience in complex international disputes.

Expertise

Dispute Resolution and Litigation →

Arbitration →

Sports Law →

Board of Directors

- Chair of the Board of the Biathlon Integrity Unit
- Former Independent Director of Cycling Ireland (2022-2026)

Career

- Since 2023
  Kellerhals Carrard, Lausanne
- Since 2026
  International Centre for Dispute Resolution® (ICDR), International Panel of Arbitrators
- Since 2024
  Senior Counsel, Inner Bar of Ireland
- Since 2020
  International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID), ICSID Panel of arbitrators
- Since 2019
  Chair of the Board, Biathlon Integrity Unit,
- 2021-2024 ICC Arbitration, Irish Court Member
- 2021-2023 Member of the Appeals Chamber of the UEFA Club Financial Control Body
- 2018-2021 ICC Arbitration, Irish Alternative Court Member
- Since 2018
  Adjunct Associate Professor, University College Dublin
- 2018-2019
  Adjunct Assistant Professor, Trinity College Dublin
- 2016-2018
  Visiting Professor, Western Law School, Ontario
- Since 2014
  Barrister, Bar of England and Wales
- 2008-2013
  Managing Counsel and Head of Mediation, Court of Arbitration for Sport
- Since 2005
  Barrister, Law Library, Bar of Ireland
- 2001-2003
  Assistant Counsel, ICC Arbitration

Memberships

- Bar of Ireland
- Bar of England and Wales
- Task Force for the revision of the 2014 IBA Guidelines on Conflicts of Interest in International Arbitration
- Climate Bar Association, Council of the Bar of Ireland

Education

- JSM, Stanford Law School
- BL, The Honorable Society of King's Inns
- LLB, Trinity College Dublin

Languages

English, French
