

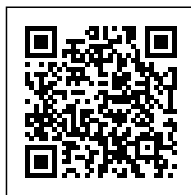
TEYNIER PIC BOOSTS MENA PRACTICE WITH THE APPOINTMENT OF DANNY RIFAAT

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Teynier Pic, the independent boutique firm dedicated to international and domestic dispute resolution in France, welcomes **Danny Rifaat** (pictured) to its partnership.

Rifaat's experience includes acting as both arbitrator and counsel in international arbitrations conducted under the auspices of leading global arbitral institutions, as well as regional institutions in the Gulf and the Middle East. He also has extensive experience in the prevention and management of disputes and risks, including alternative dispute resolution mechanisms, as well as a cross-cutting understanding of the legal and business issues in the Arab world.

Rifaat, who has been practicing law for nearly 3 decades, has been advising and representing corporate clients based in the Gulf and the Middle East, as well as major players in the global

economy with regard to their projects in the region. Rifaat has developed a strong expertise in real estate, construction, telecommunications, and infrastructure.

Prior to joining Teynier Pic, Rifaat founded Rifaat Associates in Beirut, and Al Misnad & Rifaat in Doha. Ever since his first arbitration experience at the ICC in 1995, he has built a significant arbitration practice in the region.

Éric Teynier, Managing and Founding Partner of Teynier Pic, comments: "We have had the pleasure of working with Danny for 25 years and we are delighted to have him join our team. His arrival is a testament to our firm's continuing international development, particularly in the Arab world, a region with which we have had and continue to have close ties. With Danny, we aim to further strengthen our position in the Gulf and Middle East and our presence in the world's leading arbitration centres."

Danny Rifaat adds: "I am proud to join Teynier Pic, a leading firm in dispute resolution whose reach extends beyond our borders. I see joining Teynier Pic's partnership as the logical and natural continuation of my long and fruitful collaboration with Pierre and Eric, with whom I have developed a close relationship for many years. I feel perfectly at home in the - very international - Teynier Pic team, whose values and commitments I share."