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Olli practises in the Dispute Resolution Group. He represents clients in commercial disputes in litigation and arbitration proceedings. Olli has experience of disputes relating especially to the banking and real estate sectors, international trade, energy, construction, and M&A. In addition, Olli advises clients on insolvency law and is regularly involved with various enforcement measures, having particular experience with preliminary injunctions before state courts.

In addition to his experience at Hannes Snellman, Olli has trained on the bench at the District Court of Helsinki and worked with real estate transactions at another major law firm.

REFERENCES

- Counsel to a major Finnish listed corporation in an international multi-million ICC arbitration concerning alleged defective supply of machinery as well as related injunction and damages claim proceedings in several instances of national courts
- Counsel to the State of Finland and its Defence Forces in the procurement of a fighter aircraft system, 2022
- Represented a Finnish seller in a complex M&A purchase price dispute resolved in expert determination proceedings
- Represented a Swedish buyer in an M&A dispute against a Finnish seller
- Counsel to a Finnish manufacturer in a multi-million euro arbitration against a global supplier concerning the sale of raw materials
- Counsel to a large financial institution in several ongoing litigations
- Counsel to a Finnish company in a dispute relating to wind park development
- Represented a construction company in court proceedings against the company concerning alleged defects in the construction works of a shopping mall
- Represented two private persons in a complex shareholders' dispute
- Represented a multinational company in several medical product liability cases
- Represented an Asian-based company in complex cross-border arbitration proceedings against a Finnish company undergoing liquidation proceedings conducted under the Arbitration Rules of the Finland Chamber of Commerce
- Represented a Finnish company in a major contractual dispute against an insolvent foreign company
- Represented a Finnish construction company in court proceedings against three housing companies regarding the alleged liability of the founding shareholder

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- Represented a major foreign bank in an insolvency-related complex cross-border dispute against foreign companies regarding enforcement of secured assets located in Finland in accordance with the Finnish Enforcement Act
- Assisted the public receiver nominated by the Bankruptcy Ombudsman in the bankruptcy of Kromipinta
- Counsel to YIT Corporation in a joint venture with Etera, Onvest and Fennia for the implementation of the Mall of Tripla and its parking facilities

PUBLICATIONS

- Article on pathological arbitration clauses in light of a recent Supreme Court decision, Edilex, 2023
- Co-author of the Finnish Chapter in the Global Practice Guide: Litigation 2020 by Chambers & Partners

EDUCATION AND PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

- Counsel, Hannes Snellman, 2024
- Finnish Bar Association mediation training, 2022
- FAI (Arbitration Institute of the Finland Chamber of Commerce) Arbitration Academy, 2021
- Senior Associate, Hannes Snellman, 2020
- Trained on the Bench, District Court of Helsinki, 2018–2019
- Associate, Hannes Snellman, 2016–2020
- Associate, Borenius Attorneys, 2015–2016
- Master of Laws, University of Helsinki, 2015
- Associate Trainee, Borenius Attorneys, 2015
- Associate Trainee, Hannes Snellman, 2014–2015
- Exchange studies at Erasmus University Rotterdam, the Netherlands, 2013–2014

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