THOMAS DILLON - CURRICULUM VITAE

Summary: UK and California-qualified lawyer. MBA, with expertise in international law, IP, commercial litigation and ADR. Qualified Arbitrator and Mediator. BAFTA member.

2024- Chambers of Tim Straker KC and Rupert Beloff KC, 4-5 Gray's Inn Square

ADR practitioner; IP consultant.

2014-2023 World Intellectual Property Organization, Geneva

Legal Counsellor, Building Respect for IP Division

- Giving training on IP enforcement (including ADR) for officials, judges, law enforcement officers and others in Albania, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Botswana, Gambia, India, Japan, Kazakhstan, Korea (Rep. of), Kyrgyzstan, Malaysia, Romania, Rwanda, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Uganda, Uzbekistan, Zimbabwe.
- Legislative advice to WIPO member states on IP legislation.
- Active as arbitrator in consumer disputes (2014-18: 134 awards).

2009-2014 Barrister and policy advisor, London (latterly at 4-5 Gray's Inn Square)

- Part-time role as Chief Operating Officer of Castlekeep Capital, a private equity firm based in Mayfair, London (2009-2010).
- Active as arbitrator in consumer disputes (2012-14: 18 awards).

2001-2009 Motion Picture Association, Brussels

Vice President & Deputy General Counsel EMEA (2006-2009); Anti-Piracy Counsel (2001-2006) (following internship, Los Angeles, 2000).

1984-2000 1 Fountain Court Barristers' Chambers, Birmingham, UK

Barrister in general practice.

ADR qualifications:

1999	Fellow, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators
2011	Accredited Mediator, ADR Group
2023	Accredited Mediator, Society of Mediators (SoM)
2025	Accredited Mediator, Swiss Chamber of Commercial Mediation (SCCM).

Education:

1977-1982	M.A. (Classics), Queens' College, Cambridge
1988-1990	Diploma in Intellectual Property, Queen Mary & Westfield College, London
2007-2009	Executive MBA (Film Business), Cass Business School, London
2020-2022	Master of Laws (International Dispute Resolution), Queen Mary, London.

Committee roles:

1998-2000	West Midlands Arts Board: Board member
2000-2018	Creative Advantage Venture Capital Fund West Midlands: Chairman
2009-2015	Ffilm Cymru Wales, Cardiff, UK: Board Member
2011-2014	Royal Television Society, London Centre: C'ttee Member (inc. as Treasurer).