

Dear Members,

I am delighted to put forward my candidacy for a position on the London Branch committee of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CI Arb). As a Solicitor-Advocate with 17 years of post-qualification experience and a Fellow of the CI Arb, I am eager to contribute to the continued growth and success of our esteemed London Branch.

Why Am I seeking Election?

As a proud Fellow of CI Arb, I am committed to the advancement of arbitration and alternative dispute resolution. Serving on the London Branch Committee would provide me with a valuable platform to contribute meaningfully to our arbitration community, support members, and help shape the future of our profession.

What Would I bring if Elected?

As a dedicated London-based professional, and a regular attendee of our Branch events, I have experienced first-hand the elements that fuel enthusiasm in our field. Recognising areas ripe for enhancement, I propose the following initiatives:

- **Diverse International Perspective:** I will advocate for an increased presence of international speakers at our events. Leveraging my strong global connections, I aim to invite seasoned professionals to share their insights, enriching our collective knowledge and broadening our horizons.
- **Enhanced Online Community:** I envision the creation of an online forum exclusively for London Branch members. This platform would facilitate continuous interaction, knowledge exchange, networking opportunities, fostering a more cohesive professional community.

By implementing these initiatives, I aspire to expand our membership and ensure our professionals are well-equipped to navigate the evolving landscape of arbitration.

Commitment to Active Participation and Teamwork

I am committed to attending all committee meetings and seminars in London, ensuring that I can effectively implement the initiatives outlined above. Throughout my 17-year career as a Solicitor-Advocate, I have been a staunch advocate for group responsibility and teamwork. Serving on the committee would allow me to leverage my interpersonal skills to foster collaboration and drive our shared goals forward.

Fostering Collaboration and Networking

I am a firm believer in the power of collaborative efforts amongst peers. To this end, I will facilitate diverse and engaging networking opportunities for our members. By organising enjoyable activities-such as interactive workshops, themed social events, and team-building exercises-we can create environments where members can forge meaningful connections. These initiatives will not only strengthen our community but also promote professional growth and camaraderie.

Closing Statement

Thank you for considering my candidacy. I am eager to bring my experience, dedication, and vision to the London Branch Committee, and I hope to have the opportunity to serve and contribute to our community's continued success.