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David W. Rivkin is Co-Chair of Debevoise & Plimpton's International Dispute Resolution Group and Immediate Past President of the *International Bar Association* (IBA). Mr. Rivkin is consistently ranked as one of the top international dispute resolution practitioners in the world. He has handled international arbitrations throughout the world and before virtually every major arbitration institution, and he has won some of the largest investment treaty and commercial arbitration awards. Subjects of these arbitrations have included long-term energy concessions, investment treaties, joint venture agreements, financial issues, insurance coverage, construction contracts, distribution agreements and intellectual property, among others, and they have involved common law, civil law, Islamic law and other

systems. He also represents companies in transnational litigation in the US, including the enforcement of arbitral awards and arbitration agreements. He was the first American to serve as IBA President in 25 years.

He has authored many articles and frequently spoken about international arbitration and litigation, and in his role as IBA President about such topics as business and human rights, judicial integrity, climate change justice and the important role of lawyers in preserving the rule of law. Mr. Rivkin is currently a Board member of arbitration institutions in Australia, Mumbai and Mauritius, and he has previously served in leadership roles in the AAA, LCIA, SCC and SIAC, among others.

In 2012, the *American Lawyer's Am Law Litigation Daily* named Mr. Rivkin one of two "Global Lawyers of the Year." In 2011, the *National Law Journal* named him one of the country's "Most Influential Attorneys." Mr. Rivkin sits on many arbitration panels, including P.R.I.M.E FINANCE's list of experts. Mr. Rivkin is a member of, among other organizations, the *Council on Foreign Relations*, the Council of the *American Law Institute*, the U.S. Secretary of State's *Advisory Committee on Private International Law* and the Sanctions Subcommittee of the Department of State's *Advisory Committee on International Economic Policy* (ACIEP).