

FIA Judges Biographies

Laurent Anselmi (Monaco)

Laurent Anselmi is an experienced lawyer who has occupied the post of Counsel to the Cabinet of His Serene Highness the Sovereign Prince of Monaco. He is presently Director of judicial services before the Monaco Government and President of the Monaco's Council of State. He has been a deputy member of the FIA's International Court of Appeal since 2004. He is also an adjunct professor at the International University of Monaco and a representative of the Principality at the Committee for International Law of the U.N.O.

André Bezuidenhout (South Africa)

André Bezuidenhout has practiced as a Barrister for 29 years in the High Courts of South Africa and Lesotho. He has acted as a Judge of the High Court of South Africa and has served, since 1996, as the President of the National Motorsport Appeals Court. He has appeared in arbitrations in several jurisdictions of the world. André has extensive experience in motorsport law and continues to compete in circuit and long-distance events.

Didier Bollecker (France)

Didier Louis Bollecker was admitted to practice as an advocate in France in 1970 and since then has held a wide variety of judicial and arbitral positions. He is currently President of the French Federation of Automobile Clubs and the Automobile Club Council for Emergency Services. He is also a member of the Automobile Club Board of Directors for Road Safety Prevention.

Javier Bone Matheu (Spain)

Javier Bone Matheu has a wide variety of both judicial and legal experience in the field of motorsports. He has been a member of the Spanish Motorsports Federation Appeal Tribunal since 2001 and has been a judge of the FIA's International Court of Appeal since 2009. He is also an arbitrator at the TAEC (Catalonia Court of Arbitration for Sport). He lectures in the ISLM (International Sports Law Master (LLM) in Lausanne (Switzerland). He has also acted as legal counsel to the Catalan Automobile Federation for 14 years.

Rui Botica Santos (Portugal)

Rui Botica Santos has been an advocate in Portugal since 1994 and an advocate in Brazil since 2006. He was also admitted to the Lawyers' Association of the Republic of Timor-Leste in 2012 and the Lawyers' Association of Macau in 2013. He is a Master Honoris Causa from the ISDE - Instituto Superior de Derecho y Economía, Madrid (2010), where he lectured the Master's students on International Sports Law from 2007-2016. He has been an arbitrator and Panel President in several proceedings before the Court of Arbitration for Sport since 2004 and member of FIA's International Court of Appeal since 2010. He was appointed member of the Commission for Sport Justice by the Portuguese Government and is a speaker at several seminars related to sports law. He is a member of the Swiss Arbitration Association (since 2014); the APDD – Portuguese Sports Law Association since 2007; and a board member of Rexsport (International Sports Law Association) since 2013. He has authored many articles on sports law including Sports Law in Portugal (2011), published by Wolters Kluwer Law & Business.

Francesco de Beaumont (Italy)

Francesco de Beaumont is a barrister qualified to practise in Italy and Belgium and a consultant for primary European manufacturing groups. His particular expertise is in negotiations and Italian administrative law. He is a former Secretary General of European Lawyer's Union and his legal work includes EU funded studies on the Rome Convention and the drafting of some of the most important legislations of Campania's Region. He has been a member of the National Tribunal of Appeal of the Italian motor racing sport committee (CSAI) since September 2004 and a member of FIA's International Court of Appeal from 2006 to 2009. Francesco is an expert in motorsport law and a sports car driver.

Hervé de Liedekerke (Belgium)

Hervé de Liedekerke is a leading advocate with significant judicial experience as well as ports law expertise. He acted as legal counsel before the Court of Appeal in Brussels for over 20 years and since 1998 he has been a judge of the Court of Appeal in Mons. He has also acted as President of the Belgian National Sports Tribunal since 1995. He has been a deputy member of the FIA's International Court of Appeal since 1983.

Harry Duijm (Netherlands)

Harry Duijm is a retired lawyer specializing in sports law. He has been a member of the FIA's International Court of Appeal since 1999. He has also acted as Chairman of the National Court of Appeal for Autosport in the Netherlands since 1994 and has held the position of Chairman at the Dutch College for Sport Jurisdiction.

Jean Gay (Switzerland)

Jean Gay has been working as a lawyer and notary in Switzerland since 1977. He is also an arbitrator at the ICC and an accredited mediator within numerous institutions such as the CMAP (Centre de Médiation et d'Arbitrage in Paris), the CSMC, (Chambre Suisse de Médiation Commerciale) and various cantonal tribunals (Geneva, Vaud and Valais). He lectures in mediation and negotiation, in particular at the University of Geneva and the Kurt Bosch University Institute. In his capacity as a sports law expert, Jean Gay has served as an arbitrator on the CAS (Court of Arbitration for Sport) since 1988. Jean Gay has been heavily involved in motor sport, previously serving as a Judge on the FIA Court of Appeal and on the National Appeals Tribunal. He is currently President of the National Discipline Commission (Switzerland). He has served as Vice-President of the Automobile Club de Suisse and has presided over the destiny of a major Swiss racing team (the Ecurie des 13 Etoiles). He raced for nearly 30 years, first in rallies and then on circuits, at the wheel of GT cars at the Swiss and European levels.

Edwin Glasgow (United Kingdom)

Edwin Glasgow has been a member of the Bar in England for over 50 years and a QC for over 30 years and throughout that time has conducted numerous sports cases. In 2005 he became a judge of the FIA's International Court of Appeal and has since then been elected as Vice-President of the ICA Congress. He is a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, sits as a judge on the FA Premier League's Panel and is Chairman of Sports Resolution UK.

Michael Grech (Malta)

Dr Michael Grech is a Maltese lawyer and senior partner of a leading law firm servicing a diverse portfolio of clients ranging from private individuals to national and international corporate clients and also the Maltese Government and other authorities. Dr Grech is also legal advisor to Touring Club Malta, Malta Motorsport Federation and other sports associations. He has been a member of the FIA's International Court of Appeal since 2008.

Chris Harris (United States of America)

Chris Harris became a lawyer in 1970 and since then has served as a Special Courts Martial Military Judge (US Marine Corps) and Court Appointed Special Master. He has litigated in Criminal and Civil Courts for over 40 years. He is also one of the founding members of the Grand American Road Racing Association n/k/a IMSA and is a Director of ACCUS-FIA, a Director of International Speedway Corporation since 1984 and serves on the Managing Board of AMA Pro Racing, the professional motorcycle racing sanctioning body in the US. Since 2018, Chris also serves as an Alternate Appeals Officer for US-based NASCAR.

Tiffany Hemmer (United States of America)

Tiffany Hemmer was admitted to practice as a lawyer in 1994. Currently, she is Vice President of Business Development and General Counsel for Andretti Autosport, a professional race team competing in the IndyCar Series and other racing series. For over 21 ½ years, she had worked for INDYCAR, the sanctioning body for the Indianapolis 500® Mile Race and other open-wheel races. She has served as Administrator of INDYCAR Protests and Appeals, Director of ACCUS-FIA, and a judge on the National Court of Appeals. She began serving as a judge on the FIA International Court of Appeals in 2015.

Thierry Julliard (Switzerland)

Thierry Julliard has been an advocate since 1976. He has been a judge at the National Tribunal of the Swiss Automobile Club since 1986 and became President of their Tribunal in 1994. He has significant experience in the Swiss civil and penal jurisdictions and has been a member of the FIA's International Court of Appeal since 2007.

Riccardo La Cognata (Italy)

Riccardo La Cognata is an experienced attorney who has represented a wide variety of clients with an interest in motor sports before the Italian Courts, including the Alfa Romeo Racing Team and the Ferrari Team. He has been appointed as arbitrator of the Italian Rugby Federation, the Italian Basketball Federation and the Italian Football Federation.

Jean-Christophe Leroy (France)

Jean-Christophe Leroy was admitted to practice as a lawyer in France in 1979 and one of his specializations during that time has been automobile sports law. He has been a member of the International Sports Commission since 1993. He is also currently a member of the French Automobile Association's Appeal Tribunal and Anti-Doping Commission.

Jean Luisi (France)

Jean Luisi has been an advocate in France since 1991. He is a former organizer of the Rally of France and has advised the French Automobile Association on matters regarding sports organisations. He was elected as a member of the FIA's International Court of Appeal in 2008.

Marek Małecki (Poland)

Marek Małecki was admitted to the Warsaw Bar Association in 1996 and specialises in civil and criminal law disputes. He has wide variety of both legal and judicial experience in field of motosports. For 3 years (2011 - 2013) he has held the position of Vice President of the ALL Motosports Tribunal in Poland and since 2013 he holds the position of its President. Since 2014 Marek Małecki is a member of FIM International Commission of Judges.

Gérard Martin (Belgium)

Gérard Martin has been an advocate of the Brussels bar since 1976. He has represented the Royal Automobile Club of Belgium since 1985 and he became a judge on their dispute resolution panel in 2000. He has been an Associate of the Belgian Cabinet with responsibility for sports affairs since 1990.

Fabio Mattei (Italy)

Fabio Mattei has been a lawyer since 1997 specialised in civil and administrative law disputes; since 2001 he is the administrative judge at the Regional Administrative Court of Lazio in Rome. He is also a member of the National Court of Appeals at the Italian Motor Sport Commission. He was involved in sports issues in other associations and currently holds the position of member of the National Commission of guarantee of the Italian National Federation of Hockey that appoints the judges of the national sport.

Richard McLaren (Canada)

Richard McLaren is a Professor of Law at Western University Canada and Counsel to the London firm of McKenzie Lake Lawyers LLP specializing in dispute resolution and sports law. He is a member of the Court of Arbitration for Sport since 1994, attended as an arbitrator for CAS at 5 Olympic Games and sat on over 100 CAS cases. Assisted Senator Mitchel in the Major League Baseball investigation of steroid use in the sport. Founder of the Canadian Sport Dispute Resolution Centre. President of the Basketball Arbitral Tribunal based in Geneva. One of the three individuals on the Independent Commission appointed by WADA to investigate allegations of systematic doping and cover-ups in Russian Athletics. Chair of the ICC Anti-Doping Arbitration Panel based in Dubai. He was appointed as the Independent Person by WADA to investigate and report on the institutional manipulation of doping control in Russia and at the Sochi Winter Olympics. His work has been recognised by the honour of being appointed an Officer of the Order of Canada in 2015.

David Miles (Australia)

David Miles has practiced law for over 40 years. He has been active in community affairs and is currently Chairman of the Australian Motor Sport Appeal Court. He holds numerous other positions in the academic and business spheres. In 2007 David Miles was made a member of the Order of Australia. He has been a member of the FIA's International Court of Appeal in 2000.

Philippe Narmino (Monaco)

Philippe Narmino qualified as a lawyer in Monaco since 1979 and has practiced in a wide variety of fields. After being the head of Monaco's Courts, he is now retired and was formerly in charge of the Justice Department of the Principality as Director of judicial services and President of the Monaco's Council of State. He has served as a judge of the national court of appeal of the Automobile Club of Monaco since 1982 and as its President since 1995. He has been a judge in the FIA's International Court of Appeal since 2004.

Arnas Paliukenas (Lithuania)

Arnas Paliukenas is a practicing attorney, and one of the fields of his specialization is sports law. As an attorney he participates in both, civil and criminal cases dealing with issues pertaining to the sports law, including auto sports law. He is an arbitrator of the Vilnius Court of Commercial Arbitration and hears sports disputes; also a lecturer at the Faculty of Law of Vilnius University, as well as a member of the Alumni Association, member of the Honor Court of the Lithuanian Jurists' Association and Vilnius Division Board. Besides, for a number of years he has been a licensed auto sports referee, clerk of the course, steward, and chairman of the stewards meeting. In addition, he has held office at the Lithuanian Automobile Sports Federation: member of the Council, member and chairman of the rally committee; arbitrator and chairman of the Court of Appeal.

Patrick Raedersdorf (Switzerland)

Patrick Raedersdorf has been an advocate and litigator since 1996. He is legal advisor to Auto Sport Suisse and has been an international steward since 2004. He was appointed as a Deputy member of the International Court of Appeal in 2007. Patrick Raedersdorf has also served as a judge and lawyer in military cases and arbitrations for 10 years.

David W. Rivkin (United States of America)

David W. Rivkin is an experienced litigator and a highly qualified international arbitrator, who also has served in high level positions in a variety of governmental, NGO and arbitral institution roles. Among other positions, he is a partner in a major international law firm and has recently been elected to be the next Secretary General of the International Bar Association. He has been an arbitrator of the Court of Arbitration for Sport since 1998 and he served as an arbitrator at the Olympics in 2002, 2004 and 2008. He is the author of a wide variety of publications on the topic of arbitration.

Philippe Roberti de Winghe (Belgium)

Philippe Roberti de Winghe was admitted to the Brussels Bar in 1971. He has been the President of the Belgian ASN Court of Appeal for many years. He has extensive experience working within the International Court of Appeal as he was first elected as judge in 1975. He is the former President of the Royal Automobile Club of Belgium. He is also the President of the ICA Congress.

Dieter Roskopf (Germany)

Dieter Walter Roskopf was admitted to practice as a lawyer in Germany in 1978. He became an international Race Steward in 1994 and a Steward of the FIA in 2004. He is a member of the German Motor Sports Association's Court of Appeal and their Automobile Tribunal. He has been a member of the FIA's International Court of Appeal since 2004.

Anthony Scott-Andrews (United Kingdom)

Tony Scott Andrews is an experienced litigator and has significant judicial experience within the motor sport domain. He is Chairman of the UK's Motor Sports Council and Chairman of the Motor Sport Association's National Court. Since obtaining his Steward's Licence in 1993, he has stewarded at a variety of events in both the United Kingdom and abroad.

Erich Sedelmayer (Austria)

Erich Sedelmayer has been a member of the FIA International Court of Appeal since 1997. For fifteen years he acted as head of the legal department at the Austrian Motoring Organisation, and is legal adviser to the Austrian National Sporting Commission.

Nish Kumar Shetty (Singapore)

Nish Kumar Shetty is the head of the South East Asian International Arbitration and Dispute Resolution practice of a well-known international law firm and has extensive experience as an arbitrator. He has acted as legal advisor to the Singapore Motorsports Association for many years and has acted in a quasi-judicial capacity as a Steward in the Singapore Grand Prix and Karting Championships.

Jan Stovicek (Czech Republic)

Jan Stovicek acts as legal advisor to the Czech National Olympic Committee as well as the Czech Sports Ministry. In the judicial sphere he has been President of the European Motorcycling Union Judicial Panel and member of the FIM Judicial Panel since 2006. He has been a member of the FIA's International Court of Appeal since 2003. For several years, he has been the President of the FIA's Antidoping Disciplinary Committee and an arbitrator of the Court of Arbitration for Sport.

Ladislav Vostárek (Czech Republic)

Ladislav Vostarek is an advocate with extensive experience in the field of arbitration. He has been an arbitrator for the International Chamber of Commerce since 2005 and the Czech Arbitration Court since 2004. In the legal sphere he has acted in both football and motor sports related matters. He is a board member of the Czech Golf Federation and President of Golf Club Prague.

Waltraud Wünsch (Germany)

Waltraud Wünsch has extensive experience in the motor sports field in a wide variety of roles, including driver, team manager and steward. Since 1994 she has been a member of the German Motor Sports Association Disciplinary Tribunal. She has also been a deputy member of the FIA's International Court of Appeal since 2001.

Felippe Zeraik (Brazil)

Felippe Zeraik has practiced law in Brazil since 1978. He has acted as General Counsel to the Brazilian Automobile Federation and for six years he acted as Auditor of its Superior Sports Court. For two years he held a position as President of the Sports Court of the Rio de Janeiro Automobile Federation and he was a judge of the FIA's International Court of Appeal from 1991 to 1999.