



Representative Legal Matters

Darryl Bernstein

- Advised a Johannesburg Stock Exchange-listed construction, engineering and mining contractor in the recovery of funds owed to it arising out of various construction disputes and their ancillary funding arrangements.
- Advised and represented the Group Five Housing and Motlekar Cape joint venture in opposing an application to overturn the award of the construction of a ZAR 370 million housing development by the Western Cape Government's Department of Human Settlements.
- Advised and represented one of the world's largest oil and natural gas service multinationals in relation to the disputed termination of a lease and development agreement in Ghana, coupled to the successful recovery of remitted funds.
- Advised and represented one of the largest mining companies in the world, along with certain of their employees, in litigation aimed at ensuring the proper interpretation, alternatively the constitutional striking down, of provisions of legislation which facilitate reckless lending and perpetuate inequality and unfairness through abuse by certain debt administrators.
- Advised and represented an American multinational technology company, with internet-related services and products businesses, in a matter arising out of the online publication of allegedly defamatory media.
- Advised and represented an American multinational computer technology corporation specialising in cloud and database services, in contested litigation relating to the termination of a service provider for breach of compliance guidelines.

- Advised and represented a pension funds administrator in relation to civil claims involving the Power Pack, Sable Industries and Datakor Pension Funds for alleged misappropriation, maladministration, fraud and theft in excess of ZAR 40 million, ZAR 50 million and ZAR 98 million, respectively.
- Advised and represented a public company listed on the Main Board of the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, in relation to intergroup company and shareholders' disputes with its local South African operations company.
- Advised and represented one of the world's most influential global management consultancies, headquartered in the US, with a significant and high profile investigation in respect of allegations of non-compliance with procurement legislation and alleged violations of the US Foreign Corrupt Practices Act and the South African Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act.
- Advised and represented a US-based aviation company with an investigation into allegations against its business with third party joint venture partners and the award of contracts by government and state owned entities in South Africa.
- Advised and represented a global, German and US-listed software company in a significant compliance related investigation in respect of allegations of non-compliance with procurement legislation, employment equity and BEE regulation, and various jurisdictions' extraterritorial anti-corruption legislation. This work required a multi-disciplinary, multi-jurisdictional approach in order to manage scrutiny by regulators from the United States, Germany and South Africa, and we investigated wide ranging allegations of corruption, mismanagement and procurement irregularities and assisted with disciplinary proceedings against the most senior executives in the African market unit.
- Advised a Johannesburg Stock Exchange-listed staffing and business process outsourcing company in a multijurisdictional investigation into the conduct of various executives which are alleged to have contravened various laws, regulations and fiduciary obligations.
- Advised a fine art auction house and dealer in an investigation and recovery in relation to allegedly fraudulent claims relating to the provenance and authenticity of high value art works.