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	Surname	SHARP
	First Name	GEOFFREY
	Nationality	New Zealand and United Kingdom passports held
	Country of Residence	New Zealand
Language	English	
Profession/Occupation and Organization	Commercial Mediator (full time) Member of Chambers at Brick Court (London) and Clifton Chambers (Wellington)	
Professional Affiliations and Positions	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Senior International Mediation Expert of Mainland – Hong Kong Joint Mediation Center2. Singapore Mediation Centre International Panel of Mediators and the Dispute Resolution and Compensation Panel of the National Electricity Market of Singapore.3. India International ADR Association Indian Institute of Arbitration & Mediation's International Mediator Panel4. CEDR International Mediator Panel	
Qualifications	LLB (Law) Geoff is admitted to the Bar in New Zealand and Australia (all NZ Courts, Supreme Court of Victoria, High Court of Australia and the Australian Federal Court).	



<p>Educational/Professional Background</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Winner: Best Commercial Mediator in the Asia Pacific Region 2016, 2017 and 2018 <i>APAC Insider Legal Awards</i> 2. He is also recognised for his mediation work in the Asia Pacific as an <i>ACQ5 Global Awards 2018</i> Category Winner. 3. Geoff is regularly included in <i>Who's Who Global Top 10 Mediators</i> and is <i>Who's Who Legal</i> says: "He is a mediation megastar, hugely experienced and brings years of knowledge to each mediation" and "one of New Zealand's pre-eminent mediators" possessing "vast experience mediating in Asia and the Middle East" "in high demand for his practice covering the Asia-Pacific region" "Clients would go to Geoff Sharp "10 times out of 10". He has conducted over a thousand mediations in New Zealand and worldwide, and is one of the most highly rated individuals on our international research" 4. Top Ten; <i>Who's Who Global Mediation Thought Leader 2017</i> <i>Who's Who Legal 2017</i> 5. Inaugural New Zealand Mediator of the Year 2012
<p>Mediation Training and Certification</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Harvard Law School (Program on Negotiation) USA 2. Pepperdine University (Strauss Institute) USA 3. CEDR International Mediator Panel 4. IMI Certified 5. Accredited to the Australian National Mediator Standards
<p>Mediation Style</p>	<p>Generally, I am at the more facilitative end of the mediation spectrum as I believe this is what parties want from a third-party neutral and it enables them to remain in control of their own dispute allowing them to manage their risks effectively in a time efficient, cost-effective way.</p> <p>I prefer that the parties remain front and center in the mediation process at the same time working closely with their advisers.</p>
<p>Mediation Experience</p>	<p>Prior to becoming a full-time mediator, Geoff was a litigation partner of one of New Zealand's largest commercial firms and represented commercial parties in mediation. He now spends his time equally divided between Brick Court Chambers in London, UK and Clifton Chambers in Wellington, NZ.</p> <p>Over the past two years he has mediated a number of high-profile New Zealand and UK matters including a multibillion-pound class-action and one of the most significant pieces of litigation in the UK for 2016/17; a large cross border Indian chemical supply dispute; a five party country to country commercial dispute of political and historical significance, co-</p>



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	<p>mediated with a retired UK Court of Appeal judge; a multimillion pound insolvency litigation; two large fraud matters and the termination of a wholesale insurance arrangement; a JV dispute over a deep water oil well off the coast of Africa; a takeover involving sensitive client issues and a Southeast Asian energy infrastructure claim set against a complex backdrop of litigation and arbitration in Manila, Singapore and London. Before that, a Middle Eastern oil and gas sector project dispute and a UAE construction dispute involving an iconic Dubai building project.</p> <p>Known as a mediator who can connect with parties in conflict, Geoff has been engaged by many of the world's leading law firms as well as Asian, UK and NZ Governments.</p> <p>He mediates across a range of commercial conflicts including infrastructure, construction, intellectual property, engineering, technology/telecom/energy sectors, financial, insurance, contractual, shareholder, joint-venture and public sector/governmental matters.</p>		
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