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AREAS OF EXPERTISE

- Business Formation & Registration
- Regulatory & Government Compliance
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- Public Contracts & Construction Projects
- Taxation & Finance
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- Contract Drafting & Negotiations
- Civil & Criminal Law Proceedings
- Mediation & Dispute Resolution

REPRESENTATION EXPERIENCE

- Successfully represented a European company resulting in just under six (6) million dollar fund restoration from the Ministry of Oil, a first in the ministry's history
- Advised a major international insurance company on potential liability for a port operator at one of Basra's major ports
- Advised IOC subcontractors on the application of Iraqi law to contractual provisions, registration requirements, and the issuance of visas
- Effectively represented foreign investors against a fraudulent judicial complaint in a high profile multi-million-dollar case, the resolution of which resulted in both the judge and opposing counsel facing criminal charges
- Represented international corporations seeking to establish Iraq based operations
- Appeared as an expert witness in U.S. federal courts on issues relating to Iraqi law

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OUR EXPERTS



Sermid Al-Sarraf, Esq., General Counsel – A California attorney of Iraqi descent, Mr. Al-Sarraf was admitted to the Iraqi Bar Association in 2005, becoming one of the first U.S. trained and qualified lawyers to be licensed to practice law in Iraq. In recognition of his expertise, Mr. Al-Sarraf has appeared in U.S. federal courts as an expert witness and has provided expert testimony in multiple cases before the UK High Court on matters pertaining to the application of Iraqi law.



Farah Killidar, Of Counsel – A Solicitor of the High Courts of England & Wales, with expertise in international law, corporate governance, arbitration, non-profit management, knowledge of and experience with Iraq's legal and political systems, advising on cross-border transactions, and native Arabic skills. Ms. Killidar brings her demonstrated strategic vision and expertise working across cultural boundaries, as well as her combined knowledge of common law and the Iraqi legal system to the wide expertise of DSLIM.



Dr. Essam Alsadi, Of Counsel – The former Deputy National Security Advisor (I-NSA) for Iraq (ret. as Deputy Minister), Dr. Alsadi has over 32 years of experience as a legal and policy advisor for the Government of Iraq. He previously held the positions of Adviser to the Prime Minister, Inspector General at the Higher Education Ministry, Director General at the I-NSA, Director General for Counter Terrorism Policy, and Legal Adviser to the I-NSA. Dr. Alsadi earned his doctoral degree in Public Law from the University of Baghdad, College of Law.

OUR PROFESSIONALS

DSLIM has an extensive cadre of experienced senior counsel and a dedicated team of staff attorneys, as well as affiliated attorneys in provinces outside Baghdad.

Given the depth of our professional experience, our attorneys have a wide array of specialties, including regulatory/compliance, employment, government contracting, construction, banking and finance, litigation, taxation, maritime, and aviation law.

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