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### Areas of Practice

- Construction & Engineering
- Energy & Natural Resources
- Offshore Construction & Marine Engineering
- General Commercial

### Clerks' Details

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### Practice Overview

Dawid Welgemoed is an Advocate/Barrister in South Africa (Johannesburg Bar, Maisels Group) and an International Member of Keating Chambers, London. He specializes in all aspects of Engineering, Construction and related issues. He has extensive domestic and International experience in high value and complex disputes in High Courts, Arbitrations and Adjudications. He has been Counsel on matters, amongst others, relating to:

- a gas pipeline in Oman (ICC)
- a highway in the Middle East (ICC)
- advising a multinational contractor on turbines (\$40 000 000,00)
- to advise on the world's largest oxygen production plant, (many hundreds of millions USD)
- a complete hospital (value \$900 000 000)
- review of a multinational tender for a new power plant (value \$150 000 000.00)
- Two Power Stations, acted for an international engineering venture. Claims of several hundred million USD
- High Voltage Power Lines (For an International Joint venture - value of claim \$460 000 000.00)
- multiple disruption Claims on a power plant (\$20 000 000.00)
- a Diamond Mine (Value of claim \$150 000 000.00)
- a copper mine in Zambia (ICC)

- a Desalination plant in Cape Town
- Water reticulation systems
- Numerous pipeline disputes – Marion island
- Nuclear material (acted for a Chinese law firm)
- many matters involving roads construction
- a Sports stadium
- Locomotive repairs (Merger valued at R1 billion)
- Racing cars
- Several shipbuilding matters
- Buffalo Genetics
- a Floating harbour (several Hundred million USD)
- High value residential houses
- Housing developments
- Credit models ( R1 billion/ per annum)
- Banking electronics
- Bridge Construction
- Electricity software
- multi discipline engineering disputes
- International fishing quotas and fishing rights
- several mining matters in the value of many hundred million USD
- He has been counsel of choice for the family of a Nobel Peace prize winner and several International High Value clients
- He has been a guest lecturer on aspects of construction law, adjudication and arbitration in several countries
- Acted for Omani, Chinese, British, Singaporean, German, Japanese, Indian, and Swiss International clients
- He was Counsel in numerous Professional Indemnity Claims for Architects, Engineers and Contractors
- General Commercial work includes, amongst others, Cross border Swiss Trust litigation, and advising on a credit model in excess of R1 billion

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## Career

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- International Member of Keating Chambers, London
- Advocate of the High Court of South Africa – Member of the Johannesburg Bar (admitted in 2000)
- Called to the Bar of England and Wales (Middle Temple – 2003)
- Arbitrator of the South African Arbitration Forum (AFSA) – Commercial Panel and Construction panel
- A former Chairperson of the Tax Dispute Board of the South African Revenue Services
- Member of the Executive committee of the Construction Committee of AFSA
- Arbitrator of the Botswana Institute of Arbitrators (CiArb – Bots)

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## Scholarship and Bursaries

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- Bursary from Keating Chambers, London
- Lord Diplock Scholarship from The Middle Temple, London
- C B Davidson Bequest Scholarship for study at the University of Aberdeen, Scotland
- ATKB Merit Scholarship
- University of Stellenbosch Merit Bursary

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## Professional Qualifications

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- Advocate of the High Court of South Africa – Member of the Cape Bar (Admitted in 2000)
- Barrister of The High Court of England and Wales – Of the Middle Temple (Call of 2003)
- Arbitrator of the South African Arbitration Forum – Commercial Panel
- Chairperson of the Tax Dispute Board for the South African Revenue Service

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## Education

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- BA (Hons) (First Class)
- LLB (Stellenbosch)
- LLM (Aberdeen, Scotland)
- PgDL, PgDLP (Inns of Court School of Law, London)
- Bar Vocational Course (Very competent, Outstanding in Advocacy)

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## Publications and Lectures

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- The Abuse of Dominance in South African Competition Law – University of Cape Town
- Good Faith in Construction Contracts – Pinsent Masons/ Keating Chambers Inaugural African Conference
- The Foundation of the Chinese African Joint Arbitration Forum (CAJAC) in London and Dubai (for Keating Chambers)
- Dispute Resolution in the ICC – Botswana, for the Southern African Development Community law forum
- Certification – for Keating Chambers at a RICS, Society of Construction law Africa event Johannesburg
- International Adjudication – for Keating Chambers, in Botswana, on invitation of the Chartered Institute for Arbitrators
- Dispute Resolution in Construction Law – on invitation for the Arbitration Foundation of South Africa
- For AFSA Construction Committee - lecture on aspects of Construction law
- Undue Influence and Certification – For the SCL Africa in Johannesburg
- Lecturer on an Arbitration Course for AFSA
- Lecture on the interpretation of Construction contracts for the University of Pretoria

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## Memberships

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International Society of Construction Law

African Society of Construction Law

North American Society for Construction Law

Member of the SADC Law Forum

Member of the Executive Construction Committee of AFSA (currently tasked with drafting new rules for domestic arbitrations)

Former Member of the Executive Committee of the South African Tuna Association (advised on International allocation of catch quotas and general legislation)

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## Languages

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English

Afrikaans

Latin

Xhosa

Read and understand German

Read and understand Dutch and Flemish

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## Other Interests

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I am passionate about agriculture and development in sustainable food production. I enjoy fishing, hunting, boxing and cycling and I am a passionate rugby fan.