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Ana Paula Montans is an associate at Derains & Gharavi and has intervened in arbitration proceedings conducted under the auspices, *inter alia*, of the International Court of Arbitration of the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC), the International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID), as well as in *ad hoc* proceedings.

Ana Paula is qualified to practice in Brazil, where she obtained her Bachelor of Law Degree. She obtained a Masters Degree and a D.S.U. in Private International Law and International Commercial Law at the University of Paris II. She also obtained a Postgraduate Degree in International Litigation at the University of Paris XII.

Ana Paula has been Assistant Editor of the *Revista Brasileira de Arbitragem* (Brazilian Arbitration Review) since November 2009.

Ana Paula intervenes in proceedings conducted in Portuguese, English and French.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Associate (2010) at Derains & Gharavi (Paris, France), where she has intervened in several arbitration proceedings, for example:
 - ICC arbitration between an American company and a Brazilian company in the road construction industry;
 - ICC arbitration between an individual and a European company for misrepresentation and nonpayment of commissions in relation to an agency agreement for the construction of a nuclear plant;
 - ICC arbitration between a European company and a Middle Eastern company relating to a construction contract of an MDF plant;
 - ICSID arbitration between a US investor and Ukraine initiated pursuant to a bilateral investment treaty for breach of fair and equitable treatment against an investment in the radio industry;
 - Administrative Secretary of Arbitral Tribunals.

- Intern (2008), Castaldi Mourre & Partners, International Arbitration Department (Paris, France)
- Associate (2006-2007) Castro & Lee - Sociedade de Advogados (Curitiba - Brazil), Arbitration and Business Law Department, where she has acted, for example:
 - Advising companies regarding Brazilian Commercial and Tax law;
 - Drafting of commercial contracts;
 - *Ad hoc* arbitration between Brazilian companies regarding a construction contract;
 - Arbitration between Brazilian companies regarding a franchise contract, under the Rules of the Arbitration and Mediation Center of the Parana Chamber of Commerce (ARBITAC).
- Admitted to the Brazilian Bar (2006)

EDUCATION

- Postgraduate Degree in International Litigation (*Diplôme Universitaire – Contentieux International des Affaires*), University of Paris XII Val de Marne, 2009-2010.
- Masters Degree in Private International Law and International Commercial Law (*Master 2 Recherche – Droit International Privé et du Commerce International*), University of Paris II Panthéon-Assas, 2008-2009.
Memoire: “*The effects of the arbitration award vis-à-vis third parties under French and Brazilian law*”
- Postgraduate Degree in Private International Law and International Commercial Law (*Diplôme Supérieur d’Université*), University of Paris II Panthéon-Assas, 2007-2008.
- Bachelor of Law Degree, University of Curitiba, Brazil (2006).

MEMBERSHIPS

- *Comité Brasileiro de Arbitragem – CBAr*

LANGUAGES

- Portuguese, mother tongue
- English, fluent
- French, fluent
- Spanish, intermediate