



Vidar Johnsen

Partner

Vidar Johnsen primarily works with contract law, specializing in construction projects, particularly in infrastructure and the building of roads and railways. He has extensive experience with manufacturing contracts and general contract work for the industry, including process plants and other large projects.

Vidar has significant experience in dispute resolution and regularly handles cases before the courts and in arbitration within his areas of expertise. He is also frequently appointed as an arbitrator in international institutional arbitration.

Vidar works extensively with large foreign companies and associations, and he has broad international experience, including projects in Europe, Africa, Asia, and South America. He is a key contributor to SANDS' focus on large industrial projects and assists numerous companies with comprehensive advice related to complex contractual issues and construction projects.

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Expertise areas

Construction law

Dispute resolution and litigation

Global Construction Desk

Public-Private Partnerships (PPP)

Infrastructure - transport and
signal / purpose building



"Vidar Johnsen – very good in litigation and licensing".

- Client, Legal 500, 2024

Work experience

- 2013–
● SANDS Advokatfirma DA
Partner
- 2006–2013
● Selmer Advokatfirma DA
Non-Equity Partner | Lawyer
- 2000–2006
● Advokatfirmaet Sørliie Wilhelmsen ANS
Lawyer
- 1997–2000
● Christiania Bank og Kreditkasse, corporate legal section
Lawyer
- 1996–1997
● The Norwegian Consumer Council

Legal Adviser

Education

1995

- **University of Oslo**
Cand. jur.

Awards

2020

- **Legal 500**
"A preferred attorney at law for IPR based agreements across jurisdictions."

2024

- **Legal 500**
Recommended lawyer in the category "Construction"