



Krevania Pillay

Senior Associate

Krevania Pillay is a Senior Associate in the Construction & Engineering, and Corporate Investigations Sectors of our Dispute Resolution practice.

She specialises in construction dispute resolution, including adjudication, arbitration and litigation proceedings. She has advised and represented public and private sector clients in relation to the FIDIC, JBCC and GCC construction and engineering contracts, including negotiating complex settlements.

She also specialises in local and cross border corporate investigations relating to procurement irregularities, fraud, corruption, money laundering, B-BBEE fronting and working with law enforcement authorities to provide co-operation in criminal matters.

Practice areas

Dispute Resolution


Sectors

Corporate Investigations
Construction & Engineering
Technology & Communications

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Career

Krevania was previously employed at Hogan Lovells (SA) Inc as an Associate in the Investigations, White-Collar Crime and Fraud and Commercial Litigation Departments (from August 2016 to April 2018). Krevania was appointed Senior Associate in 2022.

Experience

Construction and Engineering

- Assisted a multinational energy and chemical company in adjudication proceedings in respect of a multi-million ZAR dispute in terms of a NEC3 Construction Contract.
- Assisted a prominent South African public entity in complex settlement negotiations in respect of a multi-million ZAR dispute in terms of a JBCC Construction Contract resulting in the successful conclusion of a termination agreement.
- Assisted a prominent South African parastatal in various adjudication, arbitration and litigation proceedings to pursue product liability claims in terms of a NEC3 Construction Contract.



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- Assisted an agency of the City of Johannesburg in various disputes in terms of the General Conditions of Contract, 2015 including claims for retention money and complex settlement negotiations with the Contractor and third parties.
- Assisted a large state-owned entity in litigation proceedings relating to a dispute in terms of the General Conditions of Contract, the JBCC Series 2000 Principal Building Agreement (Edition 4.1 of March 2005) relating to damages for the replacement contract value consequent to the Contractor's default.

Corporate Investigations

Notable Investigations

- Conducted an investigation into allegations of money laundering committed by various high profile politically exposed persons involving a multinational entity in the real estate sector. The work involved a review of information relating to the transactions, internal policies and applicable legislation at the time of the transactions, analysing evidence, leading interviews with persons of interest and preparing a report on the findings.
- Assisted an information and communications technology company (listed on the Johannesburg Stock Exchange) with a highly sensitive investigation into allegations of collusion, the leak of confidential and proprietary information and solicitation of clients by former senior employees. The work involved a review of information, analysing voluminous digital evidence including laptop and email profiles of the relevant former employees, providing ongoing litigation support and preparing a report on the findings.
- Assisted with an investigation into allegations of bribery and corruption, pertaining to the receipt of gifts and hospitality, by a senior employee of a state-owned entity. The work involved conducting interviews with persons of interest, monitoring South African media reports, analysing evidence and preparing a report on the findings.
- Conducted an investigation into allegations of bribery, fraud and procurement irregularities committed by a senior employee in a multinational oil and gas company. The work involved a review of information, internal policies and applicable legislation, analysing evidence including laptop and cellular phone data, leading interviews with persons of interest and preparing a report on the findings.
- Assisted with an investigation into allegations of procurement irregularities committed by a senior employee of a multinational telecommunications company. The work involved a review of data, conducting interviews with persons of interest, analysing evidence and preparing a report on the findings.
- Conducted an investigation for a state-owned entity relating to fraud and procurement irregularities in relation to the award of a ZAR41 million tender, instituting legal proceedings on behalf of the entity to review and set aside the award of the tender and assisting with registering a criminal case for investigation by the South African Police Service. The work involved a review of information, internal policies and applicable legislation, analysing evidence, preparing a report on the findings and instituting legal proceedings.
- Conducted an investigation for a large South African Non-Profit Organisation relating to fraud, lack of governance and procurement. The work involved a review of internal policies, conducting interviews with persons of interest, analysing evidence and preparing a report on the findings.



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- Assisted prominent South African property funds and property owners, in regard to their responses to and engagements with their insurers in relation to their claims submitted against the business interruption policy extensions of the insurance. The claims related to the loss of rental income sustained as a result of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. The work involved performing extensive investigations to source and collate data and statistics of confirmed COVID-19 cases in various provinces occurring within a 50km radius of the insured premises (as required by the policies), analysing the information and preparing a report of the findings.
- Assisted with an investigation conducted into alleged employee misconduct relating to a highly publicized incident of alleged racism contained in 'viral' video. The work involved a review of internal policies, conducting interviews with persons of interest, analysing evidence and preparing a report on the findings.
- Assisted with investigations into allegations of sexual harassment committed by senior employees of a mining company and a mining company service provider, respectively. The work involved a review of data, conducting interviews with persons of interest, analysing evidence and preparing reports on the findings.

Anti Bribery Compliance and Advisory

- Assisted a multinational mining company with a global review of internal policies and procedures to ensure compliance with international anti-bribery and corruption legislation, including cross border investigations in Ghana and Mali. The work involved a review of internal policies, leading interviews with senior employees, analyzing evidence and preparing reports on the findings.
- Assisted an Italian multinational renewable energy corporation with a compliance review of its anti-bribery policies and procedures to ensure compliance with South African anti-bribery and corruption legislation.
- Assisted a financial institution to compile a response to a Commission of Inquiry's request for various highly confidential and sensitive information and documentation pertaining to its clients. The work involved the preparation of a comprehensive response including collating voluminous confidential transactional information.
- Advised a multinational corporation, in the information technology sector, in relation to an internal investigation into allegations of fraud, procurement irregularities and conflicts of interest. The allegations pertained to the procurement of various service providers by a former senior finance employee. The work involved performing background searches on individuals and entities of interest, providing legal advice in relation to various criminal offences as well as advising on the duty to report in terms of section 34 of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act 12 of 2004 and preparing a report on the findings.
- Assisted a licensed financial services provider with reporting suspected illegal activities in respect of a fraudulent debit order scheme to the Financial Services Board. The work involved a review of information, assisting the client with registering a criminal case with the South African Police Service relating to money laundering and racketeering in terms of the Prevention of Organized Crime Act No 121 of 1998 and performing a watching brief on the criminal investigation.
- Assisted numerous clients with registering criminal cases as well as fulfilling their reporting obligations in terms of section 34 of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act No 12 of 2004.

Anti-Bribery and Corruption / Integrity Due Diligences



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- Assisted with an anti-bribery due diligence exercise on foreign entities for a large listed entity relating to a multi-million USD disposal of equity in a foreign country
- Assisted with numerous anti-bribery due diligence exercises on local entities and individuals as part of greater due-diligence exercises. The work involved conducting background searches including searches relating to politically exposed persons, adverse media reports, sanctions and watchlists and preparing reports on the findings

Education

- LLB Degree, University of Pretoria
- Year of Admission: 2014
- Presently studying toward the Certified Fraud Examiner (CFE) qualification
- Registered with the Legal Practice Council

Memberships

- Associate member of the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners (ACFE) International

Languages

English



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