

Dispute Advisory Services

South Africa

FTI Consulting synthesizes financial, competitive and industry information to help clients unravel challenging financial and economic issues in commercial disputes.

Our experienced global team provides valuable insight and clarity, helping clients during every stage of a contested matter, from early case assessment and discovery to case strategy, damages analysis and settlement services including digital evidence management and presentation thereof. Our senior professionals are highly skilled at communicating our findings through expert testimony in various judicial forums, including civil and criminal courts, commissions of inquiry, internal hearings and the like, as well as in arbitration and mediation proceedings.



Our experts regularly leverage their data and analytical skills for clients in conflicts that involve money laundering, patent disputes, employment matters, cross-border trading, arbitration, big data and complex commercial disputes.

Arbitration

The accounting, economics and finance specialists on our global arbitration team have extensive experience in valuation and damages quantification in the context of treaty and commercial arbitration. FTI Consulting experts clearly and concisely substantiate damages calculations with written reports and expert testimony.

Our arbitration specialists regularly testify in treaty and commercial arbitrations before major international bodies, including the ICC, LCIA, SCC, ICDR, ICSID (including NAFTA and ECT disputes), and the Iran-U.S. Claims Tribunal, as well as ad hoc arbitrations through local arbitration bodies, domestic courts and tribunals.

Litigation Support

From discovery to settlement, we work with clients involved in court cases, arbitration tribunals and administrative hearings to develop the strongest possible litigation strategy.

From early case assessment through to trial, our experienced professionals provide practical, hands-on experience that helps unravel the complexities of a situation to develop a solid litigation strategy.

Our early case assessment involves collaboration with in-house and external as opposed to outside counsel, senior management and our professionals to identify and implement cost-effective strategies and make an initial evaluation of potential damages or exposure. This early review helps reduce discovery costs and prepare for litigation or settlement negotiations.

Expert Testimony

FTI Consulting provides access to a prestigious team with both in-the-field and in-the-courtroom experience including digitally manage and present evidence in accounting, finance, economics, valuation, computer forensics and fraud investigation. Our experts analyze financial records, develop damages claims, critique opposition expert reports, assist with witness preparation, perform analyses, and provide expert witness testimony. FTI Consulting has extensive experience presenting and defending its expert conclusions and opinions in depositions and trial testimony.

The expert testimony team offers a range of specialized services, including:

- Analysis of financial records and business conduct
- Assistance in developing and responding to discovery requests
- Critiques of opposing expert analyses
- Financial advice in the settlement process
- Support for witness preparations
- Preparation of expert opinions, affidavits and reports
- Formulation of deposition questions
- Research on relevant economic, industry and market data

Our Unique Strengths



Internationally recognised leaders in forensic investigations



Ability to swiftly deploy teams anywhere in the region or the world to conduct a complete investigation

“We turn the right expert into a practical solution.”



Integrated, multi-disciplinary team with a mix of specialist skills and industry expertise



Multi-lingual capabilities, with over 20 languages spoken



Innovative use of technology to streamline the investigation process



In-depth experience acting on pan-African and multijurisdictional investigations



Commercial, pragmatic approach focused on what's best for the client

Our Experience in Africa

Africa Cross-border dispute

We were mandated by a client to assist with the quantification of losses suffered due to premature cancellation of a contract it had with the Government of an African country regarding an established cross-border business activity. The matter went to arbitration and the ruling, in favour of our client, was that the cancellation was irregular. The client asked us to assist with the determination of the quantum of losses suffered as a consequence. Our report was presented and accepted and damages were awarded to the value determined by FTI.

Investigation of JV costs

FTI Consulting advised an oil major in relation to costs in excess of a billion dollars incurred in a joint venture in which it has an interest. The exercise involved assessing the costs for reasonableness, investigating circumstances of apparent overspend, and verifying that the apportionment of costs between that and other projects in the region had been correctly calculated.

FTI Consulting has offices in Cape Town and Stellenbosch, which are home to our Forensic & Litigation Investigations, Economic & Financial Consulting, Business Transformation, Corporate Finance and Strategic Communications teams.

And with offices in 29 major financial centres across the globe, we successfully serve clients wherever and whenever challenges and opportunities arise.

FTI Consulting Awards

WVL Award :
Arbitration Expert Firm of the Year 2015 - 2018



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