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Maya is an associate in the International Trade group.



Industries

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English

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Georgetown University Law Center, LL.M.

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Client Work

Export Controls and Economic Sanctions

Maya advises both US and non-US clients on how to comply with and understand US laws and regulations related to the export and re-exports of goods, software, services, and technology. In particular, Maya advises clients on the complexities of the Export Administration Regulations (EAR), International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR), the Office of Information and Communications Technology and Services (OICTS), and the Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) sanctions and embargoes.

Maya's practice thus far has focused on:

- Assisting clients file advisory opinion requests before the Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS)
- Responding to subpoenas issued by various government agencies
- Assisting clients submit comments in ICTS rulemaking proceedings
- Advising clients on the application of the OICTS Rule on Connected Vehicles
- Assisting clients file license requests before OFAC
- Assisting clients file OFAC voluntary disclosures

International Arbitration & Dispute Resolution

Maya's practice focuses on international arbitration and dispute resolution, including the representation of sovereign states and investors before international tribunals such as the World Bank's International Centre for the Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID), the Permanent Court of Arbitration (PCA), and the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC).

Current active matters include the representation of a Canadian investor in a tax dispute brought

against Mexico under the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), Chinese investors against the Kingdom of Cambodia under the China-ASEAN Free Trade Agreement, Israeli investors against a Southern African State, and a Southeast Asian State in an ICC infrastructure dispute.

Previous Work

Prior to returning to ArentFox Schiff, Maya worked at a boutique complex litigation firm in New York City.

Publications, Presentations & Recognitions

Publications

- [Guide on International & Regional Standards](#), Cyrus R. Vance Center for International Justice (Oct. 2024)
- [Next-Generation Approaches to Trade and Development](#), *Chapter 13*, Center on Inclusive Trade and Development (Dec 4. 2023)
- [Handbook on Provisions and Options for Trade Agreements](#), United Nations Handbook, (Apr. 13, 2023)
- Balancing Public Health and Intellectual Property Rights: The Impact of the EU Nutrition and Health Claims Regulation on Trademarks in the Weight Loss Industry, 14(2) EFFL, (2020)
- [Re-conceptualizing Free Trade Agreements](#), United Nations Policy Hackathon Winner (Aug. 2020)

Recognitions

- Recipient of Vance Center's 2025 International Pro Bono Excellence Award (2025)

Life Beyond the Law

Maya enjoys enjoys practicing yoga and pilates.

Bar Admissions

[District of Columbia](#)

[New York](#)