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Amjad is a co-founder and the managing partner of Afridi & Angell. He heads the firm's banking and financial services practice and advises on both conventional and Shari'a compliant transactions. He represents the firm's international and local clients including banks and leading multinationals as well as private equity firms, in banking, financial, and corporate transactions in Dubai and abroad. He also represents clients in relation to investments in the GCC, US, UK, and India.

Amjad acts for several banks and borrowers in major restructurings of debt. He's also been involved in launching various banking related products and services in the UAE including the Direct Debit System introduced by the UAE Central Bank in the fourth quarter of 2013.

He has also been involved in several project finance transactions and in the setting up of industrial projects in the UAE. He was involved in a transaction for the construction of a shopping mall which was one of the first syndicated project finance transactions after the 2008 financial crisis. He was also involved in a transaction involving the construction of an oil storage tank.

In addition to his banking practice, Amjad has considerable experience advising private equity firms on cross border acquisitions. He has advised clients on private placements, management buy-outs and sale of business, and has advised clients extensively on cross border and GCC-wide acquisitions and divestitures.

Publications

- Co-author of *The Banking Regulation Review*, Law Business Research, 2010-2014 (UAE Chapter)
- Co-author of *Company Directors 2012* (UAE chapter)
- *Private Equity 2011*, PLC Cross-border Handbook
- *Shareholders' Rights*, European Lawyer Reference Series, 2011
- Co-author of *New penalties for financial fraud*, International Briefings, UAE, IFLR, March 2010

Areas of Practice

- Banking and Financial Services
- Acquisitions and Private Equity
- Infrastructure and Project Finance
- Corporate and Commercial

Admissions and Affiliations

- New York State Bar Association
- Punjab Bar Council
- International Bar Association

Education

- LL.M., Boalt Hall School of Law, University of California, Berkeley, 1982
- LL.B., Punjab University Law College, Lahore, Pakistan, 1979

Languages

- English
- Urdu

- Co-author of *PLC Cross-border Finance Handbook: Taking Security in Finance Transactions*, 2009 & 2010 (UAE Chapter)
- *Health Insurance for Expatriates in Abu Dhabi*, Insurance and Re-insurance Who's Who, Corporate INTL, February 2010
- International Fraud, Investigations and Asset Tracing, edited by Herbert Smith, 2008 (UAE Chapter)
- Co-author of *Dubai Silicon Oasis*, Arab Regional Forum News (IBA Legal Division), December 2005
- Co-author of *Insurance Companies*, Arab Regional Forum News (IBA Legal Division), December 2005

Presentations and Seminars

- Moderator, *Regional Bank Lending*, Syndicated Lending Middle East - Financing & Re-financing in a New Era, Dubai, 28-29 January 2014
- Panelist, *Are Sukuk the Next Eurobond? Outlook for the Sukuk Market for 2014 - Opportunities, Risks and Challenges*, Global Islamic Economy Summit, Madinat Jumeirah, Dubai, 25-26 November 2013
- *Impact of Mandatory Distribution under Shariah Principles of Inheritance Law on Private Client Structures*, Client Symposium Middle East, November 2009
- *Forming Alliances and Partnerships - the Indigenous Law Firm Perspective, Business Development in the Middle East*, The Lawyer Conferences, Dubai, April 2009
- *Establishing and Marketing Investment Funds in the Six Gulf Cooperation Council States*, IBA 20th Annual Conference on the Globalisation of Investment Funds, May 2009
- *Common Legal Issues of Incoming and Outbound Investments from the U.A.E.*, April 2008
- *Estate Planning for U.A.E. Investments: Use of Insurance as a Tool for Estate Planning*, 3rd Middle East Tax and Trust Training Programme, Dubai, January 2007
- *Private Equity and Real Estate Investment in the U.A.E.: Relevance of Shari'a law*, 2nd Annual Middle East Tax and Trust Training Programme, February 2006
- *Money Laundering Laws and Regulations in the Gulf Cooperation Council States*, May 2005

Honours and Awards

- *Consistently recognised as one of the 'Leaders in their Field' in Banking and Finance, Islamic Finance, Corporate/Commercial (United Arab Emirates)*, **Chambers Global**
- *"Amjad Ali Khan really cares about the implications and takes a long-term view - we don't hesitate to contact him." Described as "simply outstanding."*, **Chambers Global 2013**
- *"Clients continually praise Dubai partner Amjad Ali Khan as "professionally proficient, courteous and contactable for urgent matters." His excellent attention to detail makes him a main choice for complex issues."*, **Chambers Global 2013**
- *"Amjad Ali Khan is another favourite of clients and peers. He has an active transactional practice and is "excellent - very professional and attentive."*, **Chambers Global 2012**