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Tamir, who is admitted to practice in Switzerland, Israel and in the State of New York, has more than 20 years' experience representing corporations, regulated entities, private equity and venture capital funds as well as high-net-worth individuals on the resolution of complex disputes involving commercial relationships, defamation and regulatory matters, with a particular focus on the banking, post-M&A, commodities, construction, crypto and sports sectors, both in state-court litigation and international arbitration. Further, Tamir has extensive expertise in representing clients in judicial assistance procedures and in the context of regulatory or criminal enforcement proceedings driven by domestic and foreign authorities, including the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ), the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and the U.S. Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC).

Tamir is consistently ranked as a leading practitioner in litigation and arbitration by Chambers Global and Chambers Europe, Legal 500, Lexology Index (formerly Who's Who Legal) and Best Lawyers. He was awarded «Litigation Lawyer of the Year» by Legalcommunity Switzerland in 2023, 2024 and 2026, and is listed among the top 10 most influential litigators in Switzerland by «Business Today».

Career

2023	Partner, 5Gambit Disputes, Zurich, Switzerland
2016	Partner, Niederer Kraft Frey, Zurich, Switzerland
2009	Associate/Senior Associate in the Dispute Resolution Practice of Niederer Kraft Frey, Zurich, Switzerland
2005	Associate in the cross border transactions team of Goldfarb Levy Eran (now Goldfarb Gross Seligman), Tel Aviv, Israel
2001	Law clerk in the District Court of Meilen, Canton of Zurich, Switzerland

Education

2010	Admitted to the New York Bar
2009	LL.M. New York University School of Law, New York
2009	Advanced Professional Certificate in Law & Business, Leonard N. Stern School of Business, New York University, New York
2006	Admitted to the Israel Bar
2004	Admitted to the Zurich Bar
2001	Licence in Law (lic. iur.), University of Fribourg

Languages

- German
- English
- French
- Italian
- Hebrew
- Russian

Admissions

- Zurich (including all Swiss courts)
- Israel
- New York

Market Perception

Rankings in international directories include the following:

- «Tamir Livschitz is a great arbitration strategist and attorney. He is definitely a great mind in the Swiss arbitration scene. He is innovative, creative and knows the law very well.» (Legal 500 2026)
- «Tamir Livschitz is a highly experienced arbitration specialist and a powerful advocate, with the ability to articulate his views with clarity and conviction. Tamir has an exceptional talent for breaking down complex matters into digestible parts, making the core issues clear and easy to address. His mind is razor-sharp, his approach uncompromising. A true fighter and undoubtedly one of the go-to lawyers for complex disputes. Working with him is always a pleasure.» (Legal 500 2026)
- «Tamir Livschitz and Anja Vogt are the best litigation lawyers ever. We work a lot with them. Smart, deep sense for complex technology, understand the politics of corporate disputes. Fast and strategic.» (Legal 500 2026)
- «We have worked extensively with Tamir Livschitz, and he is all-around superb. He is highly capable, responsive and a true professional in every respect.» (Chambers Europe 2026)
- «He demonstrates strong judgement, clarity and effectiveness in navigating challenging issues.» (Chambers Europe 2026)
- «Tamir is an extraordinary thinker who always puts his clients first. He is deal-oriented, strategy-focused and truly compelling.» (Chambers Global 2026)
- «Tamir Livschitz stands out for his strategic thinking, discretion and deep expertise.» (Chambers Global 2026)
- «Tamir Livschitz is a strong litigator with great expertise and knowledge. He protects the interests of his clients.» (Chambers Global 2026)
- «Tamir Livschitz is an extremely sharp litigator.» (Chambers Global 2026)
- «We have worked extensively with Tamir Livschitz, and he is all-around superb. He is highly capable, responsive and a true professional in every respect.» (Chambers Global 2026)
- «Tamir Livschitz is a very tough negotiator who says things exactly as they are.» (Chambers Global 2026)
- «He demonstrates strong judgement, clarity and effectiveness in navigating challenging issues.» (Chambers Global 2026)
- «He is highly responsive, pragmatic and always focused on aligning his legal advice with the broad business considerations.» (Chambers Global 2026)

- «Tamir Livschitz is a great litigator. He is super fast, pragmatic and clients like him because he can play different roles.» (Chambers Global 2025)
- «Tamir Livschitz is very good at looking several steps ahead to where things might go, thereby helping manage client expectations and helping them to make good, strategic decisions.» (Chambers Global 2025)
- «Tamir Livschitz is a tough but fair litigator.» (Chambers Global 2025)
- «Tamir Livschitz is a great strategic mind and brilliant litigator. He is an asset to any complex litigation team and really helps to see the forest for the trees and to charter a clear path forward.» (Chambers Global 2025)
- «Impressive team with high-quality lawyers and an extraordinary ability to simplify highly complex matters.» (Legal 500 2025)
- «5Gambit Disputes stands out for its in-depth knowledge of the case, attention to the detail and hard work.» (Legal 500 2025)
- «The team is result-oriented and innovative with unparalleled expertise in the field of international arbitration. 5Gambit merges individual talents to build a team that delivers extraordinary results. They are sharp, bold and always deliver quality services.» (Legal 500 2025)
- «Tamir is an excellent advocate. He has a very pragmatic approach and looks for the best solution for clients.» (Chambers Global 2024)
- «He is thorough and sharp in his observations, has an excellent grasp of the issue and is very quick to get to the heart of any case.» (Chambers Global 2024)
- «Tamir is highly intelligent and committed, and able to present the best arguments for a case orally as well as in writing. Tamir knows each case inside out and has an exceptionally fast and sharp legal mind.» (Chambers Global 2024)
- «He gets the client to think about strategy. He is more direct, more for clients that need someone who gets to the point quickly and sharply.» (Chambers Global 2024)
- «He has very good legal and tactical skills, is easy to work with and defends the client's interests very well.» (Chambers Global 2023)
- «I would always recommend Tamir Livschitz.» (Chambers Global 2023)
- «Tamir is a genuine specialist in arbitration. He is extremely bright, quick and concise and exceptional at identifying the key points of a case. Tamir is a tenacious but fair advocate that really rolls up his sleeves. He is a true fighter for his clients.» (Legal 500 2023)
- «Tamir Livschitz is a compelling advocate, extremely tough and always very sharp in his observations. He has an excellent grasp of the issue and is very quick to get to the heart of any case. Tamir has an excellent legal and strategic mind and is analytically on top of legal issues. He is proactive and clear and provides completely on-point advice.» (Legal 500 2023)
- «Tamir Livschitz is an extremely bright arbitration practitioner, with extensive experience in the fields of international arbitration. He is razor-sharp, focused and unflappable. Tamir has superb judgement and an excellent grasp of the law, and is very thorough in his approach.» (Legal 500 2023)
- «Tamir Livschitz is firm, super bright and exceptionally efficient. Tamir has an outstanding flair for advocacy and an admirable no-nonsense approach, he always gives very clear advice. He is fantastic to work with.» (Legal 500 2023)
- «The litigation team of NKF benefits from the large and strong client base of the firm which makes it very experienced. The team leader, Tamir Livschitz, is well connected in the Swiss industry and beyond. The team is exceptionally knowledgeable, fast and international.» (Legal 500 2023)
- «Tamir Livschitz—one of the smartest lawyers ever. Very professional in his attitude, delivers faster than the most demanding client would expect.» (Legal 500 2023)
- «He is a very skilful attorney who knows how to focus on the key facts. He really fights for the interests of his client and has very good international expertise.» (Chambers Global 2022)
- «Tamir Livschitz has excellent cross-border expertise. His advocacy is absolutely top notch. He speaks seven languages and handles highly complex cases with an impressive ease.» (Chambers Insight Report 2022)

- «Tamir is always on top of his game. He knows each case inside out, has an extraordinary eye for details and an exceptionally fast and sharp legal and analytical mind. Tamir's advice is practical and decisive. Tamir has a true fighting spirit and is fierce and straightforward in defending his clients' interests. He tells you how it is.» (Legal 500 2022)
- «Tamir is an extraordinarily capable expert in litigation and international arbitration. He has a razor-sharp intellect and is an outstandingly skilful, clear and confident advocate. Tamir has an exceptional sense of priorities in terms of presenting persuasive arguments on the issues. His legal arguments are excellent, his manner is firm and he is a tenacious fighter for his clients. Tamir always delivers.» (Legal 500 2022)
- «Tamir Livschitz has a ‹good judgement and a pragmatic approach,› says one source, before adding: ‹His advocacy is truly outstanding.›» (Chambers Global 2021)
- «Tamir Livschitz is a talented and skilful lawyer who knows how to concentrate on the key facts. He really fights for the interests of his client.» (Legal 500 2021—Litigation)
- «Tamir Livschitz is an excellent and forthright arbitration practitioner with a great legal and strategic acumen. He is very precise and outstandingly good at finding creative and pragmatic solutions to problems. He has an excellent knowledge of arbitration law and has been successfully tested in practice many times.» (Legal 500 2021—Arbitration)
- «Tamir Livschitz is widely respected as ‹an up-and-coming practitioner› who demonstrates ‹a deep knowledge of institutional arbitration rules as counsel›». (Who's Who Legal 2021)
- «Clients underline his ‹good analysis, provision on insights and excellent conduct in hearings.›» (Chambers Global 2019)
- «‹Stellar advocate› Tamir Livschitz is a ‹thoughtful strategist› who delivers ‹utmost client care›». (Legal 500 2019) «Tamir Livschitz is ‹internationally minded› and possesses ‹remarkable advocacy skills›». (Legal 500 2018) «Highly capable» Tamir Livschitz is recommended. (Legal 500 2018)
- «Tamir Livschitz is ‹well experienced in both litigation and arbitration› and garners further praise from sources for being ‹quick to come up with a convincing strategy› and ‹solution-oriented and effective›.» (Chambers Global 2018)
- «He is described by sources as ‹an energetic lawyer with excellent language skills.›» (Chambers Global 2017) «Tamir Livschitz has ‹remarkable advocacy skills› and ‹very good tactical skills›». (Legal 500 2017)
- «He's attentive to details, client-oriented and firm when it comes to sensitive issues.» (Chambers Global 2016)
- «Arbitration counsel Tamir Livschitz wins praise for his outstanding knowledge of the law and thorough and clever representation of the client's position.» (Chambers Global 2015)

Recent experience

The following is a selection of Tamir's activity:

- Representation of a Swiss domiciled bank in money laundering enforcement proceedings commenced by the Swiss Financial Market Supervisory Authority (FINMA)
- Representation of a member of the board of directors of a Swiss domiciled entity in relation to proceedings and action taken by the United States Department of Justice
- Representation of an individual in enforcement matters pertaining to 1MDB
- Representation of top management of a reputable Swiss bank in regulatory proceedings vis-a-vis the Swiss Financial Market Supervisory Authority (FINMA)
- Representation of an entity with global operations in large scale criminal proceedings conducted in various jurisdictions, including criminal investigations conducted by the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ)
- Representation of a global sports entity in numerous domestic and foreign proceedings, including criminal investigations conducted by the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ)
- Representation of several ultra-high-net-worth individuals and entities vis-à-vis the U.S. Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) in efforts to avoid future designations of such individuals and entities by OFAC under different executive orders or advocate a delisting of such individuals and entities

- Representation of a globally leading renewable energy provider in an ICC arbitration commenced by its contractual counterparty related to one of the largest European pump storage power plant projects in Europe
- Representation of a listed Belgian foam producer in a Swiss Rules arbitration against its Austrian joint venture partner
- Representation of a minority shareholder and former board member in a dispute against a listed European travel agent corporation
- Representation of one of the largest Georgian mining companies in a high-stakes litigation against its Swiss domiciled contractual partner
- Representation of a European energy supply products producer before the Swiss Federal Supreme Court in matters pertaining to the Vienna Convention
- Representation of shareholders of a large Spanish construction company in an ICC arbitration brought by a Turkish counterparty
- Representation of sellers of a Swiss company in a post-M&A litigation against the purchaser of the company
- President of an arbitral tribunal in ICC proceedings between Finnish and Russian parties seated in Finland
- Representation of a Hong Kong domiciled corporation in its Swiss Rules Arbitration against a Swiss domiciled company listed on the SIX stock exchange
- Representation of an English supply company in its dispute with a reputable Italian fashion company
- Representation of a Taiwanese corporation listed on the Thai Stock Exchange in a dispute against its German supplier
- Sole arbitrator in ICC proceedings seated in Israel
- Representation of defendants in multi-party dispute commenced before the Commercial Court in London
- Party appointed arbitrator in ICC proceedings between Liechtenstein, BVI and English parties seated in Switzerland
- Representation of Spanish parties in ICC proceedings seated in Switzerland commenced by their Turkish joint venture party in a hydroelectric plant dispute
- Representation of a globally active entity in a Swiss Rules arbitration proceeding concerning an agency dispute
- Representation of a global market leader in its industry in a Swiss Rules arbitration proceeding relating to a contractual dispute with a marketing company
- Representation of a Georgian commodities company in its dispute with a Swiss domiciled commodities trader
- Representation of a Swiss domiciled entity in its D&O insurance claim against one of the world's largest insurance syndicates
- Representation of Swiss clients in proceedings brought against them before the High Court of Justice, Commercial Court, London
- Representation of a French entity in an ICC arbitration seated in Lugano, Switzerland
- Party appointed arbitrator in a DIS arbitration seated in Germany
- Representation of shareholders in a large post-M&A litigation in the pharmaceutical industry
- Representation of a Slovenian company and its Swiss subsidiary in their litigation against a Swiss energy provider
- Sole arbitrator in a multi-party ICC arbitration proceeding seated in Israel
- Representation of a Swiss association in a Swiss Rules arbitration proceeding against its Guatemaltecan contractor
- Representation of a Russian construction company in a Swiss Rules arbitration proceeding against its German sub-contractor
- Representation of an English company in an ad hoc arbitration proceeding seated in Singapore against its Singapore counterparty
- Representation of a Hong Kong commodities trading company in a Swiss Rules arbitration proceeding against its Swiss supplier
- Representation of a Swiss manufacturer in various ICC arbitration proceedings vis-à-vis its commercial partners
- Representation of a Liechtenstein Foundation in its Swiss Rules arbitration against a Russian lending company
- Representation of a publicly listed Greek entity in its ICC arbitration against a Belarus sub-contractor

- Entrepreneurs in the anti-virus software sector in their sale of their Swiss company to an international software group
- Swiss bank in the context of legal opinions relating to bank financing transactions
- Continuous advice of Swiss entity in its global high value licensing activity
- Advice of Swiss non-profit organisation in the bidding process connected with the hosting of major sports events

Professional Memberships

- Swiss Bar Association
- Zurich Bar Association
- Israel Bar Association
- New York State Bar Association
- New York City Bar Association
- Swiss Arbitration Association
- International Bar Association

Publications

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