

## WIPO LIST OF NEUTRALS

### BIOGRAPHICAL DATA

Dr. Owen H. DEAN  
Spoor & Fisher  
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South Africa



Nationality: South African

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### EDUCATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

LLD., University of Stellenbosch, South Africa, 1989;  
LLB., University of Stellenbosch, South Africa, 1966;  
B.A., (Law), University of Stellenbosch, South Africa, 1964.

Admitted as Attorney, South Africa, Namibia and Botswana.

Served as a member of the international editorial boards of "Copyright World" and "Entertainment Law Review".

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### LANGUAGES

English – spoken, written and oral comprehension.

Dutch – spoken and oral comprehension.

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### PRESENT POSITION

Senior Partner, Spoor and Fisher (leading Specialist IP law firms in South Africa), in charge of the firm's trade marks and copyright practice.

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### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE BEFORE PRESENT POSITION

Served on the S.A. Government's Advisory Committee on Intellectual Property for twenty years;  
Chairman of the Copyright Sub-Committee of above-mentioned Committee;  
Former President of the South African Institute of Intellectual Property Law;  
Practiced as specialist IP attorney for thirty years.

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### AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Trade mark and copyright law, with a special emphasis on Litigation.

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### MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL BODIES

Member:

International Trade Mark Association (INTA) International Panel of Neutrals;  
ADR Panel of the Arbitration Foundation of South Africa (AFSA).

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### EXPERIENCE IN INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Served on the SA Government's Advisory Committee on Intellectual Property for twenty years.  
Chairman of the Copyright Sub-Committee of above-mentioned Committee.  
Former President of the South African Institute of Intellectual Property Law.

Has appeared as a speaker on intellectual property matters on many occasions at seminars and conferences including at international meetings. Has also lectured on intellectual property law at the University of the Witwatersrand, the University of Cape Town, Rhodes University, University of Stellenbosch, and the Rand Afrikaans University.

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### EXPERIENCE WITH RESPECT TO DOMAIN NAMES

Has handled several trade mark infringement cases retraining use of domain names.

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### MAJOR PUBLICATIONS

Author of "*Handbook of South African Copyright Law*";  
Co-author, "Copyright" in "*Butterworths Forms and Precedents*."

Has written numerous articles which have been published in South African law journals and in international legal journals.

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### EXPERIENCE IN COURT LITIGATION

Has dealt with trade mark infringement, copyright infringement and/or unlawful competition, both in South Africa and internationally over a period of thirty years, in the capacity of attorney. Has handled in excess of one hundred cases in South Africa, one case in Germany, one case in Australia, five cases in Kenya, one case in Belgium, one case in the Netherlands, five cases in Namibia, and three

Cases in Botswana.

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**PROFESSIONAL TRAINING IN MEDIATION**

Has undergone mediators courses conducted by the South African Institute of Intellectual Property Law, and by INTA.

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**EXPERIENCE IN MEDIATION**

Member of the INTA International Panel of Neutrals.

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**PROFESSIONAL TRAINING IN ARBITRATION**

Has had no formal training as an arbitrator.

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**EXPERIENCE IN ARBITRATION**

Member, Panel of Arbitrators for Intellectual Property matters operated by the Arbitration Federation of South Africa (AFSA).

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