

SHORT CURRICULUM VITAE : FRANCOIS PAUL STRYDOM

Date of birth:	25 August 1961
Current age:	62
Gender & Marital status:	Male; married.
Nationality:	South African
Residence:	Johannesburg, South Africa
Academic qualifications:	B.Com. LL.B. LL.M. (<i>cum laude</i>) H. Dip. Tax Law
Professional Career:	Admission as advocate: December 1987; full-time practice since 1993 (30 years)
Nature of Legal Practice:	Commercial & Sports Law
Quasi-judicial appointments:	Arbitrator in several commercial arbitrations; Chairman of Tax Board (deciding tax disputes between SA Revenue Service & taxpayers).

2005 – 2015 (10 years)	Chairman of Chess SA Constitutional & Ethics Committees; author of Chess SA statutes 2005, 2012; Member Chess SA Legal Appeals Board.
2010 – 2014 (4 years)	Secretary of FIDE (International Chess Federation) Constitutional Commission.
2014 – 2018 (4 years)	Chairman of FIDE Ethics Commission.
2018 – current	Chairman of FIDE Ethics & Disciplinary Commission (elected term to endure until August 2024). Member of Task Force appointed to write new FIDE Charter (effective March 2020); Chair of committee to re-write new Ethics & Disciplinary Code (effective April 2022); Member of FIDE Electoral Commission for Presidential elections: August 2022.
Sept 2020 – 2022 (2 years)	Chairman of AIBA / IBA Disciplinary Commission Member of AIBA Elections Committee – 2020 Presidential elections
Apr 2023 - current	Chairman of IBA Boxing Independent Integrity Unit (BIU) Dispute Resolution Chamber (DRC) – an arbitral tribunal empowered to decide boxing related disputes of international dimension, other than disciplinary matters. (elected term to endure until Apr 2027).

Author of two chapters in new sports law handbook – *International Sports Justice* – Editors: Massimo Coccia & Michele Colucci (published by SLPC in Jan 2024):

- “*The Boxing Independent Integrity Unit – A New Regime for Dispute-Resolution in IBA*”
- “*Decision -taking and Dispute-Resolution within the International Chess Federation*”.