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Pittsburgh Opera Announces New Board Member Tarek Abdalla

PITTSBURGH, PA- Pittsburgh Opera proudly announces that Tarek Abdalla has joined its Board of Directors.



Tarek Abdalla is a Partner at law firm Jones Day. Based in the firm's Pittsburgh office, he represents contractors, owners, developers, equipment suppliers, engineers, and architects in major public and private projects in the energy and construction industries including power plants, pipelines, and other energy infrastructure.

Mr. Abdalla has considerable experience with matters involving industrial and manufacturing facilities, municipal infrastructure, roads, bridges, and commercial developments. He has both practiced and lived in the United States and the Middle East.

Tarek has handled arbitrations before the International Chamber of Commerce, the Abu Dhabi Commercial Conciliation and Arbitration Centre, the Dubai International Arbitration Centre, the London Court of International Arbitration, the International Centre for Dispute Resolution, and the American Arbitration Association.

A National Diversity Council 2018 Leadership Excellence Award winner, Tarek lectures frequently on construction and energy topics and has authored articles that have appeared in national and international publications.

After completing his B.A. at <u>Duke University</u>, Mr. Abdalla earned his J.D. from <u>West Virginia University</u>, where he was Lead Articles Editor for the *West Virginia Law Review*, and was elected to the Order of the Barristers for excellence in trial advocacy.

"We are quite pleased that Tarek has joined our Board," says Pittsburgh Opera Board Chair Michele Fabrizi. "He brings a global perspective, a sharp mind, and considerable acumen to Pittsburgh Opera, and we are delighted to have him."

Tarek, his wife Pamela, who is also an attorney, and their children reside in Indiana Township.