

United States Court of Appeals  
for the Fifth Circuit

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No. 25-30107

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Fifth Circuit

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APEX HOSPITALITY GROUP, L.L.C.,

*Plaintiff—Appellee,*

*versus*

INDEPENDENT SPECIALTY INSURANCE COMPANY,

*Defendant—Appellant.*

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Appeal from the United States District Court  
for the Eastern District of Louisiana  
USDC No. 2:23-CV-2060

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Before HAYNES, DUNCAN, and RAMIREZ, *Circuit Judges.*

PER CURIAM:\*

Relying on the Convention on the Recognition and Enforcement of Arbitral Awards (the Convention), a domestic insurer sued seeks to compel an American company to arbitrate a dispute concerning a surplus line insurance policy covering property in Louisiana. During the pendency of this appeal, our court affirmed a district court's application of Louisiana law to a materially identical policy in a factually similar case. *See Town of Vinton v.*

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\* This opinion is not designated for publication. *See 5TH CIR. R. 47.5.*

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*Indian Harbor Ins. Co.*, 161 F.4th 282, 288 (5th Cir. 2025). Like *Town of Vinton*, this case involves a lawsuit against a domestic insurer and does not include the foreign insurer, so that issue is not in play. Accordingly, we must follow that case.

**AFFIRMED.**