

## PRACTICE AREAS

Commercial Litigation and Arbitration  
International Arbitration  
Internal Investigations  
Economic Sanctions and Anti-Corruption

## EDUCATION

Nottingham Law School,  
The Nottingham Trent  
University, GDL and Legal  
Practice Course

University of Cambridge,  
Ph.D

University of Cambridge,  
M. Phil

University of Sydney, B.A.  
(Hons)

## ADMITTED TO PRACTICE

England & Wales  
Solicitor-Advocate with  
Higher Rights of Audience  
(Civil)

## LANGUAGES

English  
French  
Italian  
German

## ATTORNEY PROFILE



### Mark Handley Partner

#### London

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Mark Handley is a Solicitor-Advocate with Higher Rights of Audience (Civil) in England and Wales who specialises in complex cross border litigation and disputes. He leads the London litigation practice.

An experienced litigator, Mr. Handley has appeared frequently before the English High Courts, including the Commercial Court, the Chancery Division, the Technology and Construction Court, the Administrative Court, and the Court of Appeal. He has pleaded in numerous other courts outside the UK, including in the British Virgin Islands, Jersey, the Cayman Islands, Gibraltar and the DIFC as well as in European, Middle Eastern and Asian jurisdictions.

He has considerable experience in civil fraud matters, including asset tracing and recovery, contentious trust disputes, search orders, and asset freezing orders.

Mr. Handley has represented states and state-owned as well as commercial entities in substantive arbitration proceedings under the LCIA, ICC, LMAA Terms and other rules, and is experienced at litigation in support of arbitrations, including freezing orders and anti-suit injunctions. He also has experience of investor-state arbitrations.

His sectoral experience includes oil and gas and other extractives, financial services, infrastructure and construction, and telecoms and media.

Mr. Handley has led numerous internal, regulatory and compliance matters. He has particular experience in the areas of bribery and corruption, anti-money laundering as well as the UK's new "failure to prevent tax evasion" offences. He has presided over a range of internal investigations and advises on contractual provisions and M&A due diligence.

Mr. Handley advises trade associations, corporates and professional services firms on the EU's and UK's financial and trade sanctions. His practice spans EU sanctions on Iran, Russia, Syria, North Korea, and other African and Middle Eastern countries, as well as the EU's anti-US blocking statute.

Recognised for his “breadth of experience with superior case and team management skills”, by the Legal 500 UK, Mr. Handley is an accomplished speaker and a prolific author on sanctions, money-laundering and corruption and Bribery Act prosecutions.

## **COURTS**

DIFC Courts, Dubai  
Abu Dhabi Global Market Court

## **News**

*January 18, 2019*

**Curtis wins clarity for state defendants under the UK’s State Immunity Act in new Commercial Court ruling**

*July 25, 2018*

**New Curtis Partner Mark Handley Featured in Law 360**

*July 17, 2018*

**Curtis Strengthens London Disputes Practice with new Partner, Mark Handley**

## **Publications**

*May 7, 2018*

**Helms-Burton Act Enters Into Effect**

*Client Alert*

Jacques Semmelman, Mark Handley, Jadranka Jakovcic

*January 16, 2019*

**Post Brexit - Enforcement of Judicial Decisions**

Mark Handley

The BREXIT Agreement – what it means for enforcing judgments across the European Union.

*August 27, 2018*

**U.S. Imposes Sanctions on Russian Federation Pursuant to Chemical and Biological Weapons Control and Warfare Elimination Act of 1991**

*Client Alert*

Jacques Semmelman, Daniel R. Lenihan, Mark Handley, Edoardo Zucchelli, Hyuna Yong

*August 10, 2018*

**United States Issues Executive Order Imposing Sanctions against Iran as Part of Withdrawal from Nuclear Deal**

*Client Alert*

Jacques Semmelman, Daniel R. Lenihan, Mark Handley, Edoardo Zucchelli, Hyuna Yong

*August, 2018*

**EU Response to revived U.S. Sanctions against Iran**

*Economic Sanctions Client Alert*

Mark Handley, Jacques Semmelman, Daniel R. Lenihan, Edoardo Zucchelli, Hyuna Yong