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Richard Hans is the Managing Partner of DLA Piper's New York Office. He represents financial institutions and other publicly and privately held firms in complex commercial and securities litigation and advises clients with respect to global compliance issues.

EXPERIENCE

SIGNIFICANT LITIGATION EXPERIENCE

- Obtained dismissal of claims brought in federal court in New York against a UK-based global bank arising out of a dispute relating to the construction and operation of a Tanzanian power plant
- Obtained dismissal of claims brought in federal court in Louisiana against a UK-based global bank arising out of the collapse of the Fletcher Funds
- Obtained an anti-suit injunction on behalf of an Australian investment bank barring a party opponent from prosecuting a Mexican lawsuit against clients relating to a Mexico infrastructure fund
- Successfully represented the Canadian Creditors Committee in the cross-border Nortel Networks bankruptcy allocation trial, securing a landmark judgment ordering modified pro rata allocation
- Representing Canadian entities in an action brought in federal court by the US Consumer Financial Protection Bureau arising out of alleged activities in the payday lending industry
- Represented a leading financial services firm in defense of a consumer fraud lawsuit brought by the New York Attorney General and in response to investigations and regulatory inquiries by the DOJ, various State Attorneys General (including New York Martin Act investigations), the OTS and Congressional committees

CREDENTIALS

RELATED SERVICES

- Litigation, Arbitration and Investigations
- Corporate
- Finance
- Insurance and Reinsurance Disputes

RELATED SECTORS

- Financial Services
- Insurance

Admissions

- New York

Recognitions

In 2009, Richard won the Burton Award for Legal Achievement for his co-authored article "Ebb and Flow: The Changing Jurisdictional Tides of Global Litigation," published in the Winter 2008 issue of the *New York International Law Review*.

Richard has been named a Best Lawyer for Commercial Litigation every year since 2013 and has been named a New York Super Lawyer by *Law & Politics*, a peer-reviewed publication, every year since 2007.

Education

- J.D., St. John's University 1993
cum laude
Executive Publications Editor, *St. John's Law Review*
- B.S., United States Naval Academy 1983
with merit

Courts

- All New York state courts
- Supreme Court of the United States
- United States District Court for the Southern District of New York
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York
- United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit
- United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit
- United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit
- United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit

Memberships

- British American Business Leadership Forum
- American Bar Association, Litigation and Business Law Sections
- President of the Board of Directors, St. John's University School of Law Alumni Association
- Federal Bar Council
- New York City Bar
- New York Guild of Catholic Lawyers
- Counsel to Board of Directors, Greater New York Councils, Boy Scouts of America
- Member, St. John's University School of Law, Law Review Advisory Board

INSIGHTS

Publications

Restructuring in an uncertain environment

18 May 2020

DLA Piper's Thomas Califano, Richard Hans and Rachel Albanese discuss the challenges and opportunities businesses should be aware of as they navigate these shoal waters.

COVID-19: New York and Other Northeast Council states take phased approach to reopening economy

6 May 2020

These developments raise a number of immediate questions and considerations for businesses operating in the region.

New York state courts permit new filings in "non-essential" matters on May 4, 2020

5 May 2020

Latest developments impacting the court systems in New York.

Pandemic Response Accountability Committee – Update

1 May 2020

The PRAC, in conjunction with various agency inspectors general, has emerged at the forefront of nascent oversight efforts for relief funds.

COVID-19: New York State provides new guidance on essential businesses

13 April 2020

The Guidelines raise a number of immediate questions and considerations for New York businesses.

Will COVID-19 disrupt LIBOR transition planning? (Global)

17 March 2020

The effects of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) on the global economy are causing many to ask whether the timing of the LIBOR transition may also be affected.

- Co-author, "*Standard Chartered Bank v. AHAB: A New York Court Enforces a Judgment from the Bahrain Chamber for Dispute Resolution*," *Bloomberg BNA Banking Report* (February 19, 2013)
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- Co-author, "*Mashreqbank-Forum Non Conveniens* Loses Out to New York's Compelling Interest in Banking Oversight," *Bloomberg BNA Banking Report* (November 20, 2012)

Events

Previous

Risks of the Small Business Administration's Paycheck Protection Program

5 May 2020 | 12:00 - 1:00 p.m. EST
Webinar

- Financial Services Sector client roundtable on personal liability for alleged corporate wrongdoing (November 17, 2015)
- Panelist, "Current Developments in Commercial Division Practice," New York City Bar (May 2013, May 2015)
- Panelist, "2011 PwC Securities Litigation Study," Yale Club (April 11, 2012)

NEWS

MEDIA MENTIONS

- Quoted, "From Military To Law: What Attys Took From Their Service" *Law360*, November 9, 2020