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Michiel Coenraads focuses on corporate litigation and international arbitration. Michiel has a strong track record in advising clients in high-profile corporate and commercial disputes.

His focus areas include shareholder and securities litigation, directors liability, joint venture disputes and contentious M&A. Michiel also assists clients in the rapidly changing ESG space, including Business and Human Rights issues.

Michiel has practiced two years in New York, where he has gained valuable experience in complex cross border transactions and advice. In 2015 Michiel was appointed a deputy district judge.

- Litigation, Arbitration and Investigations

English Dutch

LANGUAGES SPOKEN

- English
- Dutch

- Corporate governance
- M&A related disputes (pre- and post-completion)
- Inquiry proceedings before the Enterprise Chamber (Ondernemingskamer)
- International Arbitration
- Directors liability
- Shareholder disputes
- Securities litigation
- Class actions
- Joint venture disputes
- Partnership disputes

CREDENTIALS

Professional Qualifications

- Advocaat admitted with the Nederlandse Orde van Advocaten

Recognitions

Michiel is recommended by the *Legal 500 2021* EMEA edition:

- “Michiel Coenraads is absolutely very good. He is smart, eloquent, approachable and personable with great hearing presence. He understands deal dynamics. He is someone who can speak to our CEO and is well-connected, seems to know everybody”
- “Michiel is very pleasant to work with, is easily available, and is always looking for mutual ground in finding a solution without losing sight of our interest. He is always taking the time to advise us in the ways he thinks we can best reach our goals and come to an understanding with the other party.”
- “DLA's arbitration team in Amsterdam is doing impressive work. They are extremely entrepreneurial and are building a very solid practice with big cases for impressive clients. It is well integrated in the international network and these guys combine technical skills with business acumen and tactical and strategic thinking. I think they are well ahead of the other international firms in Amsterdam!”

Education

- INSEAD Executive Programme, 2008
- Groningen University, Company Law, 2004

Memberships

- Corporate Litigation Association (*Vereniging Corporate Litigation*)
- Commercial Litigation Association (*Vereeniging Handelsrecht*)
- Dutch Arbitration Association
- International Bar Association

INSIGHTS

Publications

European Commission proposal for the Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive

24 February 2022

Yesterday, the European Commission finally released its long-awaited proposal for the Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive, that would require companies to carry out due diligence across their value chain, as well as embed sustainability and human rights considerations into their business strategy, decisions and oversight.

Dutch government moves ahead with human rights due diligence legislation

10 December 2021

The Dutch government has started working on a national human rights due diligence legislation, to be implemented swiftly. This article considers likely key aspects of the Dutch law and how businesses can prepare.

ESG Talks - Michiel Coenraads and Jorian Hamster about ESG litigation

21 September 2021

ESG Talks

In episode 5 of our ESG Talks, Michiel Coenraads and Jorian Hamster from DLA Piper, experts in the field of International Disputes, talk about ESG litigation with Harm Edens.

Fatal air pollution: A subject for group actions in the UK?

21 January 2021

It has long been recognised that air pollution, in the form of particulates, and sulphur and nitrogen oxides, has an extremely detrimental effect on health – particularly in heavily populated urban areas with high traffic densities.

Corporate social responsibility: from soft law to hard obligations through strategic litigation

1 September 2020

In this article, Michiel Coenraads and Jorian Hamster discuss the rapid development of judge-made law and the use of soft-law instruments, giving rise to open norms and new standards that will form the core of the new rules for corporate social responsibility.

NEWS

DLA Piper versterkt Litigation & Regulatory praktijk met Anne Josephus Jitta

8 oktober 2020

DLA Piper heeft Anne Josephus Jitta per 1 oktober als Legal Director aangesteld ter versterking van de Litigation & Regulatory praktijk. Het internationale advocatenkantoor zet met de aanstelling van Josephus Jitta een belangrijke stap in de uitbreiding van het arbitrageteam.
