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Ramsey's practice focuses on international dispute resolution, trade and regulatory matters.

Ramsey has considerable experience advising U.S. and international companies on compliance with respect to economic sanctions and U.S. export controls, defending white-collar criminal inquiries and conducting special investigations. He has been involved in a variety of matters relating to economic sanctions administered by the Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) and the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (FCPA) and has designed compliance programs for companies in the pharmaceutical, petrochemical, and general manufacturing industries.

Ramsey also has strong dispute resolution experience, regularly appearing as counsel in arbitration proceedings and advising on disputes throughout the Middle East.

Ramsey is the four-term elected President of the *American Business Council of Dubai & the Northern Emirates*, a chapter of the US Chamber of Commerce, and is a champion for US - UAE trade and investment.

- International Trade, Regulatory and Government Affairs
- Litigation, Arbitration and Investigations

Arabic English

LANGUAGES SPOKEN

- Arabic
- English

- Advised numerous U.S. and European companies on economic sanctions on Iran, Russia, and Sudan, with a particular expertise in OFAC general licenses for food, medicine, personal consumer electronics, and non-U.S. subsidiaries of U.S. companies (General License H)
- Trial counsel or arbitrator in approximately 15 arbitrations under the rules of the Dubai International Arbitration Centre (DIAC)
- Advising a Saudi Arabian construction conglomerate on contracts and claims for three high-profile projects, valued at US\$ 5 billion, in Saudi Arabia
- Developed export control policies and procedures for several multinational companies, including a global electronics manufacturer, a pharmaceutical manufacture, and a petrochemical company

- Represented two contractors and three employees in a U.S. Department of Justice investigation into illegal payments in Afghanistan, with a favourable resolution
- Conducted a special investigation on behalf of a major US insurance company relating to a multi-million dollar claim based on allegations of employee fraud

CREDENTIALS

Admissions

- District of Columbia
- New York

Professional Qualifications

- Attorney-at-law admitted with the Supreme Court of New York
- Attorney-at-law admitted with the District of Columbia Bar

Education

- The George Washington University Law School, Juris Doctor, with Honors, 2005
- American University of Beirut, Bachelor of Arts, with Honors, 2001

Memberships

- Arbitrator, Dubai International Arbitration Centre
- Registered Practitioner (Part II), Dubai International Financial Centre (DIFC) Courts
- President, American Business Council of Dubai & the Northern Emirates, 2012-2017

INSIGHTS

Publications

Understanding Dubai: The evolving regional corporate hub

15 September 2021

In September, 2021 DLA Piper co-hosted a webinar with the US-UAE Business Council discussing the continued evolution of Dubai as a regional business hub.

DLA Piper's Sanctions Matrix – September issue

7 September 2021

The September issue of DLA Piper's Sanction Matrix offers latest developments on key sanctions-related legislation. This issue highlights extensions of measures targeting Belarus, the softening of sanctions targeting Egypt and Tunisia and the imposition of the UK's Global Anti-Corruption Sanctions Regime.

Events

Previous

Webinar: Managing internal investigations across the Middle East

24 May 2021

Webinar

From China to Russia and everything in between – navigating sanctions developments

24 February 2021

Webinar

In House Counsel Day

24 February 2020
