

Mark Jones

Partner
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Biography

Mark has 25 years' experience advising on complex and high-profile competition/antitrust issues. He focuses on obtaining competition clearances for M&A transactions and joint ventures, and representing clients in cartel, monopoly, and market investigations. He is equally at home advising on UK, EU and multi-jurisdictional matters.

Mark also regularly advises on issues relating to the economic regulation of utilities, the EU state aid rules, and the public procurement rules.

Mark understands what makes regulators tick. His experience includes a secondment to the Office of Fair Trading, the then lead UK competition authority, and he has acted for a number of UK regulators with concurrent competition/antitrust powers.

Sectors in which Mark has particular experience include financial institutions, energy/infra, and consumer/retail. He is a recognised competition lawyer in the legal directories, including Chambers and Legal 500.

Representative experience

Acting for Anschutz Entertainment Group to secure EUMR and UK (referral back) merger control clearance for the establishment of ASM Global, its worldwide



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Languages

English

Practices

Antitrust and Competition

Energy Regulatory

Public Procurement

Industries

Consumer

Diversified Industrials

Energy and Natural Resources

Financial Institutions

joint venture with SMG.

Advising ITV on the creation of BritBox, the UK streaming service joint venture with the BBC.

Advising The Crown Estate in relation to Round 4 offshore wind leasing.

Representing News Corp in connection with the CMA's phase II merger investigation into the proposed 21st Century Fox / Sky merger.

Representing TSB in the CMA market investigation into UK retail banking.

Acting for ARRIS Group in its \$2.1bn takeover of Pace plc.

Acting for UK energy regulator OFGEM in its successful defence before the CMA of appeals by Northern Powergrid and British Gas against its RIIO-ED1 price control decisions.

Awards and rankings

- Competition, *Chambers UK*, 2019-2020
- Competition Law (UK), *Chambers Global*, 2018-2019
- Competition: Future Leaders, *Who's Who Legal*, 2017-2018
- Competition, *Who's Who Legal*, 2017-2019
- Competition/European law, *Chambers*
- Public Procurement, *Chambers*
- Public Procurement, *Who's Who Legal*
- EU and Competition, *Legal 500*

Latest thinking and events

- News
 - UK National Security and Investment - now is the time to Act

Insurance

Sports, Media & Entertainment

Areas of focus

Abuse of Dominance and Restrictive Practices

Agency Investigations

Cartel Investigations

Competition Compliance

Dawn Raids

Leniency Applications

Merger Control

Procurement

State Aid

Water

Education and admissions

Education

University of Oxford, St Catherine's College

Memberships

Advisory Board, British Institute of International and Comparative Law, Competition Law Forum

City of London Solicitors' Society

Bar admissions and qualifications

- Hogan Lovells Publications
 - Energy Transition: Regulatory impact *Video*
- News
 - UK's Digital Markets Unit: referee has been appointed, now is your chance to help write rules of the game
- News
 - The rise of FDI regimes and their impact on M&A transactions
- Insights
 - Collective bargaining for the self-employed – a tough gig?
- News
 - UK's Digital Markets Unit and EU's Digital Markets Act: Divergence in the regulation of the largest online platforms?

Solicitor, England and Wales

Solicitor, Republic of Ireland

Accolades

Clients describe him as "clear, very knowledgeable, straightforward and pragmatic"

Chambers UK, 2019

"Provides clients with 'skilful, informed and up-to-date legal advice with a practical edge'"

Chambers UK
