

Mark Lin

Partner

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Biography

He is not your ordinary litigator. Mark Lin has mastered the art of asking the right questions to find the right solutions. He has been using this solution-driven approach to help various local and multinational clients, particularly those in the financial services and multimedia sectors, since the 1990s.

Mark has regular experience dealing with courts, tribunals, and regulators in Hong Kong, Singapore, and Asia Pacific, as well as dealing with cross-border crises. He is a seasoned advocate who is experienced in handling multi-jurisdictional investigations. He has advocated for clients in international arbitrations in Hong Kong, London, Paris, Gothenburg, Singapore, Shanghai, and Beijing. Mark is a recognized leader in commercial dispute resolution and contentious regulatory investigations by the leading legal directories, including *Chambers Asia-Pacific* and *Chambers Global* (in which he is listed as Band 1 for dispute resolution), *Legal 500 Asia Pacific*, and *Who's Who Legal*.

Mark has been a partner at Hogan Lovells since 2003 and is a fellow of the Hong Kong Securities Institute.

Representative experience

Defending a Hong Kong bank in a multi-million dollar



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Languages

English
Cantonese
Mandarin

Practices

Investigations, White Collar, and
Fraud

Administrative and Public Law

Financial Services

Litigation Services

International Arbitration

Corporate and Shareholder
Litigation

Commercial Litigation

arbitration claim brought by an Australia-headquartered technology company in relation to additional payment for works.

Advising an international bank in relation to the first ever investigation by the HKMA under the new anti-money laundering law covering financial institutions.

Assisting a public transport operator to secure an interim injunction in relation to transport disruption caused by protests in Hong Kong in August of 2019.

Assisting a government statutory body to secure an interim injunction in relation to transport disruption caused by protests in Hong Kong in August of 2019.

Successfully defending an ex-director of CITIC Limited in High Court and Market Misconduct Tribunal proceedings alleging market misconduct in claims exceeding \$1.9 billion.

Advising the vice chairman of a global US bank in relation to the hiring probe by the SEC/DOJ.

Advising an international bank on regulatory/legal /internal corporate governance issues arising from staff/customer fraud involving regulators in Hong Kong, UK, Singapore and Taiwan.

Advising a multinational transport company in petitioning for the winding up of a PRC incorporated company in Hong Kong.

Advising a Hong Kong government statutory body in successfully defeating judicial review application challenging the construction and financing of a third runway.

Acting in the first ever application to set aside an arbitration award under the UNCITRAL Model Law in Hong Kong.

Advising an international bank in dealing with a monitor appointed by the Department of Financial

Banking and Finance Litigation

Insurance Litigation

Insolvency Litigation

Industries

Diversified Industrials

Financial Institutions

Insurance

TMT

Areas of focus

Bribery and Corruption

Anti-money Laundering

Financial Services Regulatory Investigations and Enforcement

Judicial Review

Alternative Dispute Resolution

E-discovery and Information Management

Media and Entertainment Litigation

Education and admissions

Education

LL.M., The University of Hong Kong, 1993

B.A., Keele University, 1987

Memberships

Services New York.

Advising a global investment bank in investigations by the MAS and the HKMA into alleged AML breaches.

Awards and rankings

- Hall of Fame, Regulatory (Hong Kong), *Legal 500*, 2020
- Regulatory (Hong Kong), Leading Individual, *Legal 500 Asia Pacific*, 2006-2020
- Dispute Resolution: Litigation (Hong Kong), *Legal 500 Asia Pacific*, 2012-2020
- Dispute Resolution: Litigation - International Firms (China), *Chambers Asia-Pacific*, 2008-2020
- Financial Services: Contentious Regulatory - International Firms (China), *Chambers Asia-Pacific*, 2013-2020
- Dispute Resolution - International Firms (China), *Chambers Global*, 2006-2020
- Acritas Star, *Acritas Stars Independently Rated Lawyers*, 2020
- International Arbitration (Hong Kong), *Legal 500 Asia Pacific*, 2018
- Listed as a Global Leader for Investigations, *Who's Who Legal*, 2018-2020
- Listed as a Global Leader for Litigation, *Who's Who Legal*, 2018-2019
- Listed as a Thought Leader for Litigation, *Who's Who Legal*, 2018-2019
- Dispute Resolution Star in Commercial and Transactions (Asia-Pacific), *Benchmark Litigation*, 2018-2019

Latest thinking and events

- Analysis
 - Hong Kong court tells listed companies to do

Member of Legal Committee of Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce

Fellow of Hong Kong Securities and Investment Institute

Associate of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators

Member of the Hong Kong Institute of Directors

Member of the Law Society Committees on Civil Litigation and the Overseas Lawyers Qualification Examination

Member of the Inter-Pacific Bar Association

Member of the International Association of Defense Counsel

Bar admissions and qualifications

Australia

Solicitor, England and Wales

Hong Kong

Accolades

"Interviewees praise Mark Lin as a "strong litigator" who is "intellectually sharp and sensible in pushing matters forward."

Chambers Asia-Pacific 2019

things "properly" if they want to restructure debt

■ Insights

- 'Rise to the Challenge' - Hong Kong Court calls for 'immediate' reform of restructuring legislation

■ Hogan Lovells Publications

- How dear is an antitrust breach in Hong Kong – flat decorators slammed with HK\$4 million fines in first penalties judgment *Global Regulatory alert*

■ Hogan Lovells Publications

- China travel restrictions in COVID-19 – what you need to know *Litigation, Arbitration and Employment Alert*

■ Hogan Lovells Publications

- A strong statement – Hong Kong court says arbitration agreement is "irrelevant" to the exercise of courts discretion in a winding-up *Litigation, Arbitration, and Employment Alert*

■ Hogan Lovells Publications

- Hong Kong courts in lockdown – how technology is helping with dispute resolution in the time of COVID-19