



News

Many of our engagements involve matters in which our clients face significant public attention. The following is a list of news stories about the firm, our clients, cases and the results we have achieved.

Kobre & Kim and Lawyers Recognized in Multiple Chambers Global 2022 Categories

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In recognition of our strong cross-border capabilities and deep bench of talent, *Chambers & Partners* listed Kobre & Kim and several lawyers around the world in their latest Global Guide rankings.

Our recognitions this year are as follows:

Dispute Resolution in Cayman Islands Legal Ranking. Peter Tyers-Smith has moved up bands, with the rankings citing his “considerable experience assisting with cases throughout the Commonwealth Caribbean.” *Chambers* also quotes testimonials praising Mr. Tyers-Smith as “one of the strongest technical lawyers in Cayman,” and a “tactical thinker” who “understands our long-term objectives” and is “very good at spotting problems down the line.”

Also ranked were **Jalil Asif QC**, for whom *Chambers* noted is “well versed in shareholder and trust cases as well as a broad spectrum of general commercial disputes,” quoting others applauding his “knowledge, strategic judgment and managing of details”; as well as **Ulrich Payne**, “noted for his skilled handling of a wide range of disputes, including insolvency matters” and praised by commentators as “very easy to work with” and “not intimidated by anyone or any cases.” **Kobre & Kim** was also ranked among top Cayman dispute resolution firms.

Corporate Investigations/Anti-Corruption (International Firms) in China Legal Rankings. Citing his “insights into anti-bribery matters and experience gained from his former role with the U.S. DOJ,” *Chambers* placed Hong Kong-based **Vasu Muthyala** among the top practitioners in this area. Clients laud him as “excellent at advising on things [they] don’t think about,” as well as “the best lawyer to represent individual witnesses and defendants” with a “skill at defusing volatile situations” and ability to “think and sometimes speak five to ten steps ahead.”

In addition, **Kobre & Kim** overall placed highly among the top firms in this category, with *Chambers* pointing out “personalized service and discreet approach to highly sensitive matters,” our “decades’ worth of experience working for U.S. regulators and in-house for global financial institutions,” and our “skillful representation of individuals in cases involving allegations of fraud, misappropriation, money laundering and sanctions violations.”

Dispute Resolution: International Firms in South Korea Legal Rankings. Both founding partner **Michael Kim** and **Kobre & Kim** were recognized in this space. *Chambers* calls Mr. Kim “highly active on cross-border disputes and investigations matters, often involving elements of fraud, financial misconduct and insolvency.” The publication points to our Seoul office’s ability to “draw seamlessly upon the resources of a global network of offices to advise clients on multi-jurisdictional disputes.”

Offshore: Dispute Resolution in Asia-Pacific Region Legal Rankings. *Chambers* placed Hong Kong-based **Tim Haynes** in Band 2 of this category, noting his “considerable experience advising on BVI and Cayman Islands law” and his “extensive experience in commercial litigation, corporate insolvency and restructuring cases.”

Litigation: Trial Lawyers in USA Legal Rankings. **Matthew Menchel** was named as a “renowned white-collar litigator, known for trying many of the country’s most high-profile criminal cases.” *Chambers* quotes testimonials citing Mr. Menchel’s “outstanding reputation among white-collar litigators and judges as being one of the best,” his “tremendous success rate” and how “his cross-examination skills are the best.”

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Dispute Resolution in United Arab Emirates Legal Rankings. *Chambers* ranked Dubai-based **Paul Hughes** among the top practitioners in the country, noting his work “on behalf of financial institutions in relation to debt recovery cases,” as well as his wider practice “acting on shareholder, insurance and construction disputes in the DIFC courts.” Industry insiders praise Mr. Hughes as a “phenomenal lawyer” who is “very bright, very direct and easy to work with,” as well as “robust, tactically astute and knowledgeable.”

Corporate Investigations in United Arab Emirates Legal Rankings. Also in Dubai, **Katy Fisher** is spotlighted as an “Associate to Watch.” Testimonials laud her as “brilliant,” “very articulate, smart, and has so much experience on regulatory matters.”