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Michael Sanfilippo represents clients in international commercial engagements including corporate, joint venture, and partnership disputes, as well as financial services litigation.

Prior to joining Kobre & Kim, Mr. Sanfilippo practiced at Cravath, Swaine & Moore LLP.

Admissions

- New York
 - U.S. District Court for the Western District of New York
 - U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York
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Education

- Columbia University School of Law, JD
 - Wesleyan University, BA
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Select Engagements

- Serves as the Independent Examiner for the U.S. Department of Justice in an investigation of a large international financial institution with operations in Israel, Switzerland, Luxembourg, the United Kingdom, and the United States.
- Represented ConocoPhillips in the enforcement of International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes and International Chamber of Commerce arbitration claims against the Petróleos de Venezuela S.A. and the Republic of Venezuela.
- Representation of Chevron Corp. in enforcing an investment treaty arbitration award against a sovereign nation for US \$100 million+.
- Representation of the trustee in bankruptcy of the Petters Company Inc., arising from a Ponzi scheme involving US \$5 billion+ in investments, as special counsel for international asset recovery.
- Representation of NTT DoCoMo Inc., Japan's predominant mobile telephone provider, in enforcing a US \$1.2 billion London Court of International Arbitration (LCIA) arbitration award against Tata Sons Ltd., the holding company for India's top business conglomerate Tata Group, and culminating in a settlement involving full payment of the award to NTT DoCoMo.

KOBRE & KIM

- Represented San Francisco-based consulting firm in a dispute with a US energy company based on a contract to develop business in Saudi Arabia.
- Represented international telecommunications company in connection with a U.S. and Korean government antitrust investigation.
- Represented institutional client in residential mortgage-backed securities litigations.
- Represented publicly traded retail chain and its board of directors in a securities litigation and takeover defense in which all claims, including claims of breach of fiduciary duty and violation of federal securities laws, were dismissed.

Publications & Presentations

- Co-author, "Changing Rules for Foreign Arbitral Awards" (*Today's General Counsel*, December 2016)