

Mark Hoskins KC

YEAR OF CALL: 1991 YEAR OF SILK: 2009

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Practice Overview

Mark Hoskins was called to the Bar of England and Wales in 1991 and was appointed KC in 2009. He was called to the Irish Bar in 2017 and is a member of the Law Library. He is widely regarded as one of the leading litigators in the fields of competition, EU/EEA, Administrative & Public and Sports law. He is renowned as a "highly skilled analytical advocate" and "very good at working within a team".

Mark has considerable experience of leading large teams in complex litigation. In *Sainsbury's v MasterCard*, he acted for MasterCard in a 7 week trial in the Competition Appeal Tribunal. He also acted for MasterCard in a 6 week trial in the Commercial Court on similar issues. Both cases involved heavy cross-examination of both factual and expert witnesses. In *Electrical Waste Recycling Ltd v Recolight Ltd*, Mark led a very large team of barristers and solicitors (involving more than twenty lawyers) in complex litigation involving the United Kingdom's regulatory scheme for dealing with waste (which settled shortly before trial).

Mark acts before a wide variety of courts and Tribunals. Domestically he has appeared in cases in the Chancery Division, Commercial Court, Administrative Court, Court of Appeal and Supreme Court. He has appeared regularly in the Competition Appeal Tribunal since its creation.

Mark has appeared in many significant competition law actions, including *Arcadia & Ors v MasterCard*, *Sainsbury's v MasterCard*, *Streetmap v Google*, *National Grid Electricity v ABB Ltd & Ors*, *Cooper Tire v Shell*, *Devenish v Sanofi-Aventis*, *Argos v OFT*, *JJB Sports v OFT*, *Aberdeen Journals v DGFT*.

He has a significant commercial regulation practice and has acted in a variety of matters in regulated markets, e.g.

- airports (*BAA v Competition Commission*, *Ryanair v Gatwick Airport*)
- banking/financial services (*Office of Fair Trading v Abbey National plc* , the “Bank Charges” case), *Barclays Bank plc v Competition Commission*)
- environment (*Electrical Waste Recycling v Recolight* , *R(Air Transport Association of America) v Secretary of State for Energy and Climate Change*)
- health regulation (*R(Philip Morris) v Secretary of State for Health* , the “Tobacco Plain Packaging” case)
- sport (clients include UEFA, the Premier League and the British Horseracing Authority)
- supermarkets (*Tesco v Competition Commission*)
- television/telecommunications (*British Sky Broadcasting Ltd v Ofcom* , the “Pay TV” case, *Floe Telecommunications v Ofcom*)
- utilities (CMA energy market investigation, advisory work for Thames Water)

Mark has also appeared in more than 90 cases before the EU Courts and the EFTA Court, including Case T-82/13 *Panasonic*, Case E-16/11 *EFTA Surveillance Authority v Iceland* , Case C-457/10P *AstraZeneca*.

Finally, Mark has experience of advising and acting in non-European jurisdictions. He acted for the Hong Kong Communications Authority in *Television Broadcasts v Communications Authority* and has advised the Singapore Competition Commission.

Competition

Mark has appeared in many significant competition law actions, including *BritNed Development Ltd v ABB Ltd*, *Sainsbury’s v MasterCard*, *Streetmap v Google*, *National Grid Electricity v ABB Ltd & Ors*, *Cooper Tire v Shell*, *Devenish v Sanofi-Aventis*, *Argos v OFT*, *JJB Sports v OFT*, *Aberdeen Journals v DGFT*.

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In 2017 he was named Competition Silk of the Year by Chambers & Partners.

Finally, Mark has experience of advising and acting in non-European jurisdictions. He acted for the Hong Kong Communications Authority in *Television Broadcasts v Communications Authority* and has advised the Singapore Competition Commission.

Before National Courts:

- *BritNed Development Ltd v ABB Ltd* [2018] EWHC 2616 (Ch)
- *Deutsche Bahn & Ors v Morgan Advanced Materials plc & Ors* [2013] CAT 18; [2013] EWCA Civ 1484 (competition law/jurisdiction)

- British Sky Broadcasting Ltd v Ofcom (Pay TV/competition)
- Ryanair Ltd v Gatwick Airport Ltd, CAA decision 31 May 2011 (competition/airport regulation)
- Bloomsbury International Ltd & Ors v Sea Fish Industry Authority and Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs [2011] UKSC 25 (statutory construction/free movement of goods)
- Durkan Holdings Ltd & Ors v Office of Fair Trading [2010] CAT 12, [2010] Comp AR 254; [2011] CAT 6
- CTS Eventim AG v Competition Commission, supported by Live Nation Entertainment Inc [2010] CAT 7 (mergers)
- WMMorrisonSupermarketsplc -v- CompetitionCommission [2009] CAT 33 (mergers/interim relief)
- BAA Ltd v Competition Commission (market investigations/judicial review) [2009] CAT 35; [2010] EWCA Civ 1097
- Cooper Tire & Rubber Company and Ors v Shell Chemicals UK Limited and Ors [2009] EWHC 2609 (Comm) (cartel damages/jurisdiction/Italian torpedo)
- BarclaysBankplcvCompetitionCommission [2009] CAT 27 (market investigations/payment protection insurance)
- National Grid Electricity transmissions plc v ABB Ltd & Ors [2009] EWHC 1326 (Ch), [2009] UKCLR 838 (competition law/damages)
- R (on application of Cityhook Ltd) v The Office of Fair Trading [2009] EWHC 57 (Admin), [2009] UKCLR 255 (judicial review/competition law/administrative priority)
- Tesco plc v The Competition Commission [2008] CompAR 207; [2009] CAT 6 (market investigations/judicial review)
- Bookmakers' Afternoon Greyhound Services Ltd & Ors v Amalgamated Racing Ltd & Ors [2008] EWHC 1978 (Ch) (competition law/media rights)
- Emerson Electric Co. & Ors v Morgan Crucible Company plc [2008] CAT 8, [2008] CompAR 118 (competition law/damages)
- Office of Fair Trading v Abbey National plc & Ors [2008] EWHC 875 (Comm) (EC law/unfair contract terms/bank charges)
- The Consumers Association v JJB Sports (Case 1078/7/9/07) (first representative claim for damages)
- R (Swami Suryananda as a representative of the Community of The Many Names of God) v The Welsh Ministers (judicial review/human rights/slaughter of temple bullock, Shambo)
- R (British Casino Association) v Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport [2007] EWHC 1312 (Admin) (judicial review)
- Devenish & Ors v Sanofi-Aventis SA & Ors [2007] EWHC 2394 (Ch), [2008] 2 WLR 637, [2008] UKCLR 28, 2008 EuLR 268; [2008] EWCA Civ 1086 (competition law/exemplary and restitutionary damages)
- SanDisk Corporation v Philips Electronics NV and Ors [2007] EWHC 332 (Ch), [2007] UKCLR 1539
- Viking Line Abp v International Transport Workers' Federation and Finnish Seamen's Union, [2005] EuLR 1036, The Times 22.6.05 (EC freedom of establishment)

- BCL Old Co Ltd and ors v Aventis SA and ors (Competition Appeal Tribunal) [2005] CAT 1, [2005] CompAR 470; [2005] CAT 2, [2005] CompAR 485
- Association of British Insurers v Office of Fair Trading (Competition Appeal Tribunal)
- Bim Kemi AB v Blackburn Chemicals Ltd [2004] UKCLR 64, [2004] EuLR 575 (Comm Ct); [2004] EWCA Civ 1490, [2005] UKCLR 1, [2005] EuLR 176, The Times 10.11.04 (CA)
- (competition)
- R (Unitymark Ltd) v Department of Environment, Food and Rural Affairs [2004] EuLR 338
- Floe Telecommunications v Ofcom [2004] CAT 7, [2004] CompAR 559; [2004] CAT 18, [2005] CompAR 290; [2004] CAT 22, [2005] CompAR 463
- A and Others v Secretary of State for the Home Department (as special advocate before the Special Immigration Appeals Commission)
- JJB Sports plc v Office of Fair Trading (Competition Appeal Tribunal) [2004] CAT 17, [2005] CompAR 29, [2005] CompAR 1060
- Argos Ltd v Office of Fair Trading (Competition Appeal Tribunal) [2005] CompAR 588
- Provimi Ltd v Aventis Animal Nutrition SA and Others and Other Actions [2003] EWHC 961 (Comm), [2003] UKCLR 493, [2003] EuLR 517 (competition/jurisdiction)
- Wilson and others v Secretary of State for Trade and Industry [2003] 3 WLR 568 (human rights), [2003] UKHRR 1085
- R (Transport for London and Mayor of London) v London Regional Transport (London Underground judicial review)
- R (Castille Ltd and others) v Secretary of State for Trade and Industry [2002] EuLR 209, [2002] A.C.D. 52 (EC licence regime/proportionality)
- Adan v London Borough of Newham [2002] 1 WLR 2120, [2002] 1 All ER 931, [2002] UKHRR 229 (human rights)
- Pine v The Law Society [2002] UKHRR 81 (human rights)
- R (on the application of Jarrett) v Legal Services Commission [2002] A.C.D. 160
- Aberdeen Journals Ltd v The Director General of Fair Trading [2002] CompAR 1, [2002] CompAR 167, [2003] CompAR 67 (Competition Commission Appeal Tribunals)
- Bavarian Lager Co Ltd v The Department of Trade and Industry [2002] UKCLR 160 (QBD) (Article 28 EC)
- R v Secretary of State for Health, ex parte British Association of European Pharmaceutical Distributors [2001] EuLR 464 (QB), [2002] EuLR 197 (CA) (free movement of goods/pharmaceuticals)
- Gough v Chief Constable of Derbyshire, Regina (Miller) v Leeds Magistrates' Court, Lilley v DPP, [2002] 3 WLR 289, [2002] 2 CMLR 199, [2002] EuLR 359, The Times 10.4.02 (CA); [2001] 3 WLR 1392, [2001] 3 CMLR 613, [2001] EuLR 701, The Times 19.7.01 (Div. Ct.) (football banning orders legislation/EC law/ECHR)
- The Queen on the application of Shields v Crown Court at Liverpool and the Lord Chancellor [2001] EWHC Admin 90 [2001] UKHRR 610 (human rights/public law)
- Bacardi Martini v Newcastle United Football Club Ltd [2001] EuLR 45 (sport/advertising/EC free movement rules)
- Consorzio del Prosciutto di Parma v Asda Stores Ltd [2001] 1 CMLR 1103 (EC law/protected

designation of origin)

- R v Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, ex parte Orange, [2001] EuLR 165, The Times 15.11.00 (telecommunications/European Communities Act 1972)
- R v National Lottery Commission, ex parte Camelot Group Plc (QBD, Crown Office), [2001] EMLR 3, The Times 12.10.00 (judicial review)
- R v Secretary of State for the Environment, Transport and the Regions, ex parte Omega Air Limited [2000] 2 CMLR 167, [2000] EuLR 254 (air transport)
- R v Secretary of State for the Home Department, ex parte Fayed (Court of Appeal) 2001 Imm. A.R. 134 (judicial review)
- Mayer Parry Recycling Ltd v The Environment Agency, (Ch.), [1999] Env. LR 489, The Times 3.12.98 (environment/waste regulation)
- R v Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, ex parte Monsanto plc (Div. Ct.), [1999] 2 WLR 599, [1998] 4 All ER 321, The Times 12.10.98 (judicial review/interim injunctions)
- R v Secretary of State for the Environment, Transport and the Regions and the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, ex parte Watson (CA), The Times 31.8.98 (environment/regulation of genetically modified organisms)
- R v Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, ex parte Anastasiou (Pissouri) Limited (House of Lords), [1999] EuLR 168, [2002] EuLR 55 (plant health regulations/international relations)
- Coal Authority v HJ Banks & Co Ltd [1997] EuLR 610, [2002] EuLR 483 (ECSC Treaty)
- R v Comptroller of Patents and Trade Marks, ex parte Lenzing AG, [1997] RPC 245, [1997] EuLR 237, The Times 17.1.97 (intellectual property/TRIPs Agreement)
- Oakdale (Richmond) Ltd v National Westminster Bank (Ch.) [1997] EuLR 27; [1997] E.C.C. 130; [1996] Trading Law Reports 541; The Times 20/8/96 (EC competition law/banking)

Before European Court of Justice/Court of First Instance

- C-209/13 *United Kingdom v Council* (pending) (challenge to legality of financial transaction tax)
- Case T-82/13 *Panasonic and MT Picture Display v Commission* (pending) (competition law)
- Case C-617/12 *Astrazeneca AB v Comptroller General of Patents, Designs and Trade Marks* , Order of 14 November 2013 (medicinal products)
- Case C-382/12P *MasterCard & ors v Commission* (competition law)
- Case E-16/11 *EFTA Surveillance Authority v Iceland* (failure to comply with obligations under the bank guarantee directive)
- Case C-366/10 *The Air Transport Association of America & Ors -v- The Secretary of State for Energy and Climate Change* (pending) (environment)
- Case T-286/09 *Intel Corporation v Commission* (pending) (competition law)
- Case C-497/08 *Amiraike Berlin* (pending) (company law/freedom of establishment)
- Case C-403/08 *Football Association Premier League & Ors v QC Leisure & Ors* (football broadcasting rights)
- Case T-246/08 and T-332/08 *Melli Bank plc v Council* (pending) (financial sanctions)
- Case C-211/08 *Commission v Spain* (pending) (health care/freedom to provide services)

- Case T-111/08 MasterCard Incorporated v Commission (pending) (competition law)
- Case C-550/07P Akzo Nobel Chemicals Ltd v Commission (pending) (competition law/legal professional privilege)
- Case C-537/07 Gómez-Limón (pending) (equal treatment/parental leave)
- Case C-532/07P Commission v Association de la presse internationale ASBL (pending) (access to documents)
- Case C-528/07P Association de la presse internationale ASBL v Commission (pending) (access to documents)
- Case T-318/07 NALOO v Commission (ECSC) (discontinued)
- Case C-152 to 154/07 Arcor AG v Germany (direct effect of directives)
- Case C-244/06 Dynamic Medien Vertriebs GmbH v AVIDES Media AG (pending) (free movement of goods)
- Case C-195/06 KommAustria v Österreichischer Rundfunk, judgment of 18.10.07 (television broadcasting directive)
- Case T-318/01 Omar Mohammed Othman v Council (pending) (sanctions)
- Case C-438/05 The International Transport Workers' Federation and The Finnish Seaman's Union v Viking Line ABP, judgment of 11.12.07 (free movement/right to strike)
- Case C-267/05 Oakley Inc v Animal Ltd and others (pending) (intellectual property/directives)
- Case T-178/05 United Kingdom v Commission, judgment of 23.11.05 (environment)
- Case T-143/05 United Kingdom v Commission, Order of 27.6.05 (environment)
- Case C-10/05 Mattern and Cikotic (pending) (free movement of persons)
- Case C-1/05 Jia (pending) (immigration)
- Case C-340/04 Carbotermo and Consorzio Alisei v Comune di Busto Arsizio (pending) (public procurement)
- Case C-535/03 R (Unifarm Ltd and North Sea Fishermen's Organisation) v The Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (pending) (common fisheries policy)
- Case C-336/03 EasyCar (UK) Ltd v Office of Fair Trading, judgment of 10.3.05 (consumer protection)
- Case C-173/03 Fallimento "Traghetti del Mediterraneo" SpA v Italy (pending) (State liability)
- Case C-105/03 Criminal proceedings against Maria Pupino [2005] 3 WLR 1102 (remedies/direct effect)
- Case T-84/03 Maurizio Turco v Council (pending) (access to documents)
- Case C-319/02 Petri Manninen [2004] 2 WLR 670 (direct taxation)
- Case C-315/02 Anneliese Lenz v Finanzlandesdirektion für Tirol (pending) (direct taxation)
- Case C-233/02 France v Commission (pending) (international relations)
- Case C-222/02 Peter Paul and others v Germany, judgment of 12.10.04 (State liability/banking regulation)
- Case T-168/02 Internationaler Tierschutz-Fonds (IFAW) GmbH v Commission [2005] 1 WLR 1252 (access to documents)
- Case C-140/02 R v MAFF, ex parte Anastasiou, judgment of 30.9.03 (plant health regulation/international relations)

- Case C-241/01 National Farmers Union v Ministère des affaires étrangères [2002] ECR I-9079, The Times 24.10.02 (agriculture - French ban on British beef)
- Case C-224/01 Köbler v Austria [2004] QB 848, [2004] 2 WLR 976, The Times 3.10.03 (State liability)
- Case C-182/01 Saatgut-Treuhandverwaltungs GmbH v Werner Jäger (pending) (plant breeders' rights)
- Case C-180/01P-R Commission v NALOO [2001] ECR I- 5737 (ECSC/interim measures)
- Joined Cases C-172/01P, C-176/01P, C-180/01P Commission v NALOO, judgment of 2.10.03 (ECSC)
- Case C-168/01 Bosal Holding B.V. v Staatsecretaris van Financien, judgment of 18.9.03 (freedom of establishment/direct taxation)
- Case C-58/01 Océ van der Grinten NV v Commissioners of Inland Revenue, judgment of 25.9.03 (tax) Case C-108/01 Consorzio del Prosciutto di Parma and Salumificio S. Rita S.p.A. v Asda Stores Ltd and Hygrade Foods Ltd [2003] ECR I-5121 (legal certainty/protected designations of origin)
- Case C-444/00 The Queen on the application of Mayer Parry Recycling Ltd v The Environment Agency and Secretary of State for Environment, Transport and the Regions, [2003] ECR I 6163, [2004] 1 WLR 538, The Times 14.7.03 (waste regulation)
- Case C-378/00 Commission v European Parliament and Council, judgment of 21.1.03 (comitology)
- Case C-318/00 Bacardi-Martini SAS v Newcastle United Football Club, judgment of 21.1.03 (freedom to promote services)
- Case C-140/00 Commission v United Kingdom, judgment of 14.11.02 (fishing)
- C-122/00 Omega Air Limited v The Irish Aviation Authority [2002] 2 CMLR 143 (air transport)
- Case C-99/00 Lyckeskog v Aklagarkammeren i Uddevalla [2003] 1 WLR 9 (preliminary references)
- Case C-27/00 R v Secretary of State for the Environment, Transport and the Regions, ex parte Omega Air Limited [2002] 2 CMLR 143 (air transport)
- Case C-21/00 Hamadeh Adnan v Società Fiat Sava SpA (pending) (legal effect of directives)
- C-13/00 Commission v Ireland [2002] 2 CMLR 185 (Community competence re. international agreements)
- C-1/00 Commission v France, [2001] ECR I-9989, The Times 19.12.01 (agriculture - French ban on British beef)
- Case C-454/99 Commission v United Kingdom, judgment of 14.11.02 (common fisheries policy)
- Case C-242/99 John Vogler v Landwirtschaftliche Alterskasse Schwaben [2000] ECR I-9083 (social security)
- Case C-203/99 Henning Veedfald v Aarhus Regional Authority, judgment of 10.5.01 (defective product liability)
- Case C-89/99 V.o.f. Schieving-Nijstad v Groeneveld [2001] ECR I-5851 (TRIPs Agreement)
- T-70/99 Alpharma Inc v Council (pending) (admissibility/antibiotic additives)

- Case C-30/99 Commission v Ireland, The Times 3.9.01 (hallmarking/free movement of goods)
- T-13/99 Pfizer Animal Health SA/NV v Council (pending) (antibiotics additives)
- Case C-474/98 Clinique Grégoire SA v Direction Régionale des Impôts du Nord-Pas-de-Calais (pending) (VAT)
- Case C-392/98 Assco Gerüste GmbH v Wilhelm Layher GmbH, judgment of 14.12.00 (status of TRIPs Agreement in Community Law)
- Case C-390/98 HJ Banks v Coal Authority and Secretary of State for Trade and Industry [2001] ECR I-6117 (ECSC Treaty)
- Case C-371/98 R v Secretary of State for the Environment, Transport and the Regions, ex parte First Corporate Shipping, The Times 16.11.00 (environment)
- Case C-314/98 Snellers Autos BV v Algemeen Directeur van de Dienst Wegverkeer [2000] ECR I-8633 (technical standards)
- Case C-306/98 R v MAFF, ex parte Monsanto Plc [2001] ECR I-3279 (plant protection products/harmonisation)
- C-219/98 R v MAFF, ex parte Anastasiou [2000] ECR I-5241 (plant health regulation/international relations)
- Case C-198/98 Everson & Barrass v Secretary of State for Trade and Industry [1999] ECR I-8903 (employees' insolvency rights)
- Case C-179/98 Belgium v Mesbah [1999] ECR I-7955 (social security)
- C-168/98 Luxembourg v European Parliament and Council, judgment of 07.11.00 (lawyers' establishment directive)
- Case T-89/98 NALOO v Commission [2001] ECR II-515 (ECSC Treaty)
- Case T-85/98 Fédération Internationale de l'Automobile v Commission, order of 6.12.99 (competition law)
- Case C-81/98 Alcatel Austria AG v Bundesministerium für Wissenschaft und Verkehr [1999] ECR I-7671 (public procurement)
- Case C-61/98 De Haan Beheer BV v Inspecteur der invoerrechten en accijnzen [1999] ECR I-5003 (Customs and excise)
- Case C-8/98 Dansommer A/S v Götz [2000] ECR I-393 (Brussels Convention)
- Case C-3/98 Openbaar Ministerie v Schacht (pending) (social security)
- Case C-420/97 Leathertex Division Sintetici SpA v BVBA Bodetex, judgment of 5.10.99 (Brussels Convention)
- Case C-378/97 Wijsenbeek [1999] ECR I-6207 (free movement of persons)
- Engelbrecht [2000] ECR I-7321 (social security)
- Case C-262/97 Rijksdienst voor Pensionen v Robert
- Case C-202/97 Fitzwilliam Executive Search Limited v Bestuur van Het Landelijk Instituut Sociale Verzekeringem, [2000] ECR I-883, The Times 15.3.00 (social security)
- Case C-178/97 Barry Bank v Théâtre Royal de la Monnaie, [2000] ECR I-2005, The Times 5.4.00 (social security)
- Case C-77/97 Osterreichische Unilever v Smithkline Beecham, [1999] ECR I-431 (harmonisation)

- Case C-3/97 R v Goodwin and Unstead [1998] ECR I-3257 (VAT)
- Case C-340/96 Commission v United Kingdom, [1999] ECR I-2023 (environment)
- C-262/96 Sema Sürül v Bundesanstalt für Arbeit, [1999] ECR I-2685 (external relations)
- Case C-265/95 Commission v France [1997] ECR I-6959; The Times 11.12.97 (free movement of goods)
- Case T-228/95 S. Lehrfreund Limited v Council and Commission [1996] ECR II-111 (interim measures/international trade)
- Case T-367/94 British Coal Corporation v Commission [1998] ECR II-705 (ECSC Treaty)
- Case T-585/93 and C-321/95P Stichting Greenpeace v Commission [1995] ECR II-2205; [1998] ECR I-1651; [1998] All ER (EC) 620; [1998] 3 CMLR 1 (environment)

Public Law

Mark has a great deal of expertise in advising both public and private bodies on regulatory and public law issues. He has acted in relation to a wide variety of subject-matters, e.g.

- airports (*BAA v Competition Commission, Ryanair v Gatwick Airport*)
- banking/financial services (*Office of Fair Trading v Abbey National plc*, the "Bank Charges" case), *Barclays Bank plc v Competition Commission*)
- environment (*Electrical Waste Recycling v Reelight, R(Air Transport Association of America v Secretary of State for Energy and Climate Change)*)
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Qualifications & Further Information

Qualifications

- 1972-1985 - Kelvinside Academy Glasgow
- 1985-1988 - St. John's College Oxford, M.A. Jurisprudence
- 1988-1989 - St. John's College Oxford, B.C.L.
- 1989-1990 - Université libre de Bruxelles, Licence Spéciale en Droit Européen

Career

- Called November 1991 Gray's Inn

- Legal Secretary, Court of Justice of the European Communities, 1994-1995
- Appointed Queen's Counsel in 2009
- Chambers & Partners Competition /EU Silk of the Year 2010, 2013 and 2017
- Appointed to the Competition Commission of Hong Kong's Panel of External Senior Counsel in 2017
- GCR 2018 award for litigation defence (non-cartel)

Further Information

- Legal Secretary, Court of Justice of the European Communities, 1994-1995

Publications

- "Remedies in EC Law", (2nd edn., Sweet & Maxwell) (with M. Brealey)
- "A True European Essays for Judge David Edward" (2003, Hart) (co-editor, with William Robinson)
- "Garden Cottage Revisited: The Availability of Damages in the National Courts for Breaches of the EEC Competition Rules" [1992] 6 European Competition Law Review 257
- "EEC Banking Law: Plugging the Gaps" [1992] 2 Journal of International Banking Law 56
- "EEC Telecommunications Law: Too Much of a Good Thing?" [1992] 1 European Business Law Review 8 Case-note on Case C-188/92 TWD Textilweke [1994] Common Market Law Review 1399
- "Article 90: Deregulation and EC Law. Reflections arising from the XVI FIDE Conference" [1995] Common Market Law Review 157 (with Judge David Edward).
- National Rapporteur for 1996 FIDE Conference in Berlin, "Procedures and Sanctions in Economic Administrative Law" (with William Robinson)
- "Tilting the Balance: Supremacy and National Procedural Rules" [1996] 21 European Law Review 365
- Contributed section on "Causes of Action for Damages for Breach of Community Law" to "Butterworths Expert Guide to the European Union", edited by Monar, Neuwhal, O'Keefe and Robinson (1996)
- "The Relationship between the Action for Damages and the Award of Interim Measures", Chapter 14 of "The Action for Damages in Community Law", edited by McDonnell and Heukels (1997, Kluwer)
- "Rebirth of the Innominate Tort?", Chapter 7 of "New Directions in European Public Law", edited by Beatson and Tridimas (1998, Hart Publishing)
- Contributed to "Practitioners' Handbook of EC Law", edited by Barling and Brealey (1998, Trenton Publishing)
- "Preliminary References to the ECJ: Some Practical Pointers" (2002) JR 162
- Contributed Chapter entitled "EC Free Movement Rules and Sport" to "Sport: Law and Practice", edited by Lewis and Taylor (2nd ed, Tottel Publishing)
- "Suing the HL in Damages: Career Suicide or Community Law Right?" [2004] JR 278

Directory Quotes

Cited as a Leading Practitioner in the areas of EU and Competition, Administrative and Public Law and Sport by Chambers and Partners, in EU and Competition by Legal 500, and in Competition Law by Chambers Global.

- "Mark is one of the go-to people on a competition damages case; he has done a great job for us. He identifies key points, and has experience like no other." (Chambers & Partners 2024)
- "Mark is still the best in the business when it matters the most. He is forensic, astute and accomplished." (Chambers & Partners 2024)
- "His cross-examination and advocacy are perfect - he was succinct, persuasive and ultimately it was quite devastating." (Chambers & Partners 2024)
- "His advocacy style is brilliant, he makes things simple and straightforward." (Chambers & Partners 2024)
- "One of the most effective advocates I have worked with, particularly in terms of his ability to present issues well and charm the court." (Chambers & Partners 2024)
- "Mark has a brilliant advocacy style and makes things simple and straightforward." (Chambers & Partners 2024)
- "Mark remains one of the very best, if not the best, in his field of expertise. He cuts through complexity and is concise and precise in his written and oral advocacy." (Legal 500 2024)
- "Mark is an excellent advocate. He's very focused in his approach and he anticipates what the judges want to know. He has a lovely manner in court and is never rattled." (Chambers & Partners 2023)
- "Mark is at the top of his game. He has laser-like insight: he can cut through information to get to the key issues of the case. A great oral style and excellent on his feet." "Mark has this way of making things simple for his clients." "He is intelligent, user-friendly, engaging and a creative thinker. He has been a great strategic support as well as getting the grasp of the legal arguments." (Chambers & Partners 2022)
- "An intellectual powerhouse but at the same time delivers clear, down-to-earth advice for clients." (Legal 500 2022)
- "Hoskins is the best barrister I know at reducing things to the most concise and effective arguments." "He is one of the best competition silks at the Bar: he is understated, and an incredibly effective advocate who picks the points he wants to pursue, simplifies them and pursues them." (Chambers & Partners 2021)
- "An excellent advocate and obvious star of the competition bar." (Legal 500 2021)
- "First-class advocate Mark Hoskins KC stands out for his excellent track record handling abuse of dominance investigations." (Who's Who Legal - UK Bar: Competition 2020)
- "Has an outstanding practice in the field of competition damages, and has acted in significant claims concerning financial services providers, power cable suppliers and trucks manufacturers. He has also further defended CMA decisions on abuse of dominance in the pharmaceuticals sector." "Decisive, clear and persuasive, he is at the top of the game in terms of competition litigation." "He has a very measured advocacy style that judges lap up." "Mark

is able to distil complicated concepts into very persuasive arguments." "He never wastes a word; his advice is focused and he always makes incredibly sharp and succinct submissions." (Chambers & Partners UK & Global 2020)

- "Creative as a defense advocate in follow-on cases." (Legal 500 2020)
- Mark Hoskins KC is "a very good advocate" who many respondents consider their "go-to counsel". One source says, "Mark is excellent on abuse of dominance matters." (Who's Who Legal - Competition 2019)
- Mark Hoskins KC is one of the top silks at the Bar. He draws praise as "a leading competition barrister" who is "unflappable and highly experienced", and who "inspires confidence". (Who's Who Legal - UK Bar: Competition 2019)
- "His strategic calls are excellent and his cross-examination skills are amazing." "He is able to anticipate the arguments the other side will put and to focus on the most important parts of the case." (Chambers & Partners UK & Global 2019)
- "Down to earth and well regarded, he is technically very strong and an astute strategist." (Legal 500 2018-19)
- The "excellent" Mark Hoskins KC is a go-to silk for complex competition litigation. He has deep experience before the Competition Appeal Tribunal and is recognised as "the leading competition law silk at the Bar today". One peer says, "Clients love him and he has excellent judgement." (Who's Who Legal - UK Bar: Competition 2018)
- Mark Hoskins KC is "one of the top names in competition litigation and always in demand". One leading peer comments: "He is one of the best – super-smart, a very good advocate and someone who has the judge's complete trust." (Who's Who Legal - Competition 2018)
- "His advocacy in court is excellent. He has a smooth style, which judges respond to. He has a good cross-examination style and judges trust his presentation of the case." (Chambers & Partners 2018)
- "His advocacy in court is excellent and he has a good cross-examination style." "For follow-on damages claims, he is the best in that space." (Chambers & Partners 2018)
- "He has an encyclopaedic knowledge of EU law and is fantastic on the details." (Chambers & Partners 2018)
- "Charming, exceptional and measured; a real star." (Legal 500 2017)
- "Mark Hoskins KC is regarded as "the best at the set" by several respondents, who highlight his "elegant yet robust advocacy style". He is often acts as lead counsel on some of the most high-profile cases before the UK and EU authorities, including Sainsbury's recent damages action against MasterCard." (Who's Who Legal - UK Bar: Competition 2017)
- "Very commercial and very impressive, he's a man who believes in the quality of his advice." (Chambers & Partners 2017)
- "Extremely user-friendly and easily reachable for consultations. He is extremely sharp, instantly sees the key arguments and has an admirably clear and crisp style of drafting." (Chambers & Partners 2017)
- "Mark is very succinct and to the point in his advice and submissions to the court. He's technically excellent and a very effective advocate." (Chambers & Partners 2017)
- "An excellent tactician, who is very strong and creative as a defence advocate." (Legal 500

2016)

- Mark Hoskins KC is referred to as 'gold standard' for competition law. He is 'extremely knowledgeable, incisive and a highly skilled analytical advocate', according to one source. (Who's Who Legal 2016)
- "He is direct and to the point but also very good at working within a team. He's not afraid to get stuck in and really get involved in the detail." (Chambers & Partners 2016)
- "Bright and arguably the leading competition silk around." (Chambers & Partners 2016)
- "Universally lauded for his work on some of the most high-profile competition cases. He is appreciated by those that instruct for having a combination of technical excellence and an approachable and client-friendly manner." (Chambers & Partners 2016)
- "He ably leads big teams of top individuals and he's very nice and polite to the client." (Chambers & Partners 2016)
- "Mark is strategic, clever, organised and he's good at setting traps for the other side." (Chambers & Partners 2016)
- "Absolutely first rate: incredibly bright and to the point." (Legal 500 2015)
- "Mark Hoskins KC is a "firm favourite" among instructing solicitors. Acting for both private clients and public bodies, his recent high-profile experience includes AstraZeneca v Commission and National Grid v ABB." (Who's Who Legal UK Bar 2015)
- "Mark Hoskins KC is a "standout" lawyer whose work is "sharp and accurate". He "truly adds value" to cases, according to clients." (Who's Who Legal UK Bar 2015)
- "Handles public law proceedings on behalf of both private claimants and governmental bodies, typically in relation to EU law. He is also a noted authority in the field of competition law." (Chambers & Partners 2015)
- "He is obviously very good indeed." (Chambers & Partners 2015)
- "The toast of many a client due to his excellent legal analysis and accessibility, Hoskins is singled out for his advocacy skills as well as his strong competition law focus. A veteran of more than 80 cases before the ECJ and Court of First Instance, he has also been a regular before the CAT, acting for both public bodies and private clients." (Chambers & Partners 2015)
- "Incredibly clever, quick, user-friendly and accessible. He is light years ahead of virtually everyone else." "He is commercially very sound and produces succinct, forensic paperwork and crystal-clear arguments." (Chambers & Partners 2015)
- "Rated highly for EU and competition law. He is held in high esteem by peers and clients alike, who praise not only his proficiency, but also his user-friendly attitude." (Chambers & Partners 2015)
- "When bringing him in on a case that was an intellectual bramble patch, he exhibited a very clear mind and provided razor-sharp advocacy." (Chambers & Partners 2015)
- "He knows the law back to front, and isn't afraid to deliver bad news or defend unwelcome positions." (The Legal 500 2014)
- "'Team player' Mark Hoskins KC 'knows the law backwards', and is 'very good at managing huge and complex cases'." (Legal 500 2013)
- "Mark Hoskins KC's public law practice intersects with his extensive competition and EU law

capabilities. Solicitors instruct Hoskins as he offers "really incisive and unemotional analysis and his drafting is incredibly crisp. He is a really interesting pleader." " (Chambers & Partners 2013)

- "The highly rated and "superbright" Mark Hoskins KC shines out as someone who is really making great strides in the competition and EU law world. Instructing solicitors see him as adding value as he is "in so high an intellectual stratosphere" and is also "an excellent advocate" when in court." (Chambers & Partners 2013)
- "can proudly boast a significant footprint in the sports sector. Sports clients are keen to highlight his suitability for cases involving freedom of movement issues." (Chambers UK 2012)
- "frighteningly good" (Chambers UK 2012)
- "Clients point to his "intuitive grasp of the law and calmness in the face of the thorniest of issues" " (Chambers & Partners 2011)
- "he is a vastly reassuring presence who lies firmly at the brilliant end of the scale." (Chambers & Partners 2010)
- "he's the kind of barrister clients love because he provides clear, simple and straightforward advice" (Chambers & Partners, 2009)
- "quite simply excellent" (Chambers & Partners, 2008)

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