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Mark focuses on divorce and family law, in particular international cases and those involving trusts. He also deals with pre-nuptial and pre-civil partnership agreements.

Mark also acts in international children's cases, including relocation cases. His Court of Appeal case of *K v K* helped to shape the law on relocation. In *S v S*, Mark achieved relocation but also change of primary carer for the children.

Mark was ranked one of the top ten UK family lawyers in Spear's Wealth Managements' Family law index 2017, 2018, and 2019 and was described as *"without doubt the best technician in London"*. He was also ranked in The Lawyer's 'Hot 100 lawyers' under Family and Private Client and is listed among the Top 10 Family & Matrimonial Lawyers in Citywealth's Leaders List and Spear's Family Law Index's 'Top Flight Family Lawyers'. Mark is also listed in Tatler Address Book's *Advisory* as one of the leading family lawyers in their trusted network of influential and elite private client experts with *"gilt-edged"* expertise.

Mark is the co-author of three leading textbooks on family law: International Trust and Divorce Litigation (Third Edition), Same Sex Marriage and Civil Partnership – The New Law, and Model Letters for Family Lawyers, all published by Jordans. Sir James Munby, President of the Family Division, in a review of International Trust and Divorce Litigation said *"This is a book which needs to be in the bookcase and in the briefcase of everyone involved on a divorce case with a trust element"*.

Mark is a regular commentator on family law issues in the press and TV, having appeared on BBC News and Radio 4's Today programme. He regularly lectures in England and in offshore jurisdictions on a broad range of family law issues, especially trusts on divorce and pre-nuptial agreements, and was the European Chapter President of the International Academy of Family Lawyers between 2014 and 2016.

Mark continues to have a strong presence in the UK's top legal directories. Chambers UK 2021 reconfirms Mark's Band 1 ranking and praises him for having *"run the biggest cases"* and being *"excellent"*, *"absolutely superb and very commercial"*. The Guide also adds that *"he's really just at the top of his game"* and *"is one of those people who you know is thinking all the time and thinking about the next step"*. Chambers UK 2020 reconfirmed Mark's Band 1 ranking and highlighted his long-standing knowledge of trusts and particularly complex points of family law as well as his significant strength in multi-jurisdictional matters in Europe and beyond. Mark retains his Band 1 ranking in Chambers HNW 2021. The Guide highlights he has *"a very comprehensive knowledge of the law, especially international law"*, *"has great expertise when trusts come into play"* and is *"technically superb"*. Chambers HNW 2020 reconfirmed his Band 1 ranking, noting he *"handles matrimonial cases, with particular expertise in international cases involving trusts"* and *"also advises high net worth clients on pre- and post-nuptial agreements"*. The Guide also praises Mark for being *"one of those people who you know is thinking all the time, so he is strategising, he is calming the client. He is thinking about the next step and definitely top tier"*.

The Legal 500 UK 2021 reconfirms Mark's ranking as a 'Leading Individual' and praises his *"tremendous litigation experience"* as a *"family law super star"* who *"has been handling huge cases for many, many years"*. The Legal 500 UK 2020 recognised Mark as a 'Leading Individual', describing him as a *"sensible and constructive"* highly regarded individual and *"a brilliant lawyer who does the biggest cases"*.

Mark has a keen interest in architecture, foreign travel and classic cars. Mark studied at Pembroke College, Oxford and Guildhall University, London. He qualified as a solicitor in 1988 and was a partner at Withers from 1999 until September 2014, when he joined Hughes Fowler Carruthers.



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OUR REPORTED CASES

We make every effort to settle cases but if litigation is necessary we are very expert in:

- Potanin v Potanina [2019] EWHC 2956 (Fam)
- Rogan v Rogan (2019) EWHC 814 (Fam)
- W v H (2019) EWFC B19
- Pierburg v Pierburg [2019] EWFC 24
- Timokhina v Timokhin [2019] EWCA Civ 1284
- AF v SF [2019] EWHC 1224 (Fam)
- MB v TB [2018] EWHC 2035 (Fam)
- Rogan v Rogan [2018] EWHC 2512 (Fam)
- AVR (Children) [2018] EWHC 2771 (Fam)
- Mantegazza v Mantegazza [2017] EWHC 3811 (Fam)
- GvS [2017] EWHC 365 (Fam)
- Bezeliansky v Bezelianskaya [2017] EWCA Civ 76
- MG v FG (Schedule 1 - Application to strike out Estoppel Legal Costs Funding) [2016] EWHC 1964 (Fam)
- Juffali v Juffali [2016] EWHC 1684 (Fam)
- De Renee v Galbraith-Marten [2016] EWCA Civ 537
- TM v AH [2016] EWHC 572 (Fam)
- Estrada v Al-Juffali [2016] EWHC 213 (Fam)
- Al-Juffali v Estrada & Another [2016] EWCA Civ 176
- Work v Gray [2016] EWHC 562 (Fam)
- Work v Gray [2016] EWCA Civ 286
- BD v FD (No 2) [2016] EWHC 594 (Fam)
- Re C (Older Children - Relocation) [2015] EWCA Civ 1298
- WA v Executors of the Estate of HA & Others [2015] EWHC 2233 (Fam)
- Gray v Work [2015] EWHC 834 (Fam)
- Arif v Anwar [2015] EWHC 124 (Fam)
- BD v FD (Maintenance) [2014] EWHC 4443 (Fam)
- Arif v Anwar [2014] EWHC 4669 (Fam)
- Luckwell v Limata [2014] EWHC 1035 (Fam)
- Luckwell v Limata [2014] EWHC 502 (Fam)
- MvW [2014] EWHC 925 (Fam)
- Evans v Evans [2013] EWHC 506 (FAM)
- Young v Young [2013] EWHC 34 (Fam)
- Tchenguiz-Imerman v Imerman [2013] 3627 (Fam)
- Mohan v Mohan [2013] EWCA Civ 586
- Arif v Anwar & Anor [2013] EWCH 624 (Fam)
- Mohan v Mohan [2013] EWCA Civ 586
- Tchenguiz-Imerman v Imerman [2012] EWCH 4277 (Fam)
- Evans v Evans [2012] EWCA Civ 1293
- Sofia Arif v (1) Arif Anwar Zar (2) Raziz Rehan [2012] EWCA Civ 986
- Av (1) B (2) C [2012] EWCA Civ 285
- Vv V [2011] EWHC 1190 (Fam)
- Ilya Golubovich v Elena Golubovich [2011] EWCA Civ 479
- Elena Golubovich v Ilya Golubovich [2011] EWCA Civ 528
- Golubovich v Mirimskaya [2010] EWCA Civ 1519
- Marano v Marano [2010] EWCA Civ 119
- Ahmed v Khan [2010] EWCA Civ 290



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- HvH (Financial Relief) [2010] EWHC 158 (Fam) [2010] 1 FLR 1864
- Sally Ann Lykiardopulo (Appellant) v Panaghis Nicholas Fotis Lykiardopulo (Respondent) & Michael Lykiardopulo (Interested Party) [2010] EWCA Civ 1315
- (1) Robert Tchenguiz (2) Vincent Tchenguiz (3) Tim McClean (4) Nouri Obayda (5) Sarosh Zaiwalla v Vivian Imerman: Vivian Saul Imerman v Elizabeth Tchenguiz Imerman [2010] EWCA Civ 908 . W v W [2010] EWHC 1843 (Fam)
- Golubovich v Golubovich [2010] EWCA Civ 810
- Elizabeth Tchenguiz Imerman v Vivian Saul Imerman [2010] EWHC 64 (Fam)
- Elizabeth Tchenguiz Imerman v Vivian Saul Imerman [2009] EWHC 3486 (Fam)
- Marano v Marano [2009] EWCA Civ 967
- VvV (Financial Relief) [2009] EWHC 2901 (Fam)
- Iqbal Mubarik v the United Kingdom [2009] ECHR 1437
- Bokor-Ingram v Bokor-Ingram [2009] EWCA Civ 412; [2009] 2 FLR 922
- Mubarak v Mubarik [2008] JRC 136 [2009] 1 FLR 664
- MacLeod v MacLeod (2008) UKPC 64; [2009] 3 WLR 437
- AB V JLB [2008] EWHC 2965 (Fam)
- Alexandra Ella v Yuval Ella & Ors [2008] EWHC 3258 (Ch) . IvI [2008] EWHC 1167 (Fam)
- PvP [2007] EWHC 2877 (Fam)
- Mia Holman v Graham Anthony Kingston Howes [2007] EWCA Civ 877
- Hv H (2007) EWHC 459 (Fam) .Lv (1) L (2) H (a firm) [2007] EWHC 140 (QB)
- Mubarak v Mubarik [2007] EWHC 220 (Fam)
- SvS [2006] EWHC 2793 (Fam)
- Mubarak v Mubarik [2006] EWHC 1260 (Fam)
- Mia Holman v Graham Anthony Kingston Howes [2005] EWHC 2824 (Ch)
- Mark v Mark [2005] UKHL 42; [2005] 2 FLR 1193
- Moore v Moore [2004] EWCA Civ 1243
- Mubarak v Mubarik [2004] EWHC 1158 (Fam); [2004] 2 FLR 932
- Mv M [2004] EWCA Civ 168 . Cv FC (Children Proceedings: Costs) [2004] 1 FLR 362 . C v FC (Brussels II: Free-Standing Application for Parental Responsibility) [2004] 1 FLR 317
- W v W (Financial Provision: Form E) [2003] EWHC 2254 (Fam)
- Mubarak v Mubarak [2003] 2 FLR 553; [2002] EWHC 2171 (Fam)
- SvS [2002] EWHC 223 (Fam)