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Kurt Hansson is the global vice-chairman of the Paul Hastings Litigation practice and has been managing more than 300 litigators worldwide for the past 13 years. He is based in the firm's New York office. Mr. Hansson has over 33 years of first chair trial and arbitration experience. His practice is principally concentrated in complex litigation matters, and governmental and internal investigations. Mr. Hansson is known for his creative and practical approach to resolving complex legal disputes for the firm's most important clients.

Mr. Hansson also has extensive knowledge and experience in various forms of alternative dispute resolution matters. He was instrumental in establishing GE's Early Dispute Resolution and Early Case Assessment program and has helped develop similar programs for many other Fortune 500 clients. These programs are specifically designed to help reduce litigation costs and liabilities for clients by identifying litigation risks and potential business solutions early in the dispute process.

Mr. Hansson is a member of the state and federal bars in the states of Connecticut and New York, as well as the District of Columbia. He is also a member of the bars of the New York Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit, Third Circuit, and the United States Supreme Court.

Recent Representations

- Representing a Japanese drug company in an ICC arbitration on a multi-billion dollar licensing dispute concerning certain royalty payments
- Successfully argued a Third Circuit Appeal affirming the dismissal of a significant RICO claim against GSK
- Won on appeal the issue of enforcement of an arbitration provision in a limited partnership dispute on behalf of Lehman Brothers Holdings
- Represented Star China in a HKIAC arbitration seated in Hong Kong against a European licensor of one of the most popular television programs in the world
- Successfully represented UBS in multiple court and FINRA arbitrations relating

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Practice Areas

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Arbitration
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Securities Litigation
Litigation

Admissions

New York Bar
District of Columbia Bar
Connecticut Bar

Education

American University
Washington College of Law,
J.D. 1986
Tufts University, B.A. 1980

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to auction rate securities

- Served as co-lead counsel for the Republic of the Philippines in connection with the recovery of state-related assets
- Successfully settled thousands of mass tort cases brought against Plaza Realty arising out of the rescue and clean-up of the World Trade Center
- Successfully represented GE for the past 33 years in a wide range of complex commercial matters around the world

Education

- The American University - Washington College of Law, J.D., 1986 (Note and Comment Editor for the American University Journal of International Law and Policy)
- Tufts University, B.A. in Political Science, 1980

News

April 08, 2015

Paul Hastings Pens Amicus Brief for Senators Urging the Court to Uphold President Obama's Immigration Executive Actions

May 20, 2007

Paul Hastings Attorneys Recognized as Super Lawyers in Southern California, Connecticut, Georgia, New York, San Diego and Washington, D.C.

Insights

June 22, 2016

The Delaware Supreme Court Provides Guidance to the Second Circuit Regarding Investor Holder Claims

May 14, 2015

Delaware Supreme Court Holds That a Non-Exculpated Claim Against Independent Directors Must Be Pled to Survive Motion to Dismiss, Irrespective of Applicable Standard of Review for Board's Conduct

Rankings & Awards

October 10, 2019

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Recognized by Public Counsel's Center for Veteran's Advancement