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Bars and Courts

Brussels Bar (E list), 1999

England and Wales, 1996

Appointed Queen's Counsel, 1988

New York State Bar, 1977

Faculty of Advocates (Scottish Bar), 1972

Education

MCL, New Orleans, Louisiana, Tulane University, 1969

LLB, University of Glasgow, 1967

MA, History and English Literature, University of Glasgow, 1965

Languages

English

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German

Citizenship

British

Practice Experience

Ian Forrester advises companies, as well as sovereign states and other governmental authorities, industry associations and private individuals, on European Union law, especially competition law, trade law, customs, internal market rules, intellectual property and constitutional rights in a variety of sectors, including broadcasting, chemicals, information technology, pharmaceuticals, software and sport.

Clients on whose behalf he has acted before national courts, national competition authorities, the European General Court and the European Court of Justice or the European Commission include the BBC, Canon, DuPont, the European Commission, GlaxoSmithKline, the Government of Gibraltar, the Liberal Democrat Party, Microsoft, Pfizer, Scottish Football Association, Toshiba, Toyota, UEFA and Union Carbide, as well as a number of private individuals, civil servants and their families.

He has been involved in a number of leading cases, including Magill, IMS and Microsoft (compulsory licensing), Bosman (transfer of professional football players), Syfait v. GlaxoSmithKline (parallel trade), Pfizer Animal Health (the precautionary principle) and A. v. National Blood Authority (whether blood transfusions causing hepatitis C were a "defective" "product").

He also practices trade law, having handled numerous customs and anti-dumping cases at both administrative and appeal stages, as well as a number of WTO matters. He has served as an arbitrator in ICC and ICSID proceedings.

Ian Forrester is the head of the Firm's Global Pro Bono practice. He has particular experience representing individuals and companies on questions of human rights as recognized by the European Convention on Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms. The Convention is respected both by the European Union courts in Luxembourg and the ECtHR in Strasbourg. Notable cases include defending a journalist against attempts by Belgium and the European Commission to force him to reveal his sources, and various challenges to how the European Commission conducts competition cases. He has published a number of academic articles on the latter topic which has become increasingly important in light of the Lisbon Treaty, which from December 2009 made the case law of the Strasbourg court binding on the Luxembourg courts. He has forty years of involvement in pro bono work, going back to working on the successful appeal to the US Second Circuit Court of Appeals in 1971 on behalf of Louis Henry Burns, who was wrongly convicted on the basis of a coerced confession. See Burns v. LaVallee, 436 F.2d 1352 (2d Cir. 1970).

In 1981, Ian Forrester co-founded with Christopher Norall the Brussels EC law firm of Forrester & Norall, which subsequently became Forrester

Norall & Sutton and merged with White & Case in 1998.

Ian Forrester regularly lectures on European law and policy. He has written numerous articles and chapters on competition law, legal privilege, science and good regulatory practice, trade policy, customs and dumping.

Chambers & Partners (2011) recommend lan Forrester as a "stand out figure" whose success has been founded on the "impressive quality" of his work. Chambers also highlight his "ability to swiftly get to grips with nuances of clients' individual sectors". Clients confirm Mr. Forrester's knowledge and expertise in the pharmaceutical sector "have been really helpful" and also note his "solid expertise" within the software and technology sectors. Mr. Forrester is also applauded by the Legal 500 (2011) as a "trusted adviser offering thoughtful and insightful advice" to clients.

Publications

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Professional Associations

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