

# Lawrence W. Newman



Lawrence Newman practices mainly in the areas of international litigation and arbitration. He represents clients in courts and before arbitration tribunals, and has served as arbitrator in cases under the rules of the American Arbitration Association (the International Centre for Dispute Resolution) and the International Chamber of Commerce. He is co-editor of several publications including International Arbitration Checklists and The Leading Arbitrators' Guide to International Arbitration. Mr. Newman has also lectured on international litigation and arbitration before bar and law school

audiences in the US and abroad. He founded the New York Litigation Department together with the late Professor Henry de Vries.

# Areas of Expertise:

- COMMERCIAL DISPUTES
- RICO
- SECURITIES/FINANCIAL SERVICES

# **Practice Focus:**

Mr. Newman has represented clients in trial and appellate courts across the US in a variety of matters involving contract and fraud disputes, as well as violations of federal securities law and the RICO Act. He is highly regarded for leading the New York Litigation Department in representing more claimants against the government of Iran arising out of the revolution there than any other law office in the world.

# **Representative Legal Matters:**

- Represented clients in over 25 claims before the Iran-US Claims Tribunal in The Hague and brought first law suit against Iran in the United States in the Southern District of New York, for client Reading & Bates Drilling Corporation.
- Successfully represented all oil service company claimants before all nine members of the Hague Tribunal against the National Iranian Oil Company (NIOC) in a test case to determine the liability of NIOC for contracts entered into by the Oil Service Company of Iran, which had been owned by a consortium of foreign oil companies before being taken over by Iran.
- Successfully represented BellSouth International in fraud claim in arbitration against Compagnie Generale des Eaux.
- Lead counsel in successful arbitration by Swiss nuclear power company against US supplier of uranium fuel. terminating long-term supply contract on basis of frustration and mutual mistake.
- Defended Latvian bank in lawsuit brought by thousands of alleged victims of what was claimed to be the largest internet fraud in history, with damages sought of over USD200 million.



### **Professional Associations and Memberships:**

- College of Commercial Arbitrators Fellow
- American Law Institute Members Consultative Group for International Commercial Arbitration
- New York City Bar Association Chair, International Commercial Disputes Committee, 2004-2008)
- International Institute for Conflict Prevention & Resolution (CPR) Chair, Arbitration Committee
- American Bar Association
- International Bar Association
- New York State Bar Association
- Union Internationale des Avocats
- American Society of International Law
- American Branch of the International Law Association Chair, Committee on International Judicial Integrity
- American Foreign Law Association

#### Admission:

- U.S. Supreme Court~United States (1976)
- New York~United States (1965)
- District of Columbia~United States (1961)

#### Education:

- Harvard Law School (J.D.) (1960)
- Harvard University (B.A.) (1957)