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EU Court of Justice annuls sanctions imposed on former Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak and Family



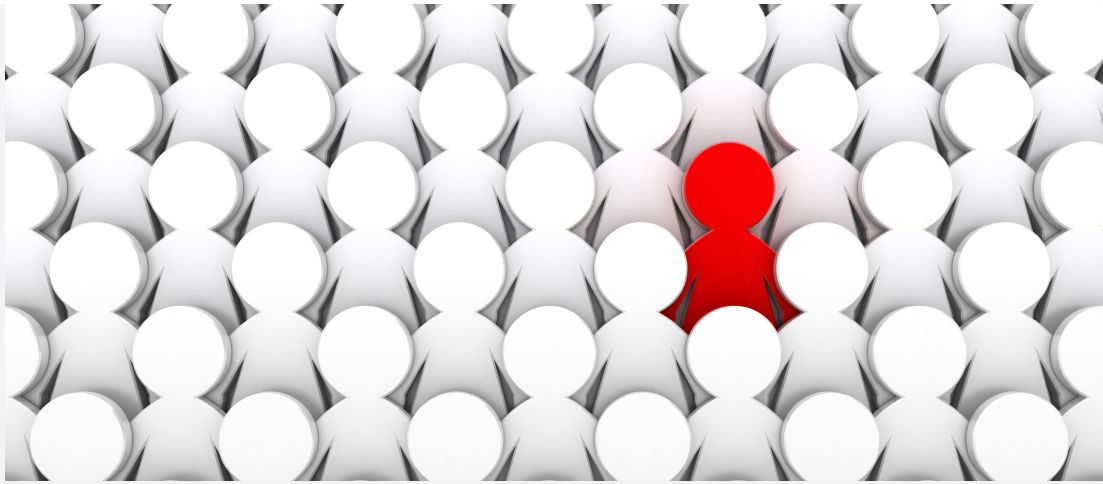
The highest court in the European Union, the Court of Justice of the EU (CJEU), has annulled sanctions imposed on the late former President of Egypt, Mohamed Hosni Elsayed Mubarak, and members of his family, ruling that the sanctions were unlawful from the outset. [Read more](#)

The Mubarak family are advised by [Guy Martin](#), [Charles Enderby Smith](#) and [François Holmey](#).

Red Notice - Not Just a Hollywood Movie

[Jennifer Harvey](#)

The hype around the upcoming 2021 release of the Netflix film, "Red Notice" starring Gal Gadot and Dwayne Johnson seems palpable at the moment. No doubt some of the excitement will be due to the fact that there has been a hiatus on Hollywood films being produced as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic.



Yet much of the anticipation of the action film, with the plot centred on a search for a notorious art thief who is the subject of an Interpol Red Notice is based on the public's eagerness to live vicariously through the exciting lives of international criminals and the agents who hunt them down. The film's synopsis sounds much more Hollywood than real life. [Read more](#)

Carter-Ruck is representing Caitlin McNamara, the curator of the inaugural Hay Festival in Abu Dhabi in relation to her assault at the hands of Sheikh Nahyan bin Mubarak Al Nahyan, the UAE's Minister of Tolerance in February 2020.

Ms McNamara's case was widely reported in the media, including as the main story in [The Sunday Times](#) on 18 October 2020. The Carter-Ruck team has been engaging with the Crown Prosecution Service and other official bodies in seeking a just outcome for Ms McNamara.

Ms McNamara is advised by [Cameron Doley](#), [François Holme](#)y and [Amber Courtier](#).



Former Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak and Family Removed From EU Sanctions List

The late former President of Egypt, Mohamed Hosni Mubarak, has been removed by the EU Council from its list of designated individuals under its Egyptian sanctions regime. The EU Council has also delisted Hosni Mubarak's wife, Suzanne Thabet, as well as their two sons, Alaa and Gamal Mubarak, and their two wives, Heidy Rasekh and Khadiga El Gammal.

The decision of the EU Council finally to de-list the Mubaraks vindicates the position the family has consistently held from the outset: that the sanctions were unlawful and should never have been imposed on them. [Read more](#)

The Mubarak family are advised by [Guy Martin](#), [Charles Enderby Smith](#) and [François Holme](#)y.



Landmark \$35 million refugee donation

Qatari businessman and philanthropist Sheikh Thani Bin Abdullah Bin Thani Al-Thani has donated more than \$35 million to the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees to help provide aid to Rohingya refugees in Bangladesh and displaced Yemenis. The donation is the largest ever provided to the UNHCR by an individual. [Read more](#)

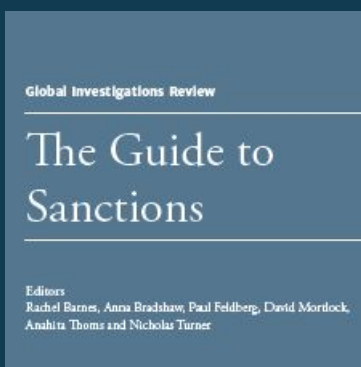
Sheikh Thani is advised by [Cameron Doley](#).



The Second Impeachment: Was it practical in these circumstances?

[Amber Courtier](#)

The attack on the US Capitol on 6 January 2021 stunned the world and initiated debate on the parameters of free speech and the politicisation of social media. Although there were clearly many issues at play on that day, former President Donald Trump's second impeachment inquiry and trial pointed to his activity online and the speech he made that day as incitement of the events that followed. [Read more](#)



Global Investigations Review: The Guide to Sanctions (First Edition) featuring Carter-Ruck

Carter-Ruck are pleased to be contributors to the First Edition of Global Investigations Review's Guide to Sanctions published in August 2020. [Download the Sanctions Guide](#)

The UN Sanctions chapter was co-written by Carter-Ruck partner [Guy Martin](#) and senior associate [Charles Enderby Smith](#).



Sanctions - a Global Snapshot

Charles Enderby Smith

While no doubt an important instrument in the geological tool box for some time, the proliferation of targeted sanctions over recent years has been hard not to notice.

More and more, governments and supranational bodies around the world are turning to sanctions as a means of pursuing their foreign policy objectives. [Read more](#)



UK implements first autonomous sanctions for human rights abuses

The UK left the EU on 31 January 2020 and, pursuant to the Withdrawal Agreement, [1] EU law, including EU sanctions, will continue to apply to the UK until 31 December 2020. [Read more](#)

This article was co-written by [Guy Martin](#), [Charles Enderby Smith](#) and [Magali Sharma](#) (Carter-Ruck), [Brian Kennelly QC](#) and [Jason Pobjoy](#) (Blackstone Chambers).



Call for Lifting of Sanctions

Guy Martin

The UN's Special Rapporteur on the Right to Food has called (31 March 2020) for the immediate lifting of international sanctions to prevent hunger crises in countries hit by the COVID-19 pandemic. [Read more](#)

Anti-SLAPP legislation used to dismiss libel claim against Al Jazeera

Claire Gill

On 16 February 2021 Carter-Ruck client Al Jazeera Media Network won a motion to dismiss a defamation claim brought by the Rebel News Network Ltd in Ontario. Rebel News, a right-wing news organisation, sued over allegations broadcast by Al Jazeera on its "Listening Post" programme in September 2019.

The motion was brought under the "anti-SLAPP" legislation in Ontario under its Courts of Justice Act and was an application for an order dismissing the action as being a strategic lawsuit against public participation ("SLAPP"). [Read more](#)



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Legal 500 reported 'Carter-Ruck well warrants its position in the International arbitration field' and 'the International team is extremely engaged, responsive and communicative.'

Carter-Ruck's other core practice areas - Reputation Mangement & Defamation and Commercial Litigation - also continue to be commended.

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The Hague Rules for Business and Human Rights Arbitration

[François Holmey](#)

On 12 December, with all eyes on the British general election, few would have noticed the announcement of a new set of arbitral rules for business and human rights disputes. Yet the Hague Rules on Business and Human Rights Arbitration, launched at the Peace Palace in the Hague, are a significant milestone in the developing relationship between business and human rights. [Read more](#)

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