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Procedural law. Domestic and international arbitration. Economic criminal law. Private international law.

Head of the Litigation Department. Leads a team of experts in conflict and dispute resolution, before both the ordinary courts and ad hoc arbitral tribunals and those administered by the most relevant national and international arbitration courts.

Regularly publishes articles on various matters relating to his practice areas.

He has extensive international experience, having worked in law firms and companies in Great Britain, France and Italy, with whom he still maintains a professional relationship.

PRACTICE AREAS

- Procedural law
- Domestic and international arbitration
- Economic criminal law
- Private international law

EDUCATION

- University of Barcelona, Law Degree (1989-1994)
- First cycle of doctoral studies at the University of Barcelona. Procedural Law (1996)
- First cycle of doctoral studies at the University of Barcelona. Private International Law (1996)
- Various specialization programs in procedural, arbitration, private international and insolvency matters, among others.

LANGUAGES

Spanish, Catalan, English, French, Italian.

ORGANIZATIONS

- Arbitrator. Member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (MCIArb).
- Arbitrator. Admitted to the European Arbitration Association.
- Arbitrator. Admitted to the Barcelona Court of Arbitration.
- Arbitrator. Admitted to the Arbitral Tribunal of the Italian Chamber of Commerce in Barcelona.
- Member of the Union Internationale des Avocats (UIA). Chair of the National Committee.
- Member of the Associazione Internazionale Giuristi di Lingua Italiana (AIGLI). Vice-President.
- Member of the Spanish and Ibero-American Arbitration Club.
- Member of the CEIA Dispute Boards Committee.
- Member of the Association for the Promotion of Arbitration (AFA).
- Member of its Board of Directors.
- Member of the Arbitration Committee of the Barcelona Bar Association.

TEACHING (among other lectures delivered)

- Lecturer on Damages at the Instituto Superior de Derecho y Economia (ISDE).
- Lecturer for the course: "Management of a Real Estate Development in Crisis" in the Degree: MMC - Master in Construction Management. Legal Area of La Salle. Ramon Llull University.

PUBLICATIONS (Among others)

- AA VV: "Spanisches Handelsrecht".
- AA VV: "Termination of agency contract: termination indemnity" published by the CRInt (COMMISSIONE RAPPORTI INTERNAZIONALI) of the Milan Bar Association (Ordine degli Avvocati di Milano).
- AA VV: "Termination of franchising and distribution agreements", ed. Giuffre Editore, Milano.
- AA VV: "Vertical block exemption regulation 720/2022 and national authorities antitrust case law in Europe" published by the CRInt (COMMISSIONE RAPPORTI INTERNAZIONALI) of the Milan Bar Association (Ordine degli Avvocati di Milano) 2025.

Arbitration

- Representation of a Spanish engineering company in an arbitration proceeding before the Arbitral Tribunal of the Geneva Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Services relating to the design and construction of a photovoltaic power plant. Claim and counterclaim: EUR 21,680,820.
- Representation of a German industrial company in an arbitration proceeding before the ICC Paris, relating to the termination and liquidation of a commercial distribution agreement. Amount in dispute: EUR 2,500,000.
- Representation of a Spanish first-division football club in an arbitration proceeding before TAS / CAS relating to the termination and liquidation of a representation agreement. Amount in dispute: EUR 800,000.
- Representation of a Spanish company in an arbitration proceeding before the Barcelona Arbitral Tribunal relating to the design, construction and commissioning of an aquarium.
- Representation of a Spanish company in an arbitration proceeding before the Barcelona Arbitral Tribunal relating to corporate matters. Amount in dispute (company): EUR 8,000,000.
- Representation of a Spanish company in an arbitration proceeding before the Barcelona Arbitral Tribunal relating to a service-station branding agreement. Amount in dispute: undetermined.
- Representation of a Spanish company in an arbitration proceeding before the Barcelona Arbitral Tribunal relating to distribution and courier services. Amount in dispute: undetermined.
- Multiple arbitration proceedings before WIPO and REDEs relating to domain-name issues.
- Multiple arbitration proceedings before transport arbitration boards.

Ordinary courts:
Construction

- Representation of a Spanish developer in ordinary court proceedings relating to the construction of a building development. Claim and counterclaim. Amount in dispute: EUR 8,500,000.
- Representation of a German developer in ordinary court proceedings relating to the construction of two residential buildings. Amount in dispute: Claim: EUR 6,000,000; counterclaim: EUR 2,500,000.
- Representation of a Spanish developer in ordinary court proceedings relating to the construction of a building. Claim and counterclaim. Amount in dispute: EUR 1,500,000.
- Representation of a Spanish developer in ordinary court proceedings relating to the construction of a single-family residential complex. Claim and counterclaim. Amount in dispute: EUR 1,100,000.
- Representation of a German developer in ordinary court proceedings relating to the construction of a residential building. Amount in dispute: EUR 860,000.
- Representation of a German developer in ordinary court proceedings relating to the construction of a building intended for use as a hotel. Amount in dispute: EUR 500,000.
- Representation of a German developer in ordinary court proceedings relating to the construction of a residential building. Amount in dispute: EUR 452,070.
- Representation and defence in multiple eviction and possessory proceedings in the context of real-estate acquisition transactions.
- Representation and defence in multiple proceedings involving in rem actions.

Commercial and corporate law.

Representation and defence in multiple proceedings relating to:

- Unfair competition.
- Dissolution of companies.
- Corporate disputes and shareholders' agreements.
- Challenges to corporate resolutions.
- Directors' liability actions.
- Industrial and intellectual property.
- Commercial and civil contracting.
- Distribution and agency agreements.
- Shipbuilding contract.
- Sale and purchase of pharmaceutical products.
- Food supplements.
- Claims for damages caused by defective products.
- Claims for property damage and personal injury.
- Professional liability.

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