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Practice Areas

Rankings and Analysis

Dispute Resolution

Dispute Resolution

Litigation

★★★★★

Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer
Gleiss Lutz
Hengeler Mueller
Linklaters

★★★★★

Allen & Overy
Clifford Chance
Hogan Lovells
Latham & Watkins
Noerr
White & Case

★★★★★

Baker & McKenzie
CMS Hasche Sigle
DLA Piper
SZA Schilling Zutt & Anschütz
Wach + Meckes
WilmerHale

★★★★

Hausfeld
Heuking Kühn Lüer Wojtek
Luther
Orrick Herrington & Sutcliffe
Quinn Emanuel Urquhart & Sullivan
Sernetz Schäfer

★★

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Beiten Burkhardt
Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton
Clouth & Partner
Ego Humrich Wyen
Gibson Dunn & Crutcher
Görg
Haver & Mailänder
Jones Day
Norton Rose Fulbright
Schmitz & Partner
Skadden Arps Slate Meagher & Flom
Taylor Wessing
Thümmel Schütze & Partner
Tilp

★

Arnold & Porter Kaye Scholer
Ashurst
Bird & Bird
Borris Hennecke Kneisel
Esche Schümann Commichau
Eversheds Sutherland
Greenfort
GSK Stockmann
Lindenpartners
Meilicke Hoffmann & Partner
Metis
Nieding + Barth
Orth Kluth
Pinsent Masons
Reed Smith
Squire Patton Boggs
Wirsing Hass Zoller

Recommended:

Dr. Alexander Kröck

(„good analyst, in-depth knowledge of the facts of the case”, competitor)

Dr. Annett Kuhli

(„dynamic and analytical”, competitor)

Marcus van Bevern

Dispute Resolution

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Arbitration/Mediation

★★★★★

Baker & McKenzie
CMS Hasche Sigle
Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer

★★★★★

Gleiss Lutz
Hengeler Mueller
Hogan Lovells

★★★★★

Busse Disputes
Clifford Chance
Hanefeld
Latham & Watkins
Linklaters
Luther
Noerr

★★★

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Borris Hennecke Kneisel
Heuking Kühn Lüer Wojtek
Orrick Herrington & Sutcliffe
White & Case

★★★

Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton
DLA Piper
Haver & Mailänder

★★

Allen & Overy
Herbert Smith Freehills
Jones Day
King & Spalding
Skadden Arps Slate Meagher & Flom
Thümmel Schütze & Partner
Wach + Meckes

★

Beiten Burkhardt
Dentons
GSK Stockmann
Manner Spangenberg
Sernetz Schäfer
SZA Schilling Zutt & Anschutz
Taylor Wessing



Litigation

Arbitration/Mediation

Comment: This litigation practice is benefitting hugely from the fact that civil law work on the dividend-stripping scandal is picking up speed – because it can offer financial sector clients something that many urgently need at the moment: lawyers with a deep understanding of complex tax and accounting problems who are not bound by too many conflicts of interest. Several partners are tax advisors or accountants as well, and on top of this the firm boasts one of the most renowned tax criminal lawyers in the shape of Dr. Rainer Spatscheck. New partner Dr. Stefan Hackel, who has already made a positive impression on competitors, is a tax advisor and closes a gap in corporate disputes, which often call for accounting expertise as well. His appointment shows how the firm is strategically gearing up for the future, even away from dividend stripping and arbitration, for which Kröck and Kuhli are particularly well respected.

Recommended: Dr. Alexander Kröck (“good analyst, in-depth knowledge of the facts of the case”, competitor), Dr. Annett Kuhli (“dynamic and analytical”, competitor), Marcus van Bevern

Team: 4 equity partners, 2 salary partners, 2 associates, 1 of counsel

Practice: Due to MDP background, many financial, accounting and tax disputes. Also corporate disputes (post-M&A, D&O liability), litigation arising from commercial and distribution contracts and professional liability of freelancers. Arbitration especially according to DIS and ICC.

Clients:

- **International litigation funder** in €250 million ICSID proceedings against Eastern European country;
- **Foreign bank** on civil law recourse in connection with dividend stripping;
- **Insurance corporation** in civil law and tax disputes in Germany, Austria and Switzerland;
- **International gas corporation** in €42 million arbitration against price adjustment in gas storage contract;
- **International bank** on professional liability of large law firm in connection with dividend stripping;
- **Russian bank** on foreclosure in Germany after insolvency.

Dispute Resolution

Dispute Resolution

Renowned Arbitrators

KANTENWEIN LAW TAX AUDIT	Dr. Alexander Kröck
Baker & McKenzie	Dr. Jörg Risse
Baumann Resolving Disputes	Dr. Antje Baumann
Borris Hennecke Kneisel	Dr. Christian Borris
Busse Disputes	Dr. Daniel Busse
CMS Hasche Sigle	Dr. Torsten Lörcher Dr. Klaus Sachs
Gleiss Lutz	Dr. Stephan Wilske
Hanefeld	Dr. Inka Hanefeld Heiner Nedden Dr. Nils Schmidt-Ahrendts
Haver & Mailänder	Dr. Klaus Gerstenmaier
Hengeler Mueller	Dr. Markus Meier
Heuking Kühn Lüer Wojtek	Dr. Ulrike Gantenberg Dr. Wolfgang Kühn
King & Spalding	Jan Schäfer
Noerr	Dr. Anke Meier
Orrick Herrington & Sutcliffe	Prof. Dr. Siegfried Elsing
Overlack	Dr. Arndt Overlack
Pfützner	Dr. Fabian von Schlabrendorff
Prof. Hilmar Raeschke-Kessler	Prof. Hilmar Raeschke-Kessler
Dr. Dorothee Ruckteschler	Dr. Dorothee Ruckteschler
Thümmel Schütze & Partner	Prof. Dr. Roderich Thümmel
Dr. Volker Triebel	Dr. Volker Triebel
Trittmann	Dr. Rolf Trittmann
Universität Köln	Prof. Dr. Klaus Berger Prof. Dr. Karl-Heinz Boeckstiegel Prof. Dr. Stefan Kröll
Wach + Meckes	Dr. Karl Wach

Company Succession and Trusts

Company Succession and Trusts

Recommended:

Dr. Thomas Kantenwein

Dr. Annett Kuhli

★★★★★

Flick Gocke Schaumburg
P+P Pöllath + Partners

★★★★★

Noerr
SZA Schilling Zutt & Anschütz

★★★★★

CMS Hasche Sigle
Hennerkes Kirchdörfer & Lorz
Taylor Wessing

★★★★

Beiten Burkhardt
Binz & Partner
Ebner Stolz Mönning Bachem
Gleiss Lutz
Hengeler Mueller
Oppenhoff & Partner
Rödl & Partner

★★★

Baker Tilly
Esche Schümann Commichau
Peters Schönberger & Partner
Rittershaus

★

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DLA Piper
Heuer Busch & Partner
Heuking Kühn Lüer Wojtek
Kapp Ebeling & Partner
KPMG Law
Osborne Clarke
PricewaterhouseCoopers Legal
Seitz
SKW Schwarz
Sonntag & Partner

★

Beisse & Rath
Dissmann Orth
dtb Decker + Schmidt-Thomé
Fromm
Meilicke Hoffmann & Partner
Reith Leisle Gabor
Schmidt von der Osten & Huber
Winheller



Company Succession and Trusts

Comment: In southern Germany, this Munich MDP is one of the well-known names for advice on company succession and trusts. The partners nurture excellent, long-standing contacts among Mittelstand companies and generally provide these with all-round advice on transactions and restructuring. This often gives rise to issues for the shareholders behind the companies. By appointing Stefan Hackel, who specialises in inheritance and corporate litigation, to equity partner, the traditionally tax-focused company succession practice broadened its expertise. HNWI also benefit from the respected ► tax criminal lawyers when needed.

Recommended: Dr. Thomas Kantenwein, Dr. Annett Kuhli

Team: 2 partners, 1 of counsel (plus tax partners and associates)

Practice: Inheritance tax planning, company succession (each including litigation), structuring family offices, taxation of art assets, trust law, charities.

Clients:

- **Bavarian family** with major agricultural assets on wealth arrangements and generation succession after death of father;
- **Family business** on succession and setting up FO;
- **Family business** with considerable real estate portfolio and investments on all inheritance and corporate matters and vis-à-vis will executor (volume €50 million);
- Ongoing advice to **Eleonore Beck Stiftung**;
- **Board of the Frankfurt Zoological Society and Stiftung Hilfe für die bedrohte Tierwelt.**

White Collar Crime and Tax Criminal Law

Tax Criminal Law

★★★★★

Flick Gocke Schaumburg
Leisner Steckel Engler
Wannemacher & Partner

★★★★★

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CKSS Carlé Korn Stahl Strahl
Feigen Graf
Streck Mack Schwedhelm
Ufer Knauer

★★★

Heuking Kühn Lüer Wojtek
Krause & Kollegen
Kullen Müller Zinser
LHP Luxem Heuel Prowatke
Noerr

★★

Baker Tilly
Frick + Partner
Roxin
Tsambikakis & Partner
Wessing & Partner

★★

Dr. Kai Hart-Hönig
Prof. Dr. Müller & Partner
Ulrich Sorgenfrei

★

Adick Linke
Arnold & Porter Kaye Scholer
Kipper + Durth
Langrock Voß & Soyka
Quedenfeld
Schneider Schulteheinrichs
Seitz

Recommended:

Dr. Rainer Spatscheck
(„absolute focus on criminal tax compliance”, “one of the best”, “assertive, highly competent, pleasant, splendid negotiator”, competitors)

White Collar Crime and Tax Criminal Law

Analysis



Tax Criminal Law

Comment: Two years after welcoming the highly regarded Spatscheck, this firm is among the extended group of market leaders in tax criminal law, not only in Munich. This is evidenced by the work for HVB, who relies on the practice as one of the central players in the Wiesbaden dividend-stripping proceedings. The team is also involved in the Goldfinger proceedings. As Spatscheck acts as the central head of the practice on the interface with tax disputes, both practices – like at CKSS – are closely interwoven and frequently work together in tax investigations. The firm is also active in a preventive capacity in setting up tax compliance systems. The appointment of a lawyer to salary partner shows how the firm hopes to continue banking on the criminal law practice in the future. But there is still some way to go until the young lawyers reach the level of name recognition of the practice head.

Recommended: Dr. Rainer Spatscheck (“absolute focus on criminal tax compliance”, “one of the best”, “assertive, highly competent, pleasant, splendid

negotiator”, competitors)

Team: 1 equity partner, 1 salary partner, 1 counsel, 4 associates

Practice: Tax criminal law, especially the defence of individuals and companies, also preventive advice, internal investigations.

Clients:

Individuals:

- **HVB employees** in dividend-stripping proceedings;
- **Manager of a US pension fund** in dividend-stripping proceedings;
- **Drugstore entrepreneur Müller** regarding tax evasion;
- **Defendant** in Goldfinger proceedings;
- **Family business** concerning offshore leaks;
- **Tax advisor** regarding tax evasion.

Companies:

- **Various banks** concerning “cum-cum” and dividend-stripping deals.

Regions

Rankings and Analysis

Region: South

Munich

Munich

★★★★★

CMS Hasche Sigle
Hengeler Mueller
Hogan Lovells
Milbank
Noerr

★★★★★

Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer
Latham & Watkins
Linklaters
P+P Pöllath + Partners

★★★★★

Allen & Overy
Baker & McKenzie
Clifford Chance
Gibson Dunn & Crutcher
Gleiss Lutz
Kirkland & Ellis

★★★★

Eversheds Sutherland
McDermott Will & Emery
Taylor Wessing

★★★★

Beiten Burkhardt
Dissmann Orth
GSK Stockmann
Heusinger Kühn Lüer Wojtek
Jones Day
Norton Rose Fulbright
Pinsent Masons
Sernetz Schäfer
SKW Schwarz

★★

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Baker Tilly
DLA Piper
GLNS
Heussen
Honert + Partner
Lutz Abel
Orrick Herrington & Sutcliffe
Osborne Clarke
Peters Schönberger & Partner
Reed Smith
Sidley Austin

★★

Ashurst
Bird & Bird
Dechert
Dentons
Görg
Gütt Olk Feldhaus
Luther
SNP Schlawien
Watson Farley & Williams
Weil Gotshal & Manges
Zirngibl

★

Acuris
Arnecke Sibeth Dabelstein
von Boetticher
GvW Graf von Westphalen
Lupp + Partner
Rödl & Partner
Seufert
Simmons & Simmons
Weitnauer
Wirsing Hass Zoller

Recommended:

Dr. Thomas Kantenwein

Dr. Rainer Spatscheck

(„splendid negotiator“,
competitor)

Dr. Alexander Kröck

(„very good analyst, in-depth
knowledge of the facts of the
case“, competitor)

Dr. Annett Kuhli

(„flexible and assertive“,
competitor)

Dr. Gerhard Widmayer



Munich

Comment: This Munich MDP enjoys an excellent reputation in the region for its dispute resolution expertise. While arbitration has long been a part of the firm's bread and butter work, it has also succeeded in positioning itself among banks for the extremely hot topic of dividend stripping. In ►tax criminal law, the firm has been involved in this field for some time now, largely because the practice is among the leading names in the market. The firm is also active for its chiefly Mittelstand client base in restructuring and transactions, even far beyond the Bavarian borders. The fact that the firm highly regarded in tax law has now appointed an enterprising young corporate lawyer to partner underlines how traditional corporate issues are also growing in importance.

Recommended: Dr. Thomas Kantenwein, Dr. Rainer Spatscheck ("splendid negotiator", competitor), Dr. Alexander Kröck ("very good analyst, in-depth knowledge of the facts of the case", competitor), Dr. Annett Kuhli ("flexible and assertive", competitor), Dr. Gerhard Widmayer

Team: 6 equity partners, 3 salary partners, 7 associates, 1 of counsel, plus tax advisors and accountants.

Practice: Tax and ►company succession and trusts for high-net-worth individuals, Mittelstand compa-

nies and large companies, also arbitration and litigation for these as well as (international) banks and funds (►dispute resolution). Banking and regulatory, finance. Restructuring and corporate rescue. ►White collar crime and tax criminal law. Corporate.

Clients:

- Expert opinion for **litigation funder**;
- **Various banks and financial services providers** on dividend-stripping transactions;
- Arbitration for **gas corporation**;
- **Shareholders** in judicial and extrajudicial shareholder dispute;
- **Various family businesses** on company succession issues;
- **Defendant in Goldfinger investigative proceedings** of Augsburg public prosecution department;
- **HVB employees** in dividend-stripping proceedings;
- **Manager of a US pension fund** in dividend-stripping proceedings (Cologne public prosecution department);
- **Various banks** on investigations and processing of "cum-cum" and dividend-stripping deals;
- **Drugstore entrepreneur Müller** regarding suspicion of tax evasion.

What is JUVE Handbuch?

JUVE German Commercial Law Firms long ago developed into a reference tool for the German legal market. In it you will find detailed information about the commercial law services offered by almost 800 law firms.

Extensive research among law firms, company managers, representatives from authorities and employees from the judiciary and academia create the basis for this book. The strictly independent editorial team can draw on more than 20 years of experience in the legal market.

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