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PRACTICE AREAS

Dr. Rainer Korch advises and represents national and international clients in commercial and business law matters. He has an extensive experience in managing complex legal disputes in economic affairs, also with regard to corporate law issues. Further key areas of his practice include corporate law, mergers and acquisitions and national and international contract law.

CURRICULUM VITAE

- Study of law and legal clerkship in Freiburg/Breisgau, Hamburg and Frankfurt/Main (focus: commercial and corporate law). **1994-1995** work for the Institute for Public Law (Prof. Dr. Rainer Wahl), University of Freiburg. Completion of the First and Second State Examination with honors
- **1998** Stage with Heller Ehrman White & McAuliffe in San Francisco, USA
- **1999** Admission to the bar (Frankfurt Bar Association)
- **2000** Doctorate in corporate and antitrust law
- **1999-2003** Gleiss Lutz Attorneys at Law, M&A and Corporate Law, Frankfurt and Stuttgart
- **2003-2019** independent lawyer in Frankfurt am Main, initially as founding partner of the law firms Friedrich & Korch (until 2006) and Friedrich Korch Hanefeld (until 2011) in Frankfurt am Main
- **Since 2020** founding partner of ERIS LEGAL

LANGUAGES

German, English

MAIN AREAS OF ACTIVITY

- Representation in court and arbitration proceedings
- Corporate Law and Mergers & Acquisitions
- National and international contract and licensing law
- Cartel and distribution law

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- Successful judicial enforcement of claims against an issuer of participation certificates (volume > EUR 20 m)
- Advising and representing a leading global healthcare company in connection with damage claims in a post-M&A dispute (volume > EUR 20 m)
- Regular advice and representation of the shareholders of corporations and partnerships in the exercise of their shareholder rights and in shareholder disputes (company turnover e.g. > EUR 120 m)
- Representation of a software publisher in an ICC arbitration regarding a post-M&A dispute
- Regular advice to and representation of various companies (e.g., software, health care, real property) in the areas of M&A (incl. Due Diligence and contract negotiations), corporate law and international contract (volume > EUR 10 m)
- Advice and representation of a leading insurance company in stock corporation law related matters, judicial representation in challenging stock corporation resolutions by the stockholders' meeting and the supervisory board
- Advising and representing an energy supplier in an ad hoc arbitration concerning claims arising from a framework agreement with an industrial partner concerning a combined heat and power plant (volume > EUR 30 m)
- Regular advice and representation in connection with establishing various companies, amendments to the articles of association, capital increases, investment agreements and restructuring measures
- Establishment and legal support of a Europe-wide franchise system for a service company in the field of special services for the automotive industry and financial service providers
- Advising and representing a US financial services provider in corporate law issues
- Advising and representing a hosting company in a corporate restructuring and in the issuance of participation rights

REPUTATION / PUBLICATIONS

- Dr. Rainer Korch was repeatedly mentioned in the JUVE Handbook of Commercial Law Firms as a frequently recommended lawyer, e.g. in the Juve Handbook 2009/2010 (*"there is no way around them, they are always team players and reliable"*) and in the Juve Handbook 2010/2011 (*"first choice, crystal clear mind, absolutely reliable when working together"*)
- Author of *Reciprocal Shareholdings of Stock Corporations - Corporate and Antitrust Law Aspects*, published by Heymanns (AHW) Cologne, 2002
- Member of the German Institution of Arbitration (DIS) and lecturer at the Frankfurt Bar Association for Contract Drafting, as part of the legal clerkship at the Frankfurt District Court