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EXPERTISE

Roman Graf is a partner specialising in M&A transactions (including complex national and international deals and private equity) and insolvency. His extensive experience also includes cross-border restructurings. Roman regularly advises companies, managers and creditors on insolvencies and corporate reorganisations, including management liability. Other areas of practice include corporate, commercial and contract law, corporate finance, and corporate governance. He regularly speaks at professional conferences focused on his fields of expertise. Roman has been recognized a Next Generation Partner in Insolvency and corporate recovery in the highly respected Legal 500 EMEA 2024.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE AND EDUCATION

2022	Partner at Lenz & Staehelin
2014	Associate at Lenz & Staehelin
2011	United Nations Office of the Legal Counsel, New York
2007	United Nations International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia, The Hague
2014	Admission to the Geneva Bar
2012	Admission to the New York Bar
2011	Columbia Law School (LL.M., Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar)
2007	Amsterdam Law School (LL.M. in International and European Law)
2006	University of Lausanne (lic. iur.)

SPECIALIST AREAS

Corporate and M&A, Corporate Governance, Commercial and Contracts,
Insolvency and Restructuring, Private Equity, Real Estate, VC and Startups

LANGUAGES

English, French, German

MEMBERSHIPS

American Bar Association (ABA), Association Internationale des Jeunes



Avocats (AIJA), Geneva Bar Association (OdA), International Bar Association (IBA), Swiss Bar Association (SBA), President of the Commission for Continuing Legal Education (Commission de formation permanente) of the Geneva Bar Association

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

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- Poskriakov F., Graf R., Consolidation in the Swiss Portfolio Management Industry - Selected Aspects of M&A Transactions, in: Swiss Review of Business and Financial Market Law, 2/2021
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- Graf R., Commentary on Charges, in: Klip A. / Freeland S. (eds.), Annotated Leading Cases of International Criminal Tribunals, Vol. 40, Cambridge 2013
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- Graf R., Commentary on Jurisdiction, in: Klip A. / Sluiter G. (eds.), Annotated Leading Cases of International Criminal Tribunals, Vol. 28, Cambridge 2012
- Graf R., I beg your pardon?, in: Klip A. / Sluiter G. (eds.), Annotated Leading Cases of International Criminal Tribunals, Vol. 19, Antwerp 2010

REFERENCES

Pragmatic approach and ability to find the best possible solutions, even under very tight deadlines

Who's Who Legal, 2022

Strong negotiation skills and vast experience advising on cross-border transactions.

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