Private Clients

Our Private Clients practice advises high net worth individuals and business owners on all legal and tax matters related to their private affairs. We act as a trustworthy partner, assisting you with all your asset and succession planning requirements.

Our Private Clients service is also targeted at banks, asset managers and family offices. We either advise them directly on wealth management issues or work with them to develop customised solutions on behalf of our longstanding clients.

Our services for **private clients** include in particular:

Family Business Owners

- Legal and tax advice on asset planning and structuring
- Company transactions and advice on the legal aspects of financing
- Succession planning/estate planning, estate administration and management
- Foundations and trusts
- Tax planning, assistance with complex tax issues and criminal tax proceedings
- Family constitutions, organisation of family meetings
- Advising family offices, banks and asset managers
- Contingency planning for the family
- Litigation, arbitration and alternative dispute resolution
- Advice on private matters (including marriage contracts, testamentary dispositions (inheritance contract/will, etc.), change of domicile, naturalisation and denaturalisation)

Family Foundations

- Establishment of family foundations and corporate foundations
- Foundation solutions for corporate succession
- Foreign foundation structures
- Ongoing advice for family foundations

Corporate Succession

- Drafting and negotiating succession arrangements from a corporate law viewpoint
- Reorganising company structures and holdings to avoid succession problems
- Restructuring to enable and implement succession planning (including management
- shareholdings, strategic partnerships)
- Sale and participation options if there are no successors within the family
- Solutions involving foundations and trusts (including family foundations,
- "Doppelstiftungen" (a combination of charitable and company foundations), shareholder
- and holding foundations)
- International succession planning (including relocation planning)

- Testamentary dispositions (wills, inheritance contracts) and marriage contracts
- Inheritance support and execution of wills, estate management
- Avoiding disputes among the heirs, handling disputes among co-heirs

Family Offices

- Advice on structuring family wealth
- Shareholder agreements and employment contracts, contract management
- Tax planning and optimisation in the context of a family office
- Asset structuring via trusts, (family) foundations or other independent asset vehicles
- Legal and tax advice for family offices when investing in real estate, art and equity
- interests
- Corporate succession and wealth succession/estate planning, inheritance support
- Family constitutions, organisation of family meetings
- Legal structuring of bank accounts/asset management agreements
- Administration, documentation, reporting and monitoring

We also advise our clients on all aspects of **Contingency Planning**, **Succession Planning** and **Asset Structuring**.

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