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Andreas specialises as a transaction lawyer in both the private and the public sector, with particular focus on company and M&A law and negotiations. He is admitted to the Norwegian Supreme Court. Over the years, Andreas has been ranked by Global Counsel 3000 as the only Norwegian "leading individual" in the category 'Corporate Finance', as one of two "leading individuals" in the category 'Capital Markets', and as one of several "highly recommended individuals" in the category 'Banking and Finance'. One year, he was the only Norwegian lawyer ranked in all three categories. Andreas has also been ranked as "leading individual" in the category 'Corporate/M&A' in Chambers Global's The World's Leading Lawyers, as one of the leading M&A lawyers in Norway by European Counsel 3000 and as one of the Norwegian "Super League" lawyers in the category 'Banking and Finance'.

Selected projects

Store Norske-restructuring

Assisted the Norwegian Government represented by The Ministry of Trade, Industry and Fisheries in connection with the restructuring and refinancing of Store Norske Spitsbergen Kullkompani (2014-2016).

Industry expertise

Banking and Finance
Retail
Industry
Private Equity
Shipping and Offshore
Transport

Areas of practice

Capital Markets
M&A and Corporate Law

Restructuring and divestment of SAS

Assisted Norwegian Government represented by The Ministry of Trade, Industry and Fisheries both in connection with the restructuring of Scandinavian Airlines Systems (SAS) in 2013 and its divestments, most recently in 2018.

Statoil - IPO

Assistance to Statoil (today Equinor) in connection with the listing of the company.

IPO of Telenor

Assistance to the Norwegian Government represented by The Ministry of Trade, Industry and Fisheries in connection with the listing of Telenor ASA.

Wallenius Wilhelmsen merger

Assistance to Wilhelmsen in connection with their merger of jointly owned investments with Wallenius. Wallenius and Wilhelmsen merged their ownership of Wallenius Wilhelmsen Logistics, EUKOR Car Carriers and American Roll-on Roll-off Carrier into one entity, to be named Wallenius Wilhelmsen Logistics ASA.

Work experience

Senior Counsel, Wiersholm, 2023

Partner, Wiersholm, 1989

Senior Associate, Wiersholm, 1987

Associate, Norsk Hydro ASA, 1983

Officer, The Norwegian Navy, 1976

Education

Cand. Jur., University of Oslo, 1983

Officer, Officers' Training School, Royal Norwegian Navy, 1976

Membership

Head Chairman, Pareto Wealth Management AS, 2013 - 2016

Chairman of the Board, Lorentzen Skibs AS, 2000

Chairman of the Board, Martina Hansens Hospital, 1999

Director of the Board, Bonheur ASA, 2001