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Karsten is a corporate lawyer specialising in M&A transactions and company law. He regularly assists private equity funds and industrial players in M&A deals across a variety of sectors, often involving cross-border and international aspects. Karsten frequently leads projects, coordinating matters across numerous jurisdictions. Karsten is an international transaction lawyer with several years of experience in both the Norwegian and German markets. Karsten studied law in Berlin (Germany) and London (UK), and is qualified to practise in both Norway and Germany. Karsten has been acknowledged as a "promising talent" among international lawyers in the annual lawyer survey conducted by Kapital, a Norwegian financial daily.

Selected projects

Business combination of Avarn Security Oy and Pevent 360 Turvallisuuspalvelut Oy

Assisted Sector Alarm as lead counsel on all aspects related to the agreement for the business combination of Avarn Security Oy, a subsidiary of Sector Alarm Group AS, and Prevent 360 Turvallisuuspalvelut Oy, a company controlled by the Finnish private equity fund Intera Fund III Ky. Following completion of the transaction, a runner up to the market leader in the Finnish security market focusing on serving companies and public organizations is created.

Industry expertise

Private Equity

Areas of practice

M&A and Corporate Law

Acquisition of Fazer Food Services

Assistance to Compass Group in connection with its acquisition of Fazer Food Services from Fazer Group for an enterprise value of approximately €475 million.

Business combination of AGR Group and First Geo

Advised DNB and Nordea comprehensively on all legal matters from an M&A and finance perspective regarding the business combination between AGR Group and First Geo as well as the accompanying financial restructuring.

Sale of Duett

Assisted Procuritas and the other shareholders in the divestment of the Norwegian accounting software company Duett to US based private equity firm Accel-KKR.

Sale of Navico

Assisted private equity firms Altor and Goldman Sachs in the sale of Navico to i Brunswick.

Sale of Viking Redningstjeneste

Assistance to Viking Redningstjeneste Topco AS and its shareholders in connection with the sale of all the shares in Viking to If P&C Insurance Holding Ltd.

Offer by New Forests Africa Investment VCC for the acquisition of all the shares in Green Resources AS

Assistance in connection with the offer by New Forests Africa Investment VCC for the acquisition of all the shares in Green Resources AS, a forest development and wood processing company with operations in East Africa.

Business combination of OSM Maritime Group and Thome Group

Assisted OSM Maritime Group in its business combination with Thome Group to create a world leading ship manager with more than 30,000 employees and offices in 22 countries.

Sale of Petroleum Technology Company Holding AS

Assisted with the sale of Petroleum Technology Company Holding AS (as parent of Petroleum Technology Company AS) by Herkules Capital and other minority shareholders to Interwell AS.

Acquisition of Working Group Two AS

Assisted Cisco Systems, Inc. on the acquisition of Working Group Two AS.

Work experience

Partner, Wiersholm, 2024

Managing Associate, Wiersholm, 2020

Senior Associate, Wiersholm, 2017

Lawyer, Gleiss Lutz (Berlin, Hamburg), 2015

Education

German Second Legal State Examination and German practicing certificate, Berlin, 2015

LL.M. in International Commercial and Business Law, King's College London, 2011 - 2012

German First Legal State Examination, Berlin, 2010

Law and Business Administration, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, 2005 - 2010

Awards

Lovende talenter, Kapitals Advokatundersøkelse, International lawyer, 2024

Lovende talenter, Kapitals Advokatundersøkelse, International lawyer, 2023

Lovende talenter, Finansavisens Advokatundersøkelse, International lawyer, 2022