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Rail, Airlines, Ports and Terminals

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Hospitality, Mergers and Acquisitions, Debt Capital Markets, Real Estate Finance, Corporate and M&A, Regulatory, Project Finance, Equity Capital Markets, Employment, Structured Finance, Finance, Private Equity, Real Estate,

Restructuring and Insolvency

BIO

NIKOLAOS IS A PARTNER IN THE PROJECT & STRUCTURED FINANCE GROUP.

Nikolaos advises on a broad range of domestic and cross-border corporate, structured and project transactions, specialising in finance, corporate, real estate & hospitality projects, including banking & capital markets regulatory matters as well as data protection law. He has been involved and advised clients on a number of large infrastructure projects in Greece including airports, roads, ports and schools.

He also has a wide experience in restructuring, work-out and NPL transactions, and in handling commercial, banking and real estate litigation cases.

Prior to joining WFW in 2010, Nikolaos practised banking, finance and corporate law at a renowned domestic Greek law firm for five years and spent 10 years as in-house counsel in the financial services sector.

Nikolaos is recommended as a banking & finance expert by legal directories Legal 500 EMEA, Chambers Europe and Chambers Global. Most recently in 2023, Chambers commented that "He has extensive know-how of various type of corporate and financings and he understands our needs very well and completes transaction efficiently".

EXPERIENCE

WATSON FARLEY & WILLIAMS

Advising COSMOTE S.A. on a €300m financing package provided by the European Investment Bank (EIB) and the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD). Advising Hellenic Republic Asset Development Fund (HRADF – TAIPED) on a €261m sale and leaseback of 28 state-owned buildings. Advising the National Bank of Greece on the sale & transfer of a circa €262m shipping loan portfolio to funds advised by Cross Ocean Partners. Advising Greek hotel groups in management, franchise & license agreements with international hotel brands.

EDUCATION

2000 · LL.M., Banking & Finance | University of London

1997 · LL.M., Civil and Banking Law | University of Athens, Law Faculty

1995 · LL.B. University of Athens, Law Faculty

MEMBERSHIPS & **ASSOCIATIONS**

2006 · Athens Supreme Court

1997 · Athens Bar Association

INSIGHTS

PRESS WFW ADVISES BOB W ON ENTRY INTO GREEK HOSPITALITY SECTOR

www.wfw.com/press/wfw-advises-bob-w-on-entry-into-greek-hospitality-sector/

AWARD TWO WFW DEALS WIN AT BUSINESS LAW AWARDS 2022

www.wfw.com/awards/two-wfw-deals-win-at-business-law-awards-2022/

PRESS WFW ADVISES ANDRONIS ON ACQUISITION OF HISTORIC SAN GIMIGNANO MANSION

www.wfw.com/press/wfw-advises-andronis-on-acquisition-of-historic-san-gimignanomansion/

PRESS WFW ADVISES HOVA HOSPITALITY ON €70M SALE AND LEASEBACK OF CLUB

MED GREGOLIMANO GREEK RESORT

www.wfw.com/press/wfw-advises-hova-hospitality-on-e70m-sale-and-leaseback-of-clubmed-gregolimano-greek-resort/

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PRESS WFW ADVISES OTE ON €150M LOAN AGREEMENT TO FINANCE FTTH ROLLOUT IN GREECE

www.wfw.com/press/wfw-advises-ote-on-e150m-loan-agreement-to-finance-ftth-rollout-in-greece/