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SERVICES: Aviation Dispute Resolution, Energy Dispute Resolution, Infrastructure Dispute Resolution, Investor-State Arbitration, Dispute Resolution, International Arbitration, Maritime Dispute Resolution, Public International Law

BIO

VICTOR IS A PARTNER IN THE DISPUTE RESOLUTION GROUP.

Victor has more than 20 years of legal experience in dispute resolution, acting for domestic and international clients, corporations, listed or non-listed, funds and individuals, in litigation and arbitration proceedings.

He is former State Attorney in charge of the legal defense and representation of the Spanish Government, before courts, having served during 6 years, acting in over 2000 disputes. He was also member of the Spanish Administrative Observatory for Tax Crime and Punishable Insolvencies appointed by the Spanish Ministry of Economy, in charge of legal reforms in such matters.

In private practice since 2006, he is a leading lawyer in civil, commercial and corporate litigation, insolvency and pre-insolvency advice and litigation, domestic and international arbitration, white-collar crime litigation, corporate defense and related compliance work.

Victor advises and acts as counsel for Spanish and international clients in domestic and international commercial arbitration disputes, before the most relevant international and Spanish arbitration courts or in ad-hoc arbitrations in a broad variety of sectors. He accumulates also significant experience in investment treaty disputes especially involving countries and governments in Central and South America.

He assists Spanish and international clients, both contractual and tort, on directors' liability and conflicts within companies and in any type of complex litigation before civil, commercial courts in Spain in all their instances.

WATSON FARLEY & WILLIAMS

Victor provides advice on criminal law for corporate crime and corporate compliance and defends companies and directors in cross-border or highly complex criminal investigations and judicial proceedings before Spanish criminal courts including National Court and Supreme Court.

Victor advises and represents Spanish and international clients in insolvency proceedings, distress situations, liability for insolvency, as well as transactions in the context of insolvencies. He accumulates huge experience advising on domestic or cross-border sales of business units within insolvency proceedings.

Victor is recognized in Spain for dispute resolution, corporate crime and restructuring and insolvency by top legal directories Chambers Global, Europe and Legal 500.

Clients appreciate that “He is a magnificent litigator. He is absolutely fantastic before courts, with complete control over the strategy and the details, anticipating any scenario and always focussed on achieving the best results”.

EXPERIENCE

Advising investment banking divisions of international and domestic banks in various ICC arbitral disputes, concerning finance and power purchase agreements in the renewable energy sector.

Advising directors of an international group in several criminal cases for disloyal administration.

Advising a foreign SPV in commercial litigation and related transactions involving distressed assets in Spain.

EDUCATION

2006 · State Attorney on voluntary leave.

2000 · State Attorney by competitive examination.

1997 · Law Degree. First Class Honours (Universitat Pompeu Fabra)

MEMBERSHIPS AND ASSOCIATIONS

Barcelona Bar Association (ICAB)

Spanish Association of State Attorneys

Spanish Arbitration Club

INSIGHTS

EVENT

ARBITRATION IN THE ENERGY SECTOR: ARBITRATION EXPERIENCES AND ISSUES OF INTEREST

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