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SERVICES: Joint Ventures and Strategic Alliances, Mergers and Acquisitions, EU and Competition, Corporate and M&A

BIO

AXEL IS A SENIOR CONSULTANT IN THE CORPORATE AND M&A GROUP.

Axel specialises in advising large and medium-sized firms and their shareholders on a broad range of corporate matters and representing them in court and arbitration proceedings. He also has 40+ years' experience advising on national and cross-border joint ventures, M&A transactions and IP/IT projects.

His practice focusses on companies in the chemicals, healthcare, energy, trading and information and communication technology sectors.

Axel is regularly appointed as a party representative and arbitrator in ad hoc and institutional arbitration proceedings and serves as an honorary judge and member of the presiding committee at the Hamburg Bar Court (Hamburgisches Anwaltsgericht) as well as chairman of the board of trustees for a large Hamburg foundation.

He has been recommended many times by German legal directories JUVÉ Handbuch and Legal 500 EMEA and has been awarded repeatedly and 2023 again by legal directory Best Lawyers in cooperation with German business magazine Handelsblatt as one of Germany's leading company law experts.

EXPERIENCE

Ongoing advising a number of family owned and owner-led companies and their shareholders, on operational business, M&A-transactions, IP/IT and Joint Venture projects as well as representing them in court and DIS arbitration proceedings.

WATSON FARLEY & WILLIAMS

Advising an internationally operating manufacturer of engineering plastics on the establishment of a German-Chinese joint venture in Changzou.

Successfully representing the minority shareholder of a major German family owned company regarding the defense of a €480m claim for damages brought by the majority shareholder.

Successfully representing a leading German manufacturer of catalyst systems in setting aside of an arbitral award.

Advising a major German chemical company on the acquisition of a German subsidiary of a leading US chemical company.

EDUCATION

1982 · Admission to the Bar

1981 · Second State Exam

1979 · First State Exam

1975 · University of Hamburg

MEMBERSHIPS & ASSOCIATIONS

Studienvereinigung Kartellrecht e.V. (Association of German, Austrian and Swiss antitrust lawyers)