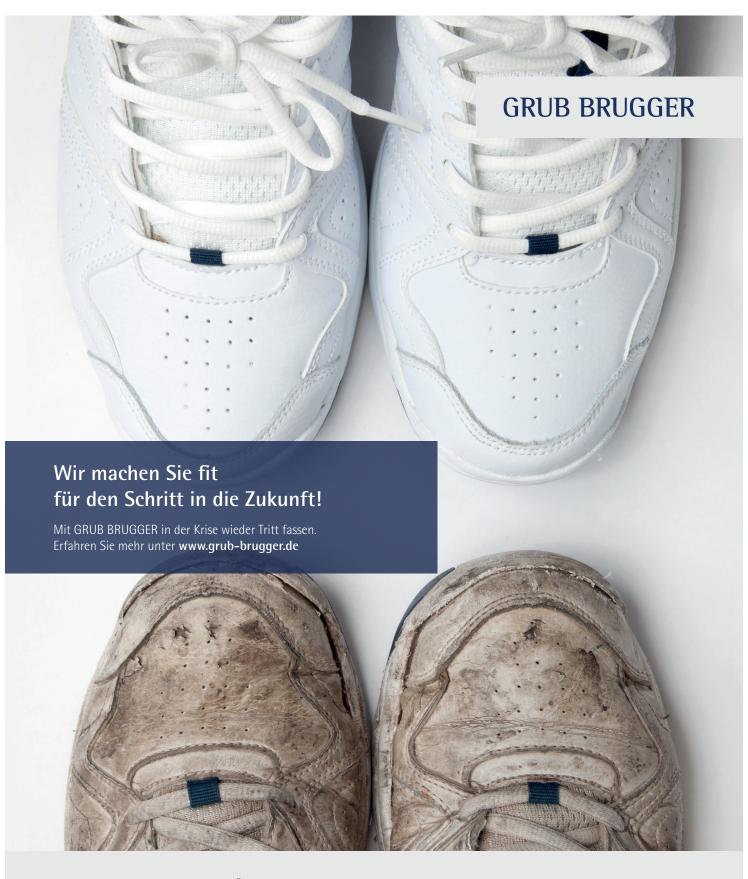


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Law Firm of the Year
Insolvency and Restructuring

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Restructuring and Corporate Rescue

Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer

Latham & Watkins

Allen & Overy Clifford Chance

Dentons

Görg

Kirkland & Ellis

Noerr

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BRL Boege Rohde Luebbehuesen

Hengeler Mueller

Linklaters

Taylor Wessing

White & Case

Anchor

Brinkmann & Partner

CMS Hasche Sigle

Heuking Kühn Lüer Wojtek

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Ashurst

DLA Piper

Hogan Lovells

McDermott Will & Emery

Schultze & Braun

Sidley Austin

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act AC Tischendorf

Aderhold

Finkenhof

Greenberg Traurig

SZA Schilling Zutt & Anschütz

Wellensiek

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Ebner Stolz Mönning Bachem

Elsässer

GSK Stockmann

GvW Graf von Westphalen

Lambrecht

Mayer Brown

Möhrle Happ Luther

Weil Gotshal & Manges

V E R D I C T

Strengths:

Corporate rescue in the Mittelstand, self-administration, insolvency administration with business continuation prospects.

Recommended:

Dr. Thilo Schultze

("pragmatic advisor who can get anyone on board", competitor)

Dr. Volker Muschalle

Martin Mucha

Dr. Hans Schenk

("long-standing advisor, also for regular M&A deals", client)

Dr. Frank Schäffler

Michael Vilgertshofer

Dr. Jasmin Urlaub

("professionally accomplished, frequently seen on the creditor side", competitor)

Jochen Sedlitz



Insolvency Proceedings





Leading names in insolvency administration

GRUB BRUGGER Martin Mucha
AndresPartner Dr. Dirk Andres
White & Case Dr. Biner Bähr
Müller-Heydenreich Bierbach & Kollegen Axel Bierbach

Eckert Dr. Rainer Eckert

Dr. Beck & Partner Joachim Exner

Flöther & Wissing Prof. Dr. Lucas Flöther

Gerloff Liebler Dr. Christian Gerloff

Jaffé Dr. Michael Jaffé

Kebekus et Zimmermann Dr. Frank Kebekus

Pluta Stefan Meyer

Brinkmann & Partner Dr. Christoph Morgen
Brinkmann & Partner Dr. Jan Plathner

White & Case Dr. Sven-Holger Undritz

Analysis

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Restructuring and Corporate Rescue

Insolvency Proceedings

Comment: An "extremely good idea" is how one competitor in Stuttgart described the hiring of the restructuring lawyer from Menold Bezler last year. The firm now operates in the insolvency market with a breadth and depth of expertise that is virtually unparalleled and at the same time future-proofed its age structure. This was to the benefit of the Stuttgart head office as well as the other offices. Insolvency cases such as Pluradent show how the firm's expertise in banking, trademarks and commercial rent law speed up the development of insolvency solutions. GB also provides regular advice to the Mittelstand when it comes to crises in holding structures. Largely off the market's radar, the firm played a significant role in a number of corporate rescue cases under the German Act on the Stabilisation and Restructuring Framework for Businesses and, by bringing in Schäffler from Menold, now has a partner with a great deal of experience in this new field. Renowned Wellensiek partner Scholz recently joined the Frankfurt office.

Strengths: Corporate rescue in the Mittelstand, self-administration, insolvency administration with business continuation prospects.

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Team: 17 equity partners, 5 salary partners, 17 asso-

ciates

Partner moves: Dr. Richard Scholz (from Wellensiek)

Practice: Restructuring and crisis advice mainly to the Mittelstand, also to large companies across Germany; on the creditor side also to credit institutes and real estate service providers. Much trustee work. Allround support to own insolvency administrators. Self-administration cases and cases under the German Act on the Stabilisation and Restructuring Framework for Businesses; court appointments as insolvency administrators in many parts of southwest Germany. Specialised employment lawyers and litigators (white collar crime and tax criminal law).

Clients:

- Eyemaxx Real Estate on German secondary insolvency proceedings;
- AirIT concerning insolvency of Hahn airport, member in creditors' committee;
- Rohrwerk Maxhütte (including sale/MBO) and Kratzer
 Automation on self-administration (chief representative);
- Large online retailer in proceedings under German Act on the Stabilisation and Restructuring Framework for Businesses;
- Austrian bank on restructuring agreement for automotive company.

Administration:

- Piller Entgrattechnik (Ludwigsburg);
- Peter Maier Leichtbau (Konstanz);
- Success Hotel Management (Stuttgart).



White Collar Crime and Tax Criminal Law

White Collar Crime: Defence of Individuals

Dierlamm Feigen Graf

Gercke Wollschläger

Krause & Kollegen

Thomas Deckers Wehnert Elsner

Dr. Dörr & Kollegen

Kempf Schilling + Partner

Park

VBB Rechtsanwälte

Wessing & Partner

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HammPartner

Verte

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Ignor & Partner

Otmar Kury

Langrock Voß & Soyka

Leitner & Kollegen

Pfordte Bosbach

Roxin

Ufer Knauer

Wannemacher & Partner

FS-PP Berlin

Knierim & Kollegen

Redeker Sellner Dahs

Trüg Habetha

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Freyschmidt Frings Pananis Venn

Klinkert

Rosinus Partner

Stetter

Beukelmann Müller Partner

Gazeas Nepomuck

Heuking Kühn Lüer Wojtek

Kipper + Durth

Livonius van Rienen

Meyer-Lohkamp & Pragal

MGR Rechtsanwälte

Noerr

Quedenfeld Füllsack & Partner

Rettenmaier

Eckstein & Kollegen

Kraft Rechtsanwälte

von Máriássy Dr. von Stetten

Schiller & Kollegen

Schneider Schultehinrichs

Schork Kauffmann Wache

Strate und Ventzke

SvS Sidhu von Saucken

Tsambikakis & Partner

Dr. Velke

Widmaier Norouzi



Strengths:

Defence of individual managers.

Recommended:

Dr. Norbert Scharf

("highly experienced and pleasant", "an established player for many years, experienced and smart", "strategically excellent", "extremely well qualified, objective, high-calibre advice", competitors)

Dr. Andreas Weitzell

("clever, very hard working, reliable", "level-headed, cooperative", competitors)



White Collar Crime and Tax Criminal Law

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White Collar Crime: Defence of Individuals

Comment: The white collar crime practice of this Munich firm focuses on the defence of individuals. The close cooperation with the insolvency lawyers sets the practice apart from competitors and frequently gives rise to synergies. The client portfolio is broad: managers like the CFO of Wirecard call on the team led by the well-regarded Scharf, as do a member of the Bundestag concerning corruption and highnet-worth private individuals. Work often features a tax criminal law element, especially for the latter. An equity partner appointment highlights the relevance of the practice within the firm.

Strengths: Defence of individual managers.

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Team: 4 equity partners, 2 salary partners, 1 counsel, 3 associates

Practice: Defence of individuals in white collar crime, also tax criminal law. Mainly active for managers, also on the interface with civil law liability and professional regulations.

Clients:

Individuals:

- DAX corporation supervisory board in capital markets criminal proceedings;
- Private individual concerning aiding and abetting accounting fraud;
- Various bank executives concerning dividend stripping;
- Various managers concerning delay in filing for insolvency, bankruptcy or accounting crimes;
- Former supervisory board member regarding delay in filing for insolvency;
- Former Wirecard CFO concerning accounting scandal (public knowledge);
- PE company shareholder on aiding and abetting tax evasion;
- Member of the Bundestag regarding corruption;
- Private individual regarding bitcoin/crypto issue.

Companies:

- International joint-stock companies in tax criminal investigations;
- Frequent advice to hospital;
- Investment company regarding dividend stripping.



What is JUVE Handbuch?

JUVE German Commercial Law Firms long ago developed into a reference tool for the German legal market. In it you will find detailed information about the commercial law services offered by almost 800 law firms.

Extensive research among law firms, company managers, representatives from authorities and employees from the judiciary and academia create the basis for this book. The strictly independent editorial team can draw on more than 20 years of experience in the legal market.

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