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Dr Claus von Rintelen

Specialist lawyer for construction law and architects'
law, Specialist lawyer for insurance law

Claus advises on all issues surrounding the construction and operation of plants and real estate, from planning contracts, competitions and tenders, through financing and the drafting of construction contracts right through to insurance, contracting, lease contracts and ultimately sale. As a former appeal lawyer, he has considerable litigation experience. A further focus of his practice is advising on major damage claims, in particular the enforcement of claims arising from insurance contracts.

What others say

„ Cited as often recommended - “very good professional advice, good strategic advice and development of solutions for broadband expansion”, client “

JUVE Handbook/Rankings 2024/25 and 2025/26

„ Recommended lawyer for construction law “

Legal 500 Germany 2025

„ Lawyer of the Year 2024 for construction Law (Hamburg); One of the most frequently recommended lawyers for construction law “

Handelsblatt/Best Lawyers® 'Germany's Best Lawyers 2025'

Recent work

- Providing project advice on airport terminal newbuilds in Düsseldorf, Budapest and Berlin, providing ongoing advice to German commercial airports on issues of construction and operation
- Providing advice and drafting contracts for international projects e.g. in Hungary, Russia, Poland, Switzerland, the UK, the BeNeLux countries, Schweiz, Thailand, India, China, Brazil
- Advising public principals on projects with individual contract awards, e.g. schools, hospitals, broadcasting centres, etc.
- Advising principals and contractors in general contractor and general developer projects including leasing and PPP
- Providing contract and corporate law advice and due diligence for real estate transactions (asset deals, share deals, portfolio sales)
- Complex construction and insurance proceedings/arbitral proceedings in excess of EUR 500 million

Curriculum vitae

- Studied law at the Universities of Passau and Bonn, 1981 to 1986
- Research assistant in insolvency law at the University of Bonn (Prof. Dr. Walter Gerhard), 1987
- PhD in collateral security law, 1990 to 1994
- Lawyer since 1990, at Kapellmann since 1995, partner since 2000

Further qualifications and memberships

- Specialist lawyer for construction and architects' law since introduction of qualification
- Co-author of three standard works on private construction law
- Co-author of major commentaries and handbooks on property insurance, technical insurance, liability insurance and insurance procedures
- Author of numerous articles, commemorative publications and judgement notes
- Seminars on contract procurement in the utilities sector, contract drafting in construction law, liability and insurance in construction, contracting; lecturer in training courses for specialist lawyers
- Member of Forum Contracting

PRACTICE GROUPS

- › **Construction and architects' law**
- › **Insurance law**

EXPERTISE

- Plant engineering law
- Construction contracts
- Insurance law
- Real estate law

SECTOR GROUPS

- › **Airports**
- › **Offshore wind**