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Restructuring and Insolvency

Corporate and M&A

Private Equity

Family Business

Ernesto Rey is a partner in the Garrigues Commercial Law Department, where he works mainly in the areas of M&A, family business and agribusiness. He deals both with recurring advice on contractual and corporate matters and in the management of corporate operations, such as business restructuring, project financing or financial restructuring.

Graduate in Law from the University of Valencia, CEU-San Pablo. Master's degree from the Instituto de Empresa, Madrid.

He has been recognized by Chambers & Partners, Legal 500 and Best Lawyers.

He has acted as a speaker in various Masters; Conferences and Courses. In particular, he has come and continues to teach subjects belonging to the area of Commercial Law and family business issues at the Fundación de Estudios Bursátiles y Financieros, the Valencia Stock Exchange and the Catholic University of Valencia.

Member of the Valencia Bar Association.

Experience

Ernesto Rey has been a partner in the Garrigues Commercial Law Department since 2011, a firm he joined in 1996. In his professional activity, he has participated in highly complex acquisition, restructuring and financing operations, including:

- M&A operations in various sectors, with special attention to the primary sector, both in the hands of private equity entities and family businesses, defending the interests of the buyer or seller.
- Management of due diligence processes.
- Project financing operations.

- Financial restructuring operations, hand in hand with bank pools or representing the interests of the refinanced companies.

He also provides ongoing advice on contractual and corporate matters on a recurring basis to large national and foreign companies established mainly in the geographical area of the Valencian Community through his capacity as legal adviser to the board, or as non-director secretary of the administrative body. It also provides special advice on these matters:

- Family business: active participation in processes for defining the family strategic plan, drafting family protocols, drafting partner agreements and parasocial agreements.
- Incorporation of entities regulated by the National Securities Market Commission.
- Advice on protected plant varieties, defining the corporate structure of entities that exploit this type of rights, as well as their contractual platform.
- Minor issues in the field of succession civil law.

Academic background

Degree in Law, Universidad CEU (Valencia).

Master's degree in Legal Counseling for Businesses, Instituto de Empresa (Madrid).

Teaching activity

Professor at the Catholic University of Valencia since 2010.

Professor at the Fundación de Estudios Bursátiles y Financieros, of Valencia.

Professor and organizer of the Family Business Program, EDEM, Valencia.

Professor of various courses and programs organized by the Valencia Bar Association.

Memberships

Member of Bar Association of Valencia.

Member of the Commercial Law section, of the Regulatory Compliance and Business section, and of the Agrarian and Water Law section.

Distinctions

Several recognitions in Chambers & Partners, Legal 500 and Best Lawyers, including the status of Lawyer of the Year 2023.

Publications

- Publication of various articles on Commercial Law in corporate and contractual matters.
- Family Business Management in the newspaper Expansión and other economic publications.

- Participation in the book "Family Businesses and Stock Market"; Ed. Thomson Civitas.