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Dispute Resolution: Litigation and Arbitration

Criminal Law and Internal Investigations

Family Business

Álvaro Polo is a lawyer in the Dispute Resolution: Litigation and Arbitration department in Zaragoza.

The main focus of his work are ongoing advisory services and litigation counsel services, in cases and proceedings under civil and business law and white collar crime laws.

He also provides advisory services on the drawing up of legal vehicles or arrangements subject to Aragonese Civil Law for family businesses (succession agreements, fiduciary arrangements, wills, matrimonial agreements, among others).

His specialized corporate compliance training adds to his skill set for services related to white-collar crime and equips him to provide comprehensive advisory services on crime risk prevention, corporate compliance programs, criminal liability of legal entities and designing corporate governance frameworks tailored to family businesses.

Experience

Álvaro Polo has been senior associate in the Garrigues Litigation and Arbitration Department since 2023 and joined the firm in 2016. He has particular experience in the following areas:

Civil and Commercial Litigation

Álvaro advises on and manages proceedings related to termination, compliance and interpretation of all types of civil and commercial contracts, including real estate law matters, corporate disputes, noncontractual liability, unfair competition and directors' liability. His experience further includes landlord and tenant proceedings related to rent claims, contractual termination and eviction, together with disputes over the validity and interpretation of banking contracts.

Criminal Law - White-collar Crime

Álvaro participates as counsel in criminal proceedings at courts and tribunals throughout Spain on white collar crime and corporate offenses.

He also provides advisory services on corporate compliance in the design, preparation and implementation of corporate compliance plans, programs and models (risk assessment, preparation of crime risk maps and monitoring measures, development of crime risk management systems, organization models, professional codes of ethics and conduct, anti-corruption internal policies, manuals and policies, ethics and whistleblowing channels, internal investigations and disciplinary action rules), as well as on internal reporting channels and report handling procedures under the whistleblower protection rules.

Family Business

Alvaro provides advisory services to family businesses on governance planning and structuring, including decisions by family business members, gifts, succession agreements and wills. He also acts in succession lawsuits.

Academic background

- Executive Program in Corporate Compliance, Centro de Estudios Garrigues, Madrid, 2026.
- LL.M and MBA Certificate of Business Administration, Instituto de Empresa (IE).
- Examinations to the State Attorney's Counsel.
- Degree in Law, Universidad de Zaragoza.

Memberships

He is currently a member of the Zaragoza Bar Association.