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EU and Antitrust Law

Administrative and Constitutional Law

Planning, Zoning and Environment

Lluís Cases has a high level of expertise in public law, planning and zoning, and antitrust matters. He is the partner in charge of the department at the Barcelona office. He has recently taken on the leadership of the Garrigues Smart City Group. He is named in the main publications of reference as an expert on these areas.

He is a regular speaker at specialist seminars organized, among others, by the Barcelona Bar Association, Universidad Pompeu Fabra, the Associació de Promotors i Constructores d'Edificis, Universidad Internacional Menéndez y Pelayo, Universidad Carlos III, Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Federació de Municipis de Catalunya, Associació de Municipis de Catalunya, Esade, Universidad de Barcelona, the Cataluña Economists' Association and the Smart City Congress.

Experience

He has extensive experience in the drafting and legal defense of partial and special planning and zoning management instruments for the public administration and the private sector.

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He was a member of the Committee of Experts for the study and diagnosis of the state of public procurement, set up by the Ministry of Finance in 2004.

He was called up by the Lower House of the Spanish Parliament as an expert on the process for approval of the Antitrust Law. He was called up by the Catalan Parliament as a public procurement expert in 2005.

Member of the “Social Cohesion/zoning” Strategy Subcommittee for the drafting of the Barcelona Metropolitan Strategic Plan.

Academic background

- Degree in law, Faculty of Law, Universidad de Barcelona (1987).
- Doctor of Law, Tenured Professor in Administrative Law and lecturer at Universidad Autónoma de Barcelona since 1990.
- Master’s Degree in Comparative Law, Faculty of Law, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona (1991).

Memberships

- Barcelona Bar Association
- Urban Land Institute (ULI)
- Asociación para Defensa de la Competencia.

Publications

He has published over 15 books or chapters of books and more than 20 journal articles, as well as articles in the mainstream press.

He has been the director of the Fundación ICO Antitrust Yearbook since its creation in 1996.

Noteworthy publications include: “Derecho Administrativo de la Defensa de la Competencia” (Administrative Antitrust Law), 1995; “Barreras de Entrada en las Infraestructuras de Telecomunicaciones” (Barriers to Entry in Telecommunications Infrastructure), 2000; “La Implantación de Grandes Establecimientos Comerciales, (The Setting-up of Large Retail Establishments), 1998; “La denominada “Segunda Licencia” en la Ley del Comercio” (The so-called “Second License” in the Trade Law), Idelco, 1999; “Inventario de Problemas sobre el Suelo” (Inventory of Land Problems) in Suelo y precio de la vivienda, 1995; “Competition Law and Policy in Spain: Implementation in an Interventionist tradition” in “Regulating Europe; Regulation of retail trade”. Commentary on Law 7/1996 and on Organic Law 2/1996, both of January 15, 1996; “La evolución normativa y la organización administrativa del urbanismo en Cataluña” (Legislative evolution and administrative organization of planning and zoning in Cataluña) in El nuevo Derecho Urbanístico. “Estudios sobre el marco jurídico del urbanismo en Cataluña” (Studies of the legal framework for planning and zoning in Cataluña), 1999; “Concentrations and retail business; an overview of Spanish practice in concentration in the retail sector”, Antitrust & Competition Review 2004; “Los puntos de conexión en la Ley 1/2002” (The Points of Connection in Law 1/2002), in La modernización del derecho de la competencia. En España y en la Unión Europea, 2005; Commentaries on several articles in “Comentarios a la Ley de Contratos de las Administraciones Públicas, 2003”; “Regulación y competencia. Límites y conexiones en Derecho de la regulación económica” (Regulation and Competition. Limits and Connections in Law of economic regulation), 2009.