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Max has been a corporate/M&A partner since 1991. His practice focuses on board advice (including shareholder activism), cross-border M&A, public takeovers and private equity.

Major public M&A transactions include Bayer/Schering, Blackstone/Celanese, Bosch/Buderus, Clariant/Süd Chemie, Daimler/Chrysler, Deutsche Telekom/Voicestream, Deutsche Wohnen/GSW, e.on/Endesa, Linde/The BOC Group, McKesson/Celesio, PPR/Puma, Vodafone/Kabel Deutschland and Vonovia/Deutsche Wohnen.

In private M&A for strategics, Max advised e.g. Siemens on the sale of VDO, e.on on the sale of VEBA Electronics, Henkel on the sale of Cognis, Tchibo on the sale of Reemtsma, Vodafone on the acquisition of Unity Media and Elanco on the acquisition of Bayer Animal Health. His work for financial sponsors includes advising Advent (Takko), Blackstone (Gerresheimer Glas, Sulo), BDT & MSD (Exyte), EQT (Kabel Baden-Württemberg, Springer Science, Symrise, Tognum), One Equity Partners (Süd Chemie), Silver Lake (Software) and KKR (Airbus Defence Electronics, Bosch Telecom (Tenovis), Encavis, Versatel, Wincor, GfK, WMF).

Max has been the long-time advisor to the board of major German companies. He advised inter alia on the mergers of Daimler/Chrysler, Linde/Praxair and Krupp/Hoesch, the holding concept of Talanx, the demerger of Celanese and the transformation of Fresenius from a SE to a KGaA. In connection with his corporate practice, he advised on equity capital markets transactions such as the IPOs and listings of Agfa-Gevaert, DaimlerChrysler, Deutsche Post, Deutsche Telekom, Celanese, Merck, Hannover Re, Hoechst (NYSE listing), Stinnes, United Internet and Talanx.

Max teaches corporate law at Düsseldorf Law School and is the author of books and law review articles on mergers & acquisitions and corporate law.

After being ranked as a "Star Individual" for two decades, Max is

Career

McKinsey, 1985

Admitted to bar 1986

University of Munich (J.D. 1982, S.J.D. in corporate law 1985)

Harvard Law School (LL.M. 1986)

New York Law firm, 1987-1988

Publications

Co-author: Meyer-Sparenberg/Jäckle, M&A-Handbook

Co-author: Hommelhoff/Hopt/Leyens, Corporate Governance Handbook

Memberships

Chairman Committee "Corporate and M&A", International Bar Association, 1998-2002

Founder and Co-Chair New York M&A Conference, 2002-2017

Chairman Capital Markets Forum, 2002-2004

listed as "Senior Statesman" in the chapters "Corporate/M&A: High-end Capability" and "Private Equity" in the Chambers Global Guide.