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Annett Rombach, LL.M. (University of Miami), partner, advises our clients in arbitration and state court proceedings relating to national and international disputes in the fields of commercial law, IP and sports law. She has special expertise as counsel in corporate and commercial arbitration proceedings conducted under the auspices of all leading arbitration institutions. Another of her practice areas is sports law. She advises professional athletes, clubs, federations and marketing agencies on all sports-related legal issues.

Annett Rombach is an arbitrator at the International Court of Arbitration for Sport in Lausanne (CAS), the Basketball Arbitral Tribunal (BAT) in Geneva and the Court of Innovative Arbitration in Zurich (COIA). She is also regularly appointed as an arbitrator in proceedings before other arbitral institutions (e.g. ICC, DIS). As an arbitrator, she has been involved in more than 180 proceedings to date.

Ms. Rombach is an adjunct lecturer at the University of Zurich in the LL.M. program in International Commercial Arbitration and at the Sports University Cologne at the Institute for Sports Economics and Sports Management.

Specializations

- Advice with respect to all procedural and substantive law aspects of international arbitrations governed by the arbitration rules of the leading arbitration institutions (incl. ICC, DIS, LCIA);
- Advice on issues of sports law, including association law, contract law (e.g. sponsorship, marketing, brokerage and management), anti-doping, liability and litigation

- Advice with respect to recognition and enforcement proceedings in Germany relating to domestic and international arbitration awards;
- Resolution of sports disputes in arbitration proceedings governed by the rules of CAS, the BAT and the Swiss PILS, rendering of decisions in accordance with, *inter alia*, the principles of ex aequo et bono.

Publications and Lectures

- „Die Wirksamkeit langfristiger Talentförderungsverträge mit minderjährigen Sportlern“, together with Jonas Kronen, *Causa Sport* 2020, 444;
- “Die Auswirkungen des “Brexit” auf den Spielermarkt der Premier League”, together with Dr. André Soldner and Michael Gastell, *Causa Sport* 2019, 3;
- „The Prague Rules: A New Era of Precedure in Arbitration or Much Ado about Nothing?“ together with Hannah Shalbanava, *SchiedsVZ* 2019, 53
- „Pechstein vs. CAS: Game, Set and Match for Sports Arbitration?“, *SchiedsVZ* 2016, 276 et seq.;
- „The ‘Pechstein-judgment’ of the OLG München: What does it mean for international sports and commercial arbitration?“, *SchiedsVZ* 2015, 105 et seq.;
- „‘Age Concern Germany’: Zur gemeinschaftsrechtlichen (Un-)Zulässigkeit von Altershöchstgrenzen im öffentlichen Dienst“, *NVwZ* 2010, 102.

Education and Career

- Partner at Klinkert Partners (2020);
- Associate at Klinkert Partners (2015);
- Associate at Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP, Frankfurt (2009 to 2015);
- Admission to the Bar (2009);
- Legal clerkship at the Regional Court of Frankfurt am Main (second state examination 2008), stage at the International Dispute Resolution practice group of Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP in New York;
- Master of Laws (LL.M.) at the University of Miami School of Law (USA) with a focus on International Commercial Law (2005-2006), Fulbright scholarship;
- Legal Study at the Free University of Berlin (first state examination 2005), scholarship at the German Academic Scholarship Foundation (Studienstiftung des Deutschen Volkes).