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About Katarína

Katarína Ottová is an associate in our Bratislava office and a member of the firm's Corporate Practice Group. Katarína's practice focuses on general corporate, M&A, real estate, employment, regulatory and compliance matters. She is frequently involved in cross-border, multijurisdictional projects across the firm's global network.

Katarína has wide-ranging experience in multijurisdictional and domestic corporate transactions, including complex due diligence reviews focusing mainly on corporate, real estate and employment issues.

In addition to her experience with corporate, real estate and employment matters, Katarína focuses her practice on regulatory and compliance matters, including regulatory investigations, life sciences and the pharma industry. She routinely acts for clients in internal investigations concerning international financial regulations, international economic sanctions and anti-money laundering (AML).

Also, Katarína deals with a wide range of employment matters on an ongoing basis, from drafting employment agreements to arranging for termination of employment and negotiating with outgoing employees.

Katarína graduated from the Faculty of Law at the Comenius University in Bratislava, in 2018. Previously, she worked as a law clerk for our firm and gained experience during her internship at the Supreme Court of the Slovak Republic.

Experience

- Advising a leading European automotive manufacturer on the sale of its business unit following approval by the European Commission.
- Advising a US-based industrial leader in engineered bearings and power transmission products, in acquisition of a privately owned manufacturer of highly engineered cycloidal reduction gears and actuators located in the Slovak Republic. The transaction, which was subject to customary closing conditions, was funded with cash on hand and borrowings from credit facilities. A significant part of the transaction was the real estate due diligence and acquisition of two production facilities, including one newly developed state-of the-art plant.

- Advising a pharmaceutical company with respect to branch registration, including advice in respect of various corporate and healthcare regulatory matters related to the client's contemplated operation in the Slovak Republic.
- Assisting the client with project management of closing of the global sale of the client's global hydraulics division to Danfoss. Assisting with various closing issues across approximately 30 jurisdictions in EMEA.
- Providing legal advice on the internal structuring of dividend distribution and related regulatory impacts, including the Ultimate Beneficial Owners (UBO) registration.
- Providing legal advice regarding country-specific regulatory aspects of distribution and promotion of medical products.
- Providing legal advice regarding country-specific regulatory aspects of reimbursement and pricing regulation of medicinal products.
- Advising a leading global provider of essential components and solutions with three global divisions – components, packaging and filters – on reduction of the company's warehouse capabilities, involving advising on organisational changes and mass dismissal.
- Assisting a world-leading provider of services, software, hardware and security in the ongoing process of implementing a global working from home policy aiming to significantly reduce office spaces and have employees working from home permanently, including specific procedures for evaluating home office premises as suitable from an occupational health and safety perspective, and practical recommendations on suitable data protection measures, as well as measures preventing the isolation and discrimination of employees performing work from home.
- Advising one of the world's largest giants in the chemical industry on preparation of internal HR policies.
- Providing an international packaging company with an analysis of internal rules of temporary assignment and posting of employees in terms of compliance with Slovak law, including several models of cooperation with external entities in the implementation of the company's business plans.
- Supporting a world-leading pharmaceutical company in a project involving the sale of a number of its pharmaceutical brands and associated commercialisation businesses worldwide. The advice focused primarily on employment law aspects linked with transfer of employees to the purchaser.
- Advising a European market leader in the sale of plastic containers and pallets on complete legal support in connection with the liquidation of its subsidiary in the Slovak Republic.
- Representing one of the world's largest retailers in a complex real property title litigation relating to property under existing buildings and adjacent land. The representation involves a historical claim of legal title to land originally seized from historical owners by the Slovak state.
- Advising one of the largest residential developers with regard to the permitting process of a building within a new residential project in Western Slovakia.
- Advising a client in relation to the acquisition of accommodation facilities, including due diligence regarding corporate, insurance, employment and financing matters.

Credentials

Education

- Comenius University in Bratislava, Mgr., 2018

Admissions

- Attorney, Slovak Bar Association, 2025

Recognitions

- Recommended in *Legal 500 EMEA* 2025 for Commercial, Corporate and M&A, Real Estate and Construction and Employment

Expertise

Services

- Corporate

Publications

- “What is the cost of termination of employment?”, *AmCham Connection*, January 2020.
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