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Sibel Owji focuses her practice on corporate international tax, operational, legal and business advisory, planning and structuring, global transfer pricing strategy, planning and documentation, international tax controversy, cross-border acquisitions, dispositions and joint ventures, cross-border post-acquisition integration planning and structuring, legal entity rationalization of global structures, tax treaty issues, repatriation planning, US taxation of foreign operations and related topics, including, worldwide tax minimization, IP planning and structuring, supply chain planning and structuring, planning regarding key US Tax Reform provisions (e.g., BEAT, GILTI, FDII), including related modeling, planning regarding US anti-deferral regimes including Sub-part F and tax free reorganizations of US based multinationals.

Sibel has led and managed significant number of large and complex global legal, operational and tax structuring projects. She participated in design and detailed implementation phases of such projects as well as review and audit of such global structures from both legal and tax perspectives for clients in diverse industries and jurisdictions.

Sibel has a diverse and broad legal and professional experience practicing law for 28 years with a focus on international tax, business and legal advisory for nearly the last two decades.

In addition to her role at DLA Piper, Sibel acted as the Interim International Tax Director for one of her clients that is a large, US based multinational publicly traded technology company for nearly a year. She managed their global tax operations including the US, Latin America, EMEA and APAC regions.

Sibel is member of DLA Piper's National Diversity and Inclusion Committee as the co-chair for the San Francisco office.

LANGUAGES SPOKEN

- Turkish

RELATED SERVICES

- Tax
- International Tax Counsel
- Transfer Pricing

LANGUAGES SPOKEN

Turkish

CREDENTIALS

Admissions

- California

Prior Experience

Before joining DLA Piper, Sibel worked for Deloitte Tax LLP for nearly seven years concentrating on international tax, operational and business issues and structuring projects, including tax compliance, accounting and financial statement audit aspects of global operations of US based multinationals. She was located in Deloitte's Silicon Valley and San Francisco offices and in its Washington National Tax office, where she was a member of the Deloitte Management Development Program, a leadership training program for top tax managers.

Before joining Deloitte, Sibel spent five years as an attorney in Turkey and four years as Legal Counsel for The Confederation of the Turkish Trade Unions ("Turk-Is"), the largest labor organization in Turkey. She engaged in lobbying activities before the Grand National Assembly of Turkey and the Legislative Branch, represented Turk-Is in various legislative committees related to key employment legislation and on wide variety of litigation matters.

Recognitions

Chambers Global has repeatedly recognized Sibel as a leading practitioner in International Tax. Sibel "is commended for her broad-based international tax practice."

The Legal 500 United States, another well-regarded legal directory, also recommends Sibel for her international tax practice. She is described as a "very astute" legal advisor, "incredibly knowledgeable" "and gives 'thoughtful' and 'thorough' advice."

Education

- LL.M., Comparative Law, University of Florida
- LL.M., Taxation, University of Florida