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Dr Michael Stulz-Herrnstadt is a highly regarded professional in the field of regulatory and public commercial law, in particular in the media, telecommunications, entertainment and gaming sectors.

His practice focuses on advising national and international companies on media regulation law (broadcasting, telecommunications, online, media anti-trust, youth protection, advertising and information access laws), on raffle and gaming laws, on postal and transport law as well as on constitutional law.

Michael regularly represents his clients before regulatory authorities and in administrative courts. He has extensive litigation experience and has successfully guided his clients through lengthy landmark proceedings all the way to the Federal Administrative Court and the Federal Constitutional Court. Furthermore, Michael has significant experience in corporate fine proceedings.

LANGUAGES SPOKEN

- English
- French
- German

EXPERIENCE

- Advising and representing one of Europe's largest media groups with respect to numerous regulatory landmark proceedings before the regulatory authorities and the administrative courts (e.g. concerning broadcasting licenses, media concentration and media anti-trust law, protection of minors, regulation of advertising)
- Advising and representing an international telecommunications provider in respect of dispute settlement proceedings before the regulatory authority in the area of the "Internet of Things"
- Advising and representing a leading news publishing house regarding landmark proceedings before the Federal Administrative Court concerning information access rights

RELATED SERVICES

- Litigation, Arbitration and Investigations
- Administrative Law
- Intellectual Property and Technology
- Media, Sport, Gaming and Entertainment
- Transport
- EU Law and Policy

RELATED SECTORS

- Media, Sport and Entertainment
- Technology

LANGUAGES SPOKEN

English French
German

- Advising international and national companies in respect of the entire range of gaming law (e.g. concerning licensing, youth protection law, regulation of advertising)
- Advising and representing a leading publishing house regarding (regulated) postal and transport law and contractual issues
- Representing companies from various regulated sectors (e.g. media, entertainment, telecommunications, aviation, securities and building materials) in over 100 administrative fine proceedings

CREDENTIALS

Prior Experience

Prior to joining DLA Piper, Michael worked for several years as a partner for another international law firm.

Recognitions

- *JUVE Handbook 2019/2020*: Frequently recommended for technology and media: contracts and copyrights, regulatory, as well as transactions and financing; “reliable, competent, fast, with good market knowledge”, “long-standing, good collaboration, excellent, even with respect to very complex issues”, clients
- *Legal 500 Germany 2020*: Recommended for media: entertainment (including gambling); “represents clients in fundamental regulatory issues in the higher courts having and outstanding expertise and an impressive success rate”, “one of the first names for gambling law in Germany” (2019)
- *Handelsblatt* in cooperation with *Best Lawyers 2020*: Recommended for media law
- *Kanzleimonitor 2019/2020*: Recommended for media law
- *Who’s Who Legal 2019*: Recognized as a leading practitioner in the field of “telecoms & media” in Germany

Education

- Universities of Göttingen and of Vienna, First State Examination, 1998
- Higher Regional Court of Hamburg, Second State Examination, 2004
- University of Göttingen, Ph.D., 2003

Memberships

- German-French Lawyer Association
- Association of European Lawyers from University of Göttingen

INSIGHTS

Publications

German media productions and filming in times of the Corona pandemic

17 April 2020

Which legal regulations must be observed? Am I still allowed to film in my production facility? Are my employees still allowed to come to work? Is exterior filming on public ground still permissible?

Update: Gambling regulation in Germany – An interim solution for sports betting

6 September 2019

In March this year, the German Conference of Ministers-President agreed on the third amendment of the State Treaty on Gambling (*Dritter Glücksspieländerungsstaatsvertrag – 3. GlüÄndStV*). This interim amendment is intended to extend the so-called experimental phase that allows private sports betting companies to operate in Germany alongside the state operator.

Michael is a frequent speaker in the fields of media, regulation and gambling law, as well as the author of numerous publications in these fields.

Recently published:

- "New rules for media services: The long road to fair competition", *Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung* of 21.11.2019 (with Prof Dr Stefan Engels)
- Chapter on gambling regulation in the handbook "Getting the Deal Through", *Gaming Germany 2018*, London 2018 (with Christoph Engelmann)
- "Internet ban on poker and casino games complies with EU law", *Comments on the judgment of the Federal Administrative Court of 26.10.2017*, *GRUR-Prax 2018*, 267 (with Christoph Engelmann)
- "The new German Anti Money-Laundering Act – Impact on Gambling Operators", *ZfWG 2017*, 475 (with Christoph Engelmann)
- "Sports betting intermediation permitted with EU-concession in North Rhine-Westphalia", *Comments on the judgment of the Higher Administrative Court Muenster of 23.1.2017*, *GRUR-Prax 2017*, 132 (with Christoph Engelmann)
- "Unlawful prohibition of sports betting", *Comments on the judgment of the Federal Administrative Court of 15.6.2016*", *GRUR-Prax 2016*, 542 (with Christoph Engelmann)
- "Public sports betting monopoly persists in practice contrary to EU law", *Comments on the judgment of the European Court of Justice of 4.2.2016 – "Ince"*, *GRUR-Prax 2016*, 106 (with Christoph Engelmann)
- "Media anti-trust law", *AfP 2013- 2015* (ongoing), (with Jörg Witting, Martin Jäger, Judith Hoffmann)
- "Unconstitutionality of sections of the State Treaty on Games of Chance", *Comments on the judgment of the Bavarian Constitutional Court of 25.9.2015*, *GRUR-Prax 2015*, 491 (with Christoph Engelmann)
- "No prohibition of advertising for sports betting on TV", *Comments on the judgment of the Higher Administrative Court Munich of 2.4.2015*, *ZfWG 2015*, 250 (with Christoph Engelmann)
- "„Weather betting“ is no public game of chance", *Comments on the judgment of the Federal Administrative Court of 9.7.2014*, *GRUR-Prax 2014*, 445 (with Christoph Engelmann)
- "Singular course of Schleswig-Holstein causes no incoherence of the State Treaty on Games of Chance", *Comments on the judgment of the European Court of Justice of 12.6.2014 – "Digibet"*, *GRUR-Prax 2014*, 310 (with Christoph Engelmann)

NEWS

DLA Piper advises Samsung Electronics on its investment in Verimi

1 FEB 2019

DLA Piper has advised Samsung Electronics on its investment in Verimi GmbH. Samsung Electronics joins a group of twelve international companies from a variety of industries. These include Allianz, Axel Springer, Bundesdruckerei, Core, Daimler, Deutsche Bahn, Deutsche Bank und Postbank, Deutsche Telekom, Lufthansa and Volkswagen Financial Services.
