CURRICULUM VITAE

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POSTGRADUATE DEGREES

LL.M. in International Sports Law

INSTITUTO SUPERIOR DE DERECHO Y ECONOMIA, MADRID, SPAIN

Summa Cum Laude Jan 2010 – Dec 2010

LAW DEGREES

Master and Bachelor in Law - Major Economic and Social law

UNIVERSITY OF GHENT, BELGIUM

Cum Laude Sept 2004 – Jun 2009

Master in International Law - Erasmus Exchange

UNIVERSITY OF COPENHAGEN, DENMARK

Cum Laude Sept 2008 - Jan 2009

EXPERIENCE

ATTORNEY-AT-LAW, INTERNATIONAL SPORTS LAW

FC Barcelona

Oct 2017 – Present Barcelona, Spain

Working mainly in the field of international sports law for the different sport entities of FC Barcelona, which besides a professional football team also encompasses a professional basketball and handball team. Besides working on the regulatory side of the different sports, also overseeing the sports' related litigation of the club in front of the different sports judicial bodies (FIFA; CAS etc.) and maintaining institutional relations with UEFA, FIFA and the ECA.

HEAD OF LEGAL

European Club Association

Jan 2011 – Sep 2017 Nyon, Switzerland

Working mainly in the fields of international sports law & football regulations for the members of the European Club Association. The European Club Association is comprised of the 214 football clubs. ECA exists to directly represent football clubs and safeguard and promote their interests on club football matters.

Main achievements working at ECA:

- Preparation of & dealing with EU Competition law complaints within the world of football related to f.e. the transfer system complaint by the Trade Union, the TPO complaint, Financial Fair Play Complaint
- Drafted, reviewed and negotiated set of complex Memorandums of Understanding between ECA and UEFA and ECA and FIFA
- Negotiated the setting-up of and the content of the By-laws & Shareholders' agreement of a joint venture company between ECA UEFA
- Strong involvement in the revision process of the UEFA Club Licensing Financial Fair PlayRegulations & the UEFA Disciplinary Regulations
- Sports Regulatory advice to and assisting member clubs with procedures in front of the judicial bodies of UEFA, FIFA and the Court of Arbitration for Sport
- Representation of ECA in working groups at the European Commission, the European Parliament, EU
 Social Dialogue and at FIFA and UEFA level
- Drafting, reviewing and negotiations of commercial contracts with service providers & commercial partners
- Intensively worked in a multi-disciplinary team in a political environment

SINGLE JUDGE ON & MEMBER OF THE FIFA PLAYERS' STATUS COMMITTEE (PSC)

Jan 2017 – Present **Zurich, Switzerland**

 Single Judge on the FIFA Players' Status Committee (PSC) dealing with disputes between coaches, national associations, clubs and player agents. Member of the PSC - which analyses & propose regulatory changes

JUDGE ON THE FIFA DISPUTE RESOLUTION CHAMBER (DRC) FIFA

May 2016 —Present **Zurich, Switzerland**

 Judge in the labor tribunal of FIFA dealing amongst others with disputes between clubs, coaches and professional football players.

MEDIATOR

Court of Arbitration for Sport

Jan 2015 - Present Lausanne, Switzerland

- Appointed mediator on the list of Mediators at the Court of Arbitration for Sport in Lausanne, the supreme body for dispute resolution within the world of sports

QUALIFIED ATTORNEY-AT-LAW, BRUSSELSBAR COUNCIL ALTIUS Avocat

Aug 09 - Dec 10 & Oct. 14 - Present Brussels, Belgium

Registered at the Brussels' Bar Council via ALTIUS lawyers

OTHER

Guest Lecturer at the LL.M. International Sports Law as well as at Global Executive Master in International Sports Law at the Instituto Superior de Derecho y Economia in Madrid, Spain

Guest speaker at sports law seminars

Numerous publications of articles and case studies on sports law

LANGUAGE SKILLS

DUTCH:

mother tongue

ENGLISH:

excellent speaking, reading and writing skills

FRENCH:

fluent in speaking, reading and writing

SPANISH:

good in speaking, reading, and writing

GERMAN:

basic understanding

OTHER INFORMATION

SPORTS:

Football & tennis

INTERESTS:

Travelling & world politics