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Corporate M&A

Equity Capital Markets

Real Estate

Donatella Ruggiero practices commercial and corporate law and focuses on M&A (private and public), equity capital markets and real estate.

She assists private equity funds, public and private companies and banks in relation to extraordinary transactions, acquisitions, majority and minority investments, joint ventures and corporate reorganizations, including main transactions in the Italian and cross-border markets. She also assists Italian entrepreneurs in transactions involving the sale of their companies and/or re-investment.

She has significant experience in drafting and negotiating acquisition agreements, commercial agreements, investment agreements, shareholders' agreements and management incentive plans.

She graduated with the highest grades in 2018 from Luigi Bocconi University (Milan) and has gained study and work experience internationally.

She completed a secondment program in New York (NY) at a leading US law firm in the period 2025 - 2026.

Professional Experience

SENIOR ASSOCIATE | FROM 2026

Legance – Avvocati Associati, Milan, Italy

VISITING LAWYER | 2025 – 2026

Sullivan & Cromwell LLP, New York, U.S.A.

SENIOR ASSOCIATE | 2023 – 2025

Legance – Avvocati Associati, Milan, Italy

ASSOCIATE | 2019 – 2023

Legance – Avvocati Associati, Milan, Italy

TRAINEE | 2018

DLA Piper, Milan, Italy

INTERN | 2017

Permanent Representation of Italy to the European Union, Brussels, Belgium

INTERN | 2017

Court of Milan, Milan, Italy

*Education***2022**

Admitted to the Bar. Member of the Milan Bar, Italy

2018

Law Degree, *maxima*, Università Commerciale Luigi Bocconi, Milan, Italy