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○ Dispute Resolution

Carolina Piovano has gained significant experience in advising a diverse array of corporations and financial institutions, skillfully navigating complex litigation and domestic arbitration cases.

She has been representing leading international and domestic clients, including primary investment banks and corporates in the energy sector, on corporate, banking, financial, and commercial disputes.

Her expertise spans both pre-litigation and litigation phases, as well as bankruptcy and insolvency proceedings.

Carolina graduated with honors in 2009 at the Università di Torino, where she then obtained a PhD in Civil Procedural Law. She completed her academic career with an LL.M. from the University of Oxford in 2013.

In addition to her proficiency in traditional corporate and commercial litigation, Carolina has developed a strong expertise in ESG-related matters. She had advised boards of companies and financial institutions on managing risks associated with climate change, greenwashing, and biodiversity loss, helping them stay ahead of emerging challenges in today's rapidly evolving business landscape.

She has participated in several conferences on Climate Change Litigation and since 2022 she has been Rapporteur for the European Court of Human Rights and for Italy of the Sabin Center of Climate Change Law at Columbia University.

Professional Experience

MANAGING ASSOCIATE | FROM 2024

Legance – Avvocati Associati, Milan, Italy

SENIOR ASSOCIATE | 2014 – 2024

Clifford Chance, Milan, Italy

SECONDMENT | 2022

Barclays Bank PLC, Milan, Italy

ASSOCIATE | 2014 – 2019

Clifford Chance, Milan, Italy

TRAINEE | 2009 – 2011

Studio Legale Mazzi e Trinchera, Turin, Italy

INTERN | 2007 – 2008

Studio Legale Avv. Cristina Spadaro, Turin, Italy

Education

2021

Master on Business Sustainability, Sole24 Ore Business School, Milan, Italy

2018

Certificate in International Commercial Arbitration, Università Roma Tre, Rome, Italy

2015

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

2013

LL.M., University of Oxford, Oxford, United Kingdom

2013

Ph.D. in Civil Procedure Law, Università di Torino, Turin, Italy

2012

Visiting Researcher, University of Oxford, Oxford, United Kingdom

2009

Law Degree, *maxima cum laude*, Università di Torino, Turin, Italy

Publications

She is the author and co-author of commentaries and books. Among others:

- *"I provvedimenti Cautelari"*, Lezioni sul nuovo processo civile - La Riforma Cartabia a cura di Eugenio Dalmotto, Zanichelli, 2023;
- *"Manuale della nuova Esecuzione Civile"* a cura di Antonio Lombardi, NelDiritto Editore, 2023;
- *"Illegally obtained evidence: what can lawyers use in court?"*, Thelawyer.com, 2014.

Seminar and Conferences

Carolina has participated as a speaker and lecturer in the following seminars and masters:

- *Executive Program on Biodiversity & Business Sustainability - Module 5: Biodiversity Policies & Legal Framework*, European Institute of Innovation for Sustainability (EiIS), February 2024;
- *Greenwashing and Environmental Communication: risks and remedies – Master in Sostenibilità Aziendale*, Sole 24Ore Business School, 2022 – 2024;
- *ESG and Climate Change Litigation: a global phenomenon – Master in Sostenibilità Aziendale*, Sole 24Ore Business School, 2022 – 2024;
- *The Civil Liability of Credit Rating Agencies*, Università degli Studi di Milano, April 2017 – 2024;
- *Corso di alta formazione professionale per avvocati delegati alle vendite immobiliari e custodi giudiziari di beni immobili pignorati*, Ordine degli Avvocati di Trani, 12 June 2023;
- *Le modifiche apportate all'Esecuzione Forzata dalla Riforma Cartabia*, Ordine degli Avvocati di Trani, 5 May 2023;
- *Annual conference on Global Climate Litigation*, Columbia University - Sabin Center for Climate Change Law, 19 – 20 April 2022;
- *Climate Change Litigation*, Pre-COP26 Global Climate conference, 30 September 2021.