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BIOGRAPHY

Sandrine Giroud joined LALIVE in 2009 and has been a partner of the firm since 2017. She specialises in domestic and international litigation, with a focus on commercial and financial disputes, fraud and asset recovery, white collar crime, mutual legal assistance (in civil and criminal matters), international sanctions, public international law and human rights. She regularly advises and represents companies and individuals in the recovery and protection of their assets through provisional measures, freezing orders, recognition and enforcement of foreign judgements and awards, cross-border insolvency proceedings and execution of contracts. She also advises entities on governance and compliance issues, notably on ESG issues, as well as international organisations on Swiss law and immunity issues.

Sandrine Giroud is a recognised expert in art and cultural property law and in private client disputes, in particular regarding trusts and international family law representing collectors, art market professionals and museums on dispute resolution and transactional matters in art, as well as individuals faced with complex private disputes. She is particularly experienced in sensitive matters and crisis situations requiring the management of reputational and media issues.

Sandrine Giroud is a member of various professional bodies namely the Geneva Bar Association (ODA) of which she is the vice-president, the Swiss Bar Association (FSA/SAV), the International Bar Association (IBA), the Society of Trust and Estate Practitioners (STEP) and the Geneva Association of Business Law (AGDA). An officer since 2015, she became a senior officer of the IBA Litigation Committee in 2021. Passionate about art, she sits on the board of various organisations in this field such as the Swiss National Museum, the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Museum and the Art Law Foundation (which she co-directed from 2014 to 2017). She is a past member of the Task Force of the Responsible Art Market Initiative (RAM) and is recognised as a member of the Professional Advisors to the International Art Market (PAIAM). She has been appointed to the advisory board of the newly created Court of Arbitration for Art

(CAfA) and is among the selected pool of arbitrators for this court. She is a regular speaker at international conferences and frequently publishes on her fields of expertise.

Sandrine Giroud is recognised as an expert by Chambers and Partners in Asset Tracing and Recovery, White Collar Crime and Art law, by The Legal 500 in Litigation and Banking and Finance and by Who's Who Legal in Litigation, Asset Recovery and Private Client.

Before joining LALIVE, Sandrine Giroud worked as a legal adviser at the Swiss Federal Office of Justice in Berne (2006-08). She graduated from the University of Fribourg (2003) and studied at the University of Bristol (2000-01) as well as at the International Humanitarian Law Unit of the University of Nottingham (2004). She also holds an L.L.M in International Dispute Resolution issued jointly by the University of Geneva and the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies (2009) and has a STEP advanced certificate in the law of trusts (2012).

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Speaker: The Veil May be Lifting: What the Art Market Needs to Know About Current and Upcoming Disclosure and other Regulatory Requirements

British Institute of International and Comparative Law (BIICL) – Webinar

Taking Stock: International Commercial Courts in Europe and Asia

17 September 2021

Speaker: Frameworks for International Commercial Court

Ordre des Avocats Genève (ODA) – Commission de formation permanente – Webinar

Séminaire: L'entraide internationale en matière civile et commerciale

Geneva, 14 September 2021

Moderator: L'obtention de preuves internationale

Geneva Business School's – Fine Art International Management MBA program

Crime & Compliance - Fine Art International Management Webinar Series

2 September 2021

Speaker

ABA International Law Section

The First Annual Virtual International Litigation Conference

26-27 May 2021 (Webinar)

Speaker: Nuts and Bolts: Recognition and Enforcement Judgements

Webinar Center for Art Law

Art Law Lunch Talk: Pick A Number and Stick To It

31 March 2021

Speaker

Webinaire Kroll et LALIVE

Recouvrement d'Actifs : Synergies entre actions judiciaires et intelligence économique

30 March 2021

Speaker

Thought Leaders 4 FIRE

Divorce is just the Start: How it all goes wrong - A Unique Series brought to you by Peters & Peters

24 March 2021 (Webinar)

Speaker: Episode Three: Criminal/regulatory authority freezing order / MLA disclosure requests

Thought Leaders 4 FIRE

The Art of Fraud

24 March 2021 (Webinar)

Speaker: An international & cross-discipline panel of experts assess an art fraud case study

The Responsible Art Market Initiative (RAM) - Webinar

Innovation and change in a Responsible Art Market

Geneva, 29 January 2021

Chair: Online art sales and services: managing legal challenges & risks

Commission de formation permanente de l'Ordre des Avocats (Webinar)

Dix ans de CPC - Eclaircissements utiles et incertitudes résiduelles

Geneva, 25 November 2020

Speaker: Le cumul d'actions, l'action partielle et la demande reconventionnelle

Commission des droits de l'Homme (CDH) and Commission de formation permanente (CFP) de l'Ordre des avocats de Genève (ODA)

Entreprises et droits de l'Homme : enjeux pratiques pour l'avocat – Webinaire 1

Geneva, 19 November 2020

Panellist: L'avocat et le respect des droits humains dans l'exercice de sa profession : quels devoirs ?

Commission de formation permanente (ODA), en collaboration avec la Commission ADR et la CIMBAR

Ateliers virtuels Soft Skills, Edition spéciale : Avocat à distance
Geneva, 12 November 2020
Speaker

Seminar UNIGE

Sanctions en droit économique international et suisse
13 October 2020
Speaker: Droit suisse des sanctions et de la confiscation internationales

ALDIC

Webinar
6 October 2020
Speaker: Comment aider le Liban à mieux écrire son histoire – Recouvrement d'avoirs en Suisse

Private Client Global Elite Membinar (Webinar)

Civil Law v. Common Law Attitudes To Trusts & Estates Litigation
16 July 2020
Panellist

Kobre & Kim International Private Client: Virtual Panel Sessions (Webinar)

Global Litigation and Ultra High Net Worth Individuals : Unique Challenges and Strategic Opportunities
6 May 2020
Panellist: Family Disputes, Trust & Estates Litigation and Civil Fraud

Trust & Estates Litigation Forum 2020

Annual Forum for the World's Leading Trust and Estate Litigators
Marrakech, 28 February 2020
Panellist: My court process is better than yours: Switzerland

Trust & Estates Litigation Forum 2020

Annual Forum for the World's Leading Trust and Estate Litigators
Marrakech, 27 February 2020
Panellist: Interactive Focus Groups: Cross jurisdictional privilege: Under attack?

Swiss & Liechtenstein Step Federation 4th Alpine Conference (STEP)

Interlaken, 17 January 2020
Speaker: Art Assets : Practical advice for trustees when buying, holding and selling

31e Journée du droit international privé de l'Institut suisse de droit comparé

Les mesures provisoires dans le contentieux commercial international – Interim Measures in International Commercial Litigation
Lausanne, 23 May 2019
Speaker: Transposition des mesures provisionnelles étrangères en Suisse: séquestre, mesures provisionnelles et autres questions pratiques

ABA Section of International Law Art & Cultural Heritage Committee Webinar

ABA Section of International Law Art & Cultural Heritage webinar
Geneva, 16 May 2019
Speaker: The Responsible Art Market Initiative (RAM)

International Bar Association (IBA)

Annual Litigation Forum: Disruption in litigation - new types of disputes in a new world order
Berlin, 9 May 2019
Moderator: Geopolitics in court - part II – Human Rights rights-based litigation

Faculté de droit de l'Université de Genève

L'irruption des droits humains en droit des obligations

Geneva, 3 May 2019

Speaker: Business & Human Rights: aspects contractuels

KNect 365

Private Clients Trans Trusts Conference

Geneva, 30 April 2019

Speaker: Art as a Trust Investment

KNect 365 – Trust in Litigation Conference

Athens, 14 February 2019

Speaker: Valentine's Day Blind Date: Get to know my jurisdiction - What are the practical considerations, pitfalls and protections of your jurisdiction? Switzerland

The Responsible Art Market Initiative (RAM)

A Responsible Art Market in Practice

Geneva, 1st February 2019

Speaker: Art Transaction Due Diligence

Serle Court International Trusts and Commercial Litigation Conference

New York, 19 November 2018

Speaker: Attribution, Buyers, and Co-ownership: the ABC of Art litigation for private client and commercial lawyers.

AJA – International Association of Young Lawyers

Double Seminar – Art Law Today and Bank Recovery and Resolution

London, 12 October 2018

Moderator: Art Law Today - Art Finance

International Bar Association (IBA)

Annual Conference

Rome, 9 October 2018

Speaker: Stolen, looted and sold: organised crime, terror financing and money laundering in the art world

Association of International Business Lawyers (AIBL)

Geneva, 27 April 2018

Speaker: Due diligence in the art market: a check list for responsible practices

OffshoreAlert's 16th Annual North American edition

Financial Intelligence & Investigations Conference

Miami, 15-17 April 2018

Speaker: Beneficial Ownership & Value Recovery: Don't Get Owned by What You Don't Know

International Bar Association (IBA)

8th World Women Lawyers' Conference: From Courtroom to Boardroom: The Impact of Women

London, 12-13 April 2018

Co-chair and speaker: Art law - Women on top (or 'Shaking up the codes')

Asset Recovery: Fraud Litigation, Enforcement and Contentious Insolvency

Dublin, 27 February-1st March 2018

Speaker: Asset Holding Structures in a Global World - How are assets typically held in various jurisdictions, and challenges this raises for enforcement

The Responsible Art Market Initiative (RAM)

Building an Art Market 2.0 - Art Transaction Due Diligence Toolkit

Geneva, 2 February 2018

Chair and speaker: RAM's Art Transaction Due Diligence Toolkit and other updates

Business and Human Rights Seminar

The UN Guiding Principles on Business & Human Rights: Corporate policy and Human Rights? Costs, benefits, risks and legal proceedings

Geneva, 30 November 2017

Co-chair (President of the Human Rights Commission of the Geneva Bar Association)

Republic and Canton of Geneva

Etats Généraux de la détention et de la probation

Geneva, 29 November 2017

Speaker: Détention et droits de l'homme : quel standard pour Genève ? (President of the Human Rights Commission of the Geneva Bar Association)

The Appraisers Association of America

Art Law Day

New York, 10 November 2017

Speaker: Regulating the Art Market: Will Ethical and Similar Considerations Spoil all the Fun? – The Responsible Art Market

ALRUD Law Firm

Moscow, 24 November 2017

Speaker: The importance of due diligence for the value of a collection

International Bar Association (IBA)

Annual Conference of the International Bar Association 2017

Sydney, 12 October 2017

Speaker: Trading in art assets: restrictions of the state and the resolution of disputes relating to art works.

International Bar Association (IBA)

Annual Conference of the International Bar Association 2017

Sydney, 11 October 2017

Speaker: Towards global corporate criminal liability?

ACE Avocats Conseils d'Entreprises – Commissions Droit de l'Art, Droit Immobilier et Droit Public

L'Art et la Pierre

Paris, 21 September 2017

Speaker: L'art & la pierre – La perspective Suisse

The Responsible Art Market Initiative / Luxembourg Art Law and Art Finance Association (RAM / LAFA)

Building an art market for the future – RAM Guidelines for Countering Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing Threats

Luxembourg, 19 September 2017

Moderator: Compliance within the art world – The Responsible Art Market Initiative

LALIVE

Art Law Event: La photographie et le droit

Geneva, 30 May 2017

Chair and speaker

Art Law Foundation

L'art du contrat – Les contrats d'artistes

Geneva, 29 May 2017

Chair and moderator

International Bar Association (IBA)

Annual Litigation Forum Conference 2017 – Innovation in Litigation – Prepared for 2027

Zurich, 3-5 May 2017

Co-chair and speaker: Artificial intelligence – How much of you will it replace? How much will it enhance?

The Responsible Art Market Initiative (RAM)

Building an art market for the future – RAM Guidelines for Countering Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing Threats

Geneva, 26 January 2017

Chair and speaker: What is the Responsible Art Market Initiative?

Séminaire Entreprises et droits de l'homme

Today's essential role of the UN Guiding Principles on Business & Human Rights: What lawyers, corporations and banks must know

Geneva, 17 November 2016

Speaker (President of the Human Rights Commission of the Geneva Bar Association)

STEP Arabia

Frontier markets and the future of our business

Dubai, 7 November 2016

Speaker: Investing in Art: How to Structure & Manage an Art Collection

International Bar Association (IBA)

Annual Conference - IBA Litigation Committee and Business Crime Committee

Washington DC, 20 September 2016

Co-chair: How to navigate corporate scandals: the need for 'super lawyers' with criminal and commercial litigation skills. Part 1: the fact-finding phase and Part 2: the remediation phase

International Bar Association (IBA)

Annual Conference - IBA Litigation Committee

Washington DC, 20 September 2016

Co-chair: 1st Global Women Litigators' breakfast

ESTE ARTE, Gallery Studio Sandra Recio, LALIVE

Making Space for Latin American Art

Geneva, 10 June 2016

Speaker: Legal tips to art lovers and art collectors

Art Law Foundation

L'art du contrat – Les ventes d'œuvres d'art

Geneva, 2 June 2016

Chair

Musée des Beaux-Arts du Locle

La Grande Table - Le prix d'une œuvre d'art : le tabou !

Le Locle, 29 May 2016

Speaker

American Bar association (ABA) - Section of International Law

Spring Meeting 2016

New York, 12-16 April 2016

Speaker: On the Trail of Hot Money... Busting Trusts, Piercing Veils and Other Means of Locking Down Stolen Assets

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10th Geneva Forum on Fraud, Asset Tracing & Recovery

Geneva, 17-18 March 2016

Speaker: Asset Recovery Developments in the Middle East & North African (MENA) Region

Art Law Foundation and l'Association des Avocats Conseils d'Entreprises

Art Finance & Law : Risques, règles et opportunités dans les investissements en art

Paris, 12 February 2016

Chair and moderator

Paris Bar

European Lawyers Day – Rentrée du Barreau de Paris

Paris, 10 December 2015

Speaker: Les méthodes alternatives de résolution des litiges et mondialisation : peut-on échapper à l'uniformisation des pratiques ?

Art Law Foundation and Art Law Centre

Colloque sur "Le blanchiment d'argent dans le marché de l'art : une réalité?"

Geneva, 13 November 2015

Speaker: Les devoirs de diligence des acteurs du marché de l'art

C5

4th Miami Forum on Fraud, Asset Tracing & Recovery

Miami, 26-27 October 2015

Speaker: Fraud and Asset Recovery in Latin American and Caribbean Jurisdictions: The Duvalier Case

Association des Avocats Conseils d'Entreprises (ACE)

Les matinées d'étude des commissions REL et droit de l'art

Paris, 22 September 2015

Speaker: Les mécanismes alternatifs de résolution des différends à la rencontre du marché de l'art : La vision suisse

Association des Avocats Conseils d'Entreprises (ACE, International Section)

L'art dans tous ses états

Bologna, 7-8 May 2015

Speaker: La vente d'art en ligne

IBA Art, Cultural Institutions and Heritage Conference

Pure Love of Art versus Mere Investment

London, 26-27 March 2015

Speaker: How and where to structure an art collection? How best to pass on a collection through generations?

Art Law Foundation and the Centre for Banking and Finance Law of the University of Geneva

Art Finance & Law : Risques, règles et opportunités dans les investissements en art

Geneva, le 26 January 2015

Chair and moderator

International Bar Association (IBA)

Hot Topics in European Cross-Border Commercial Disputes: Brussels I Recast and Recent Trends in ECJ and National Case Law

Milan, 11-12 September 2014

Speaker: Brussels I Recast: What about Arbitration?

C5

Forum on Transatlantic Litigation

Amsterdam, 17-18 June 2014

Speaker: Lifting the Lid on Interim Measures: A Comparative Analysis: Switzerland

Art Law Centre, University of Geneva

All Art and Cultural Heritage Law Conference

Geneva, 13-14 June 2014

Speaker: Due Diligence in the Art Market: The Lawyers' Case

International Bar Association (IBA)

Annual Litigation Forum – International Litigation: Crossing the great divide

Montreal, 14-16 May 2014

Speaker: Obtaining evidence abroad: How I can help you?

University of Lausanne - Faculty of law and criminal justice

Cycle de conférences de droit comparé organisé par le Prof. Andrea Bonomi

Lausanne, 7 November 2013

Speaker: Do you speak Mareva? Une institution anglaise à l'aune du droit suisse

LALIVE – Peters & Peters

Freezing and Restitution of Illicit Assets of Politically Exposed Persons: A Swiss Solution?

Geneva, 3 September 2013

Speaker: Draft Federal Act on the Freezing and Restitution of Potentates' Assets: A Critical Review

British Institute of International and Comparative Law (BIICL)

BIICL Annual Conference 2013 - Righting Private Wrongs: Competition Law, Investors Claims and Mass Litigation in the EU

London, 11 June 2013

Speaker: Introduction of collective redress for financial investors in Switzerland

Fordham University School of Law

Eighth Annual Fordham Law School Conference on International Arbitration and Mediation

New York, 11-12 April 2013

Speaker: Consistency and Accuracy in International Mass Claims

British Institute of International and Comparative Law

Settlements and Alternative Mechanisms in Collective Redress

London, 12 February 2013

Speaker: Mass Claims Processes: Innovations on the Front of Evidence

LALIVE / Association of Foreign Banks in Switzerland (AFBS)

Roundtable on Swiss Federal Supreme Court Decision on Retrocessions: Lessons to Be Learnt

Geneva, 11 December 2012

Speaker: The Aftermath of the Retrocession Saga

Academy & Finance

UK Clients & Fiscal Transparency

Geneva, 14 November 2012

Speaker: Rubik, Trusts & Exchange of Information

Swiss Association of Trust Companies (SATC)

Extraordinary General Meeting

Zoug, 30 October 2012

Speaker: Rubik & Trusts: Swiss Cooperation in the Area of Taxation

Association of Foreign Banks in Switzerland (AFBS)

AFBS Roundtable: Rubik & the Final Withholding Tax: Non-UK-domiciled residents and trusts

Geneva, 14 August 2012

Speaker: Rubik & the Final Withholding Tax – Quid with the Trusts?

Geneva Bar Association

La Convention de Lugano révisée : un état des lieux 18 mois après son entrée en vigueur

Geneva, 26 June 2012

Speaker

Globalaw European Regional Meeting

Hamburg, 7-9 June 2012

Speaker: Choice of Law and Choice of Forum in the European Union: From the Rome and Brussels Conventions to the Rome I- and Brussels I-Regulations

International Bar Association (IBA)

Annual Litigation Forum – Multi-Jurisdictional Disputes: The view from inside the corporation

New York, 9-11 May 2012

Speaker: Turning your foreign judgment into cash: How to enforce judgment (and prevent their enforcement) around the world

SHERPA

Expert Meeting on Asset Recovery – Forcing an Effective Asset Recovery Framework: The need for enhancing the role of civil society

Paris, 20 – 21 June 2011

Speaker: The Restitution of Illicit Assets Act alias the Lex Duvalier

REDRESS - Centre Grotius pour les études juridiques internationales

Reparations before the International Criminal Court: Issues and Challenges

Peace Palace, The Hague, 12 May 2011

Speaker: Asset Tracing in Switzerland

LALIVE

L'exposition réelle des Personnes Exposées Politiquement et les risques pour les intermédiaires financiers

Geneva, 7 April 2011

Speaker: Lex Duvalier et la restitution des avoirs illicites de potentats dans le contexte d'États défallants

Geneva Bar Association - La Convention de Lugano révisée : quelles nouveautés ?

Geneva, 20 September 2010

Speaker

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Lecturer - CAS in International Cultural Heritage Law

University of Geneva, Speaker: Due diligence in the art market
2022

Lecturer – Art Law & Provenance Module: Sales Agreements, Commissions & Consignments
University of Zurich, Executive Master in Art Market Studies
2021

Lecturer - International Litigation Advanced
University of Lausanne, LL.M. in International Business Law
2020

RECOMMENDATIONS

Sandrine is a highly specialised attorney in complex asset recovery.
Who's Who Legal, Thought Leaders Global Elite and GIR – Asset Recovery 2023

Thought Leader 2023
Who's Who Legal Thought Leaders: Private Client

"Sandrine is a highly expert asset recovery practitioner. "
Who's Who Legal, Thought Leaders Global Elite – Asset Recovery 2023

"Sandrine Giroud is one of the most qualified, professional, committed and humane people with whom I have dealt with such complex legal cases. "
Chambers Litigation Support Guide, Global - Asset Tracing & Recovery (Law Firms) 2023

"I find Sandrine's calm demeanour incredibly reassuring. She is knowledgeable, and quick to learn when she doesn't know something. She is also not afraid to take a chance, which is really important in this field: it's important to think bravely and Sandrine isn't afraid to take up a challenge."
Chambers Litigation Support Guide, Global - Asset Tracing & Recovery (Law Firms) 2023

"Sandrine Giroud: Brilliant – I would use Sandrine for any difficult litigation in Switzerland. Responsive, creative, a pleasure to work with. Gives realistic advice and is creative in tricky circumstances."
Legal 500, Switzerland – Dispute Resolution: Litigation, 2023

"Sandrine Giroud and Dominik Elmiger have been extremely pleasant to work with and get the right result, despite meeting several procedural bumps on the road. Their legal advice has been very clear and easy to follow, and their availability for meetings have been very good."
Legal 500, Switzerland – Dispute Resolution: Litigation, 2023

"Sandrine Giroud: a master of negotiation on complex contracts. She was resilient, and able to conduct negotiations by herself up to closing and to follow up on small issues as well as on key issues."
Legal 500, Switzerland – Banking & Finance: Geneva, 2023

"Much appreciated collaboration with colleague Sandrine Giroud, a very experienced and knowledgeable colleague in art and cultural property matters. Very friendly and responsive to deal with."
Legal 500, Switzerland – Private Client, 2023

"Sandrine is dedicated to her client in complex international matters. She is always top of the art in advocacy."
Chambers Global, Switzerland – Litigation 2023

Sandrine Giroud is highly recommended in this practice, "Sandrine's skills, responsiveness, and counselling are just the best. She is one of the smartest people I know, very personable and always on top of the recent developments in the art market."

Chambers High Net Worth Guide, Switzerland – Art and Cultural Property Law 2022

According to sources Sandrine Giroud is "very reactive and provides excellent service." She represents clients in debt collection proceedings, with further activity on fraud and embezzlement cases.

Chambers Europe Guide, Switzerland - White Collar Crime 2022

A source praises her for being "highly organised and someone you want on your side."

Chambers Europe Guide, Switzerland – Litigation 2022

A market insider comments on Sandrine Giroud, "She has a perfect knowledge of both the laws and the practice which allows her to foresee the problems and their consequences and find, therefore, the best solutions."

Chambers Litigation Support Guide, Global - Asset Tracing & Recovery (Law Firms) 2022

Sandrine Giroud is a leading light within the Swiss market, with peers commending her specialist knowledge on estate planning.

Who's Who Legal, Private Client, 2022

Sandrine Giroud is "a fantastic choice" for asset recovery proceedings in Switzerland according to sources who note she "has a great handle of the law and is particularly wise in strategic planning."

Who's Who Legal, Thought Leaders Global Elite and GIR – Asset Recovery 2022

Sandrine Giroud possess a wealth of experience in the private client field and is especially noted as "very good at estate planning."

Who's Who Legal, National and Thought Leaders - Private Client 2022

WWL says, "Sandrine Giroud is a very creative and talented lawyer."

Who's Who Legal, Thought Leaders and National Leaders – Commercial Litigation 2022

"Sandrine is an excellent adviser", "She is very shrewd at assessing legal risks and is a fantastic tactician."

Who's Who Legal, Thought Leaders GIR – Investigations 2022

Sandrine Giroud is described as "brilliant, user-friendly, my go-to litigator for anything in the jurisdiction." and " Highly knowledgeable and has particular expertise in conflict of law issues and complex litigation more generally, as well as art law."

Legal 500, Switzerland - Dispute Resolution: Litigation 2022

"Sandrine Giroud has a perfect knowledge of both the laws and the practice as well as the jurisprudence (court cases and precedents) which allows her to foresee the problems and their consequences and find therefore the best solutions."

Legal 500, Switzerland - Regulatory, compliance and investigations 2022

Sandrine Giroud is described "as a stand-out star. She is thoughtful, insightful, and has a very thorough knowledge of the law."

Legal 500, Switzerland – Private Client 2022

Legal 500 writes, "We find the team we work with efficient and highly professional", also describing Sandrine Giroud as "stand-out".

Legal 500, Switzerland – Banking and Finance, 2022

Sandrine Giroud is listed as Rising Leader in advising the private client sector.
Private Client Global Directory 2022/23

Sandrine Giroud is a "very good lawyer who is becoming more visible," according to sources. She represents banks in debt collection proceedings, with further activity acting for corporate clients on fraud and embezzlement cases.

Chambers Europe, White Collar Crime – Switzerland, 2021 (Band 3)

"Sandrine Giroud – wonderfully bright while remaining focused, practical and responsive. A smart and diligent partner, she is equally effective in hands-on lawyering and strategic project management. Whilst Ms Giroud is always ready to vigorously defend her clients, she maintains a rational and balanced approach to cases, which makes her a credible and trustworthy attorney in the eyes of judges and prosecutors. Also, Ms Giroud has a large network of credible external service providers and foreign counsel."

Legal 500, Switzerland, Dispute Resolution: Litigation, 2021 (Next Generation Partner)

"The entire team is very efficient, would like to particularly mention [...] Sandrine Giroud for [her] high level of professionalism and excellent performance."

Legal 500, Switzerland, Banking and Finance, 2021

"Sandrine Giroud is an excellent operator. Tough, very smart and an excellent communicator and strategist. She is also highly responsive."

Legal 500, Switzerland, Private Client, 2021

Sandrine Giroud is "tireless and very energetic in the many projects she handles". She garners praise for her extensive experience navigating high-profile clients through complex business crime and banking disputes.

Who's Who Legal, Switzerland, Litigation, 2021

Sandrine Giroud is highly sought after by wealthy individuals, families and trusts for her first-rate asset protection advice.

Who's Who Legal, Switzerland, Private Client, 2021

Sandrine Giroud is highlighted for her "breadth of experience and skill which only very few lawyers possess" in the investigations field.

Who's Who Legal, Switzerland, Investigations, 2021

Lawyer of the Year Award

Who's Who Legal, Switzerland, Asset Recovery, Business Crime Defence & Investigations, 2021

The "excellent" Sandrine Giroud receives glowing praise from peers and clients who note that "she is an expert in this field."

Who's Who Legal, Asset Recovery, 2021 (Global Elite Thought Leader)

Sandrine Giroud is top-tier litigator applauded for her expert handling of domestic and international commercial disputes and fraud issues.

Who's Who Legal, Asset Recovery, 2020 (Global Elite Thought Leader)

"She is excellent. She is a good arbitrator and litigator," observes an interviewee. "She is great," says another art world source, who adds: "She is incredibly knowledgeable, especially about Swiss law and practice. She is a real advocate for the art market. She is not only very good, but she can bring together other people with technical expertise she doesn't have. She is very responsive and clearly knowledgeable. She's well connected with the art law space in Europe, and every recommendation she has given me has been superb."

Chambers High Net Worth, Art and Cultural Property Law, Switzerland, 2020

Top 35 Private Client Litigators – Europe
Citywealth, 2020

The "brilliant" Sandrine Giroud is a "foremost authority on matters involving art work" in the private client space.

Who's Who Legal, Private Client, 2020

Sandrine Giroud stands out as a "vastly knowledgeable figure".

Who's Who Legal, Asset Recovery, 2020

Sandrine Giroud ranks as one of the most prominent asset recovery specialists in the country.

Who's Who Legal, Switzerland, Leading Firms, 2020

"Sandrine Giroud's understanding of complex issues in diverse fields is astounding. She can switch from one case to another at lightning speed and has a very cool and calm character."

Legal 500, Switzerland, Dispute Resolution: Litigation, 2020

"Sandrine Giroud impresses with her absolute dedication."

Legal 500, Switzerland, Banking and Finance: Geneva, 2020

The "brilliant" Sandrine Giroud is a "foremost authority on matters involving art work" in the private client space.

Who's Who Legal, Private Client, 2020

"Sandrine Giroud is simply superb – responsive, reliable, fantastic with clients and other advisers – a real team player and a joy to work with."

Legal 500, Switzerland, Private Client, 2020

Sandrine Giroud stands out as a "vastly knowledgeable figure" who excels at advising international companies and individuals on cross-border recovery and insolvency proceedings.

Who's Who Legal, Asset Recovery, 2020

"Sandrine Giroud enters the rankings on the back of positive market feedback, with sources reporting that she is 'very responsive, practical and provides strong analysis.' She is particularly active on asset recovery proceedings arising from fraud cases. Giroud also represents defendants in money laundering litigation."

Chambers Europe, White Collar Crime – Switzerland, 2020 (Band 3)

Winner of the Asset Recovery Switzerland Client Choice Award

ILO Client Choice Awards, Asset Recovery Switzerland, 2020

Ranked as a leading figure in Litigation.

Who's Who Legal, Thought Leaders in Litigation, 2019

Sandrine Giroud "has an excellent reputation within the market" as "an expert in the field of asset recovery with expertise in both civil and criminal fraud". She is highlighted for her "thorough and diligent" approach.

Who's Who Legal, Asset Recovery, 2018

"Attentive, accurate and concise"

Legal 500, Switzerland, Dispute Resolution: Litigation, 2018

"Effective" litigator Sandrine Giroud is recommended.

Legal 500, Banking and Finance: Geneva, 2018

LALIVE

Recognized as an expert.

Who's Who Legal, Asset Recovery, 2017

Recognized as an expert.

Who's Who Legal, Switzerland, Litigation, 2017

Sandrine Giroud among the top practitioners in Switzerland.

Who's Who Legal, Switzerland, Private Client, 2017

Sandrine Giroud is an "outstanding" practitioner with a wealth of experience handling multi-jurisdictional litigation, with notable expertise in banking and trusts matters.

Who's Who Legal, Litigation, 2017

Sandrine Giroud highlighted as a next generation lawyer.

Legal 500, Switzerland, Dispute Resolution: Litigation, 2017

Selected among Top 100 Women in Investigations.

Global Investigations Review, 2015
