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Admission

Switzerland, 2008

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BIOGRAPHY

Nicolas Ollivier joined LALIVE in Geneva 2012 and in 2021 was promoted partner. He specialises in banking and finance litigation, an area where he has contributed to developing the firm's expertise and practice. He regularly advises and represents clients in complex cases involving margin calls, fund mismanagement, fraudulent transfer orders, bank bankruptcy, freezing of accounts, financial frauds, FinTech, tokenisation as well as in administrative and enforcement proceedings before the Swiss Financial Market Supervisory Authority, and other high value, cross border commercial litigation matters.

He is a member of the International Bar Association, the Association Genevoise du Droit des Affaires, the Geneva Bar Association and the Swiss Federation of Lawyers. Nicolas was appointed in 2020 as a member of the governing body of FINSOM, the very first non-profit ombudsman organisation pursuing public interest purposes, approved by the Swiss federal government in accordance with the Swiss Financial Services Act.

Before joining LALIVE, Nicolas Ollivier worked as an associate with FBT Avocats SA, in Geneva, in the banking group (2011-2012). He previously trained with Boivin & Nussbaumer in Fribourg (2005-2007).

Nicolas Ollivier graduated from the University of Fribourg with a Master of Law, majoring European Law (2004) and holds an LL.M from the University of Durham (with Distinction) (2010).

PUBLICATIONS

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Speaker: Droit d'accès aux données : état des lieux

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: Retrocessions: Where Do We Stand?

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Lecturer

University of Geneva
CAS Digital Finance Law
2020

Coach – examiner

Fribourg University School of Law (Switzerland)
Banking and Finance Law Seminar
2016 –
