

IKRÉNYI & REHÁK, s. r. o.

The law firm IKRÉNYI & REHÁK, s.r.o. has been active in providing legal services, on the Slovak market since 2008. Attorneys working at the law firm are experienced and knowledgeable in transactions within the local environment, as well as with international elements. The firm focuses primarily on insolvency, transactions, IT and intellectual property, disputes, competition and commercial law.

INSOLVENCY

IKRÉNYI & REHÁK has accrued extensive know-how in corporate bankruptcy and restructuring. In the area of insolvency law, the office collaborates with several leading banks. The law firm is currently administrating insolvency proceedings totalling nearly €240 million. Last year the office provided comprehensive insolvency and restructuring advice to a company pursuing business in manufacturing casts intended for freight railcar carriages and employing more than 400 employees; comprehensive advice during informal restructuring of a group of companies forming one of the largest recruitment agencies active in the Slovak market; comprehensive insolvency and restructuring advice to a brewery; and comprehensive insolvency and restructuring advice to a company producing self-adhesive labels.

The law office has also provided insolvency advice to a leading firm in the heating industry in Bratislava region, which was facing bankruptcy. Last year the law office also covered the acquisition of a special engineering business, in bankruptcy, for a holding company encompassing businesses in defence and civil industries in the Czech and Slovak republics.

Through its subsidiary, I & R KONKURZY A REŠTRUKTURALIZÁCIE, k.s. facilitates the function of bankruptcy and restructuring trustees, having offices in the Bratislava, Trenčín, Trnava, Žilina, Prešov and the Košice region. At present, this trustee office is currently handling approximately 60 bankruptcy and restructuring proceedings.

COMPETITION

In 2015, the law firm recorded notable successes, particularly in competition law. In this area it was the first law office to fully win proceedings held before the Slovak Supreme Court regarding protection against unlawful interference from the Antimonopoly Office of the Slovak Republic, both on the client's behalf, in the case of whom the inspection was carried out unlawfully, as well as on the behalf of its employee.

While representing our client before the Slovak Constitutional Court, the attorneys succeeded in breaking the contradictory and ambiguous practice of the Slovak Supreme Court regarding the conditions of procedural admissibility of legal action for protection against unlawful interference from the Antimonopoly Office of the Slovak Republic, due to its conflict with the right of access to the courts. In 2015, the law firm provided legal advice in competition to several leading IT companies suspected of cartel agreements, a company pursuing business in the automotive industry and other businesses, in issues relating to market concentrations.

The firm also provides professional training in competition law, by organising training sessions and drawing up internal procedures and regulations for its clients. It is also involved in an educational project for the administration of justice in the field of competition law, as a partner in a project promoted by the European Union and the Ministry of Justice of the Slovak Republic (www.arep.sk).

IT AND INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

In IT law, the law firm offers comprehensive legal advice to a number of companies ranking among the largest Slovak IT solution and service providers. These include, among others, one of the largest software houses in Slovakia; a software solution provider developing applications supporting card transactions, payment terminal management systems, loyalty systems and systems verifying and directing payments via EFT POS terminals; the leading company providing comprehensive solutions in IT infrastructure, information security, IT service and software development management; or the company of the largest Slovak supplier of corporate information systems. Concurrently our office also offers advice to various IT start-ups, in both the initial and later phases.

In intellectual property law, the office provides legal services to a number of print media publishing businesses and radio broadcasting operators.

M&A

In M&A transactions our law firm in 2015 oversaw several major transactions, including a comprehensive multinational sale of large sets of rail freight car carriages during their operation in a volume of approximately €85 million, as well as the acquisition of several other businesses, or parts of them, totalling approximately €15 million.

DISPUTES

IKRÉNYI & REHÁK is overseeing several hundred disputes from various fields of law, in particular: civil, commercial, insolvency and tax law. We are currently providing legal support in the out-of-court recovery of several thousands of other claims.

CORPORATE LAW

The law firm offers comprehensive legal services relating to businesses' corporate agenda, ranging from company founding, legal services concerning their activity, internal processes and changes, including securities law, through to their liquidation. Our regular clients include several leading IT companies as well as start-ups, medium-sized and large developers and investment companies, businesses operating in freight transport and engineering, a holding of importers and sellers of passenger vehicles of various brands, as well as companies pursuing business in energy, waste management and the environment. Our corporate as well as other clients can also avail themselves of our comprehensive support offered in employment law.



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