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IKRÉNYI & REHÁK, s.r.o.

Our law firm IKRÉNYI & REHÁK, s.r.o. has been providing legal services on the Slovak market since 2008 and consists of a team of approximately 20 people. The lawyers working in the law firm have experience in transactions in domestic environment as well as with international element. The firm focuses mainly on insolvency, IT and intellectual property law, litigation, public procurement, corporate, business and employment law, as well as other specific areas according to the needs of the clients.

INSOLVENCY

IKRÉNYI & REHÁK, s.r.o. has extensive experience in dealing with cases of insolvency and the restructuring of business companies, working together with a number of leading banks in the field of insolvency law. The law firm currently (directly or through its subsidiary administration company I & R KONKURZY A RESTRUKURALIZÁCIE, k.s.) administers insolvency proceedings with a total volume exceeding EUR 1 billion and provides legal advice in insolvency proceedings with a further volume of several hundred million euros.

Among the largest projects in which the law firm provided insolvency advice last year (directly or through a subsidiary management company) was the bankruptcy of the assets of an operator of pig farms with a capacity of several tens of thousands of pigs per year, bankruptcy of the assets of a bankruptcy estate engaged in complex construction activities, including the extraction and sorting of gravel, the production of concrete, the production of plastic windows and euro windows, the production of furniture, or of a bankruptcy estate engaged in the catering, tourism and hotel business in the well-known 'Kursalon' building in Trenčianske Teplice.

Last year, the firm also provided insolvency advisory services in one of the largest bankruptcy cases filed in Slovakia, which has been ongoing for 20 years, to a Czech investment fund manager, a group of personnel

agencies in bankruptcy and pre-bankruptcy assessments, and represented other Slovak and foreign creditors in bankruptcy and restructuring proceedings as well as the bankruptcy and restructuring trustees themselves, not only in Slovakia, but also in the Czech Republic and Romania.

The subsidiary I & R KONKURZY A REŠTRUKURALIZÁCIE, k.s., which according to Finstat's analysis is the largest administration company for 2022, performs the function of bankruptcy and restructuring administrators for the entire territory of the Slovak Republic. The administration office currently administers approximately 80 insolvency and restructuring proceedings.

IT AND INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Our office focuses on representing a wide range of companies in the field of information technology, including start-up companies, manufacturers of high-tech devices and chips, providers of services related to the use of unmanned drones, operators of banking systems, guard card systems, support for mobile operators, as well as providers of complex IT infrastructure solutions, one of the largest software houses in Slovakia, and companies with the highest market share in the ERP solutions for planning and management of business processes. The total volume of transactions in the IT sector was approximately EUR 100 million in 2022.

In the field of intellectual property, the law firm provides legal services mainly to several print media publishers, operators of inter- net portals and radio broadcasters. We represent clients in copyright proceedings, proceedings for the protection of personality rights as well as in industrial law proceedings, including proceedings before the Industrial Property Office.

LITIGATION

IKRÉNYI & REHÁK has handled several hundred disputes, in several cases worth tens of millions of euros,

in various areas, in particular civil law, personality protection, unfair competition, commercial, insolvency, banking and tax law, as well as in the area of damages for breach of European law. We represent clients in proceedings of strategic importance, for example, in the field of copyright or energy. We also provide legal support in the out-of-court recovery of several thousand claims in the field of insurance and various services. The firm also represents clients in administrative and constitutional court proceedings. The firm also handles analyses and opinions on threatened or ongoing litigation, or the drafting or review of procedural defenses. In 2022, we represented clients in disputes valued at approximately €250 million.

PUBLIC PROCUREMENT

The law firm was particularly active in public procurement law in 2022. We provided legal advice to a higher territorial unit in identifying procurement options and securing the method of implementation of bus transport, and successfully represented a major foreign company as a twice successful bidder in individual proceedings in public procurement review procedures (proceedings on requests for redress, proceedings on objections to conditions in tender documents and against exclusion before the Public Procurement Office and appeal proceedings before the Council of the Public Procurement Office) conducted in connection with three successively announced public tenders. We also represented a higher territorial unit in proceedings for review of the legality of the decision of the Chairman of the Public Procurement Office and other clients in various proceedings in the exercise of their rights under the Public Procurement Act, in total amounting to approximately EUR 420 million.

CORPORATE AND EMPLOYMENT LAW

The law firm provides comprehensive legal services related to the corporate agenda of commercial companies, from the establishment of companies, legal services in their operations, internal processes and changes, shareholder relations, including securities law, to their liquidation. It also provides services as an authorised person for the register of public sector partners.

Our regular clients include a number of leading and start-up IT companies, medium and large property development and investment companies, companies operating in the transport and engineering sectors, as well as companies in the energy, waste management and environmental sectors.

Particularly for corporate clients, the law firm provides a wide range of support in various areas of employment law, including the preparation of internal regulations, procedures, employment law documentation or in connection with the posting and hiring of employees, including representation of clients before foreign authorities. The extensive employment law agenda is also connected with numerous insolvency proceedings. Our law firm represents corporate as well as individual clients in employment disputes.

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