

Major commercial law firms

The data included is based on firm's responses to questionnaires and data from the public domain. Law firms are listed alphabetically. (WND = would not disclose).

Firm name/ Contacts Senior representative No of lawyers/ Partners Romanian/ Foreign	Main areas of practice	Representative clients	Representative projects 2005/2006
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<p>BOSTINA SI ASOCIATII 12 Silvestru Str Sector 2, Bucharest Tel. +40 21 211 48 00 Fax. +40 21 211 47 23 www.scpabostina.ro office@scpabostina.ro</p> <p>Doru Bostina</p> <p>62/ 7</p>	<p>Transport and Utilities, Litigation, Energy, Privatisation, Capital Market</p>	<p>WND</p>	<p>WND</p>

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<p>D&B DAVID SI BAIAS Opera Center I 1-5 Costache Negri Street, 6th floor; Bucharest 5 Tel. +40 21 202 87 70 Fax. +40 21 202 87 71 www.pwc.com/ro office@david-baias.ro</p> <p>Sorin David</p> <p>24/2</p> <p>All Romanian</p>	<p>Corporate and Commercial Banking Employment Competition Real Estate</p>	<p>ABN Amro Bank (Romania) Altex Avrig 35 Genpact Romania Delamode Romania Mivan Limited Petrom Reader's Digest BRD - GSG Schering Plough Central East AG – Bucharest Office</p>	<p>Local Counsel in Oradea in respect to the contracting of a 1,200 billion RON financing from Banca Comerciala Romana SA Delamode and Helios (UK) in respect to the structuring and negotiation of the legal documents regarding the acquisition of real estates and the financing of Mercury Logistic Park construction in Bolintin Deal Altex: the negotiation regarding the partnership with Raiffeisen Bank to the end of establishing a consumer credit company (Credex) Mivan Group (UK) in respect to the development of real estate investments in Romania Unitessile (Italy) in respect of the acquisition of Teba Group (specialised in the textile industry)</p>
<p>GIDE LOYRETTE NOUEL LEROY & ASOCIATI 10-12 Strada Maior Sontu Sector 1 - Bucharest Tel. +40 21 223 03 10 Fax. +40 21 223 03 42 www.gide.com gln.bucharest@gide.com</p> <p>Bruno Leroy</p> <p>21/1</p> <p>17 Romanian, 4 Foreign</p>	<p>Corporate Law Mergers & Acquisitions Privatisations Real Estate Law Distribution and Competition Law Finance / Project Financing</p>	<p>Air Liquide BRD - GSG Carrefour E. ON. Ruhrgas Iberdrola Michelin Renault/Dacia Sodexo Saint-Gobain Volvo</p>	<p>French banking group - acquisition of a majority stake hold in a consumer credit company French company - acquisition of a Romanian company specialised in the distribution of ocular glasses and optical instruments Leading Romanian company in the sector of meal vouchers issuance - acquisition of one of its competitors; Iberdrola - privatisation process of Electrica Muntenia Sud. Major French banking group - the privatisation process of BCR E.ON Ruhrgas AG – acquisition of 51% of the share capital of Distrigaz Nord Carrefour - acquisition of several plots of land; Romanian subsidiary of a large international group acting in the agro business field, for the harmonisation in accordance with Romanian competition law of the distribution agreements concluded with the retailers and the wholesalers Major truck manufacturer - setting up of the standard distribution of spare parts and customer services Important automobile group for the harmonisation of the agreements for automobiles and spare parts distribution in Romania Romanian bank in respect of a 15 million EURO project finance related to the construction of a commercial centre BRD - GSG, which acted as Arranger, Facility Agent and Security Agent in relation to the Euro 20 million syndicated credit facility granted to Bricostore Carrefour - 100 million EURO syndicated credit facility agreement; BRD - GSG structured trade finance department - 65 millions USD letter of credit facility granted to Rompetrol.</p>
<p>GRUIA DUFAUT LAW OFFICE Bd. Hristo Botev nr. 28, sector 3, Bucuresti, bucarest@dgd-conseil.com</p> <p>Dana Gruia Dufaut</p> <p>14/2</p> <p>13 Romanian, 1 Foreign</p>	<p>Corporate, Labor, Real Estate, Merger & Acquisition, Competition</p>	<p>Total Arc International Colas Bouygues FM Logistic Lagardere Legrand Limagrain Roquette Saint Gobain</p>	<p>Merger & Acquisition: Total Lubrifen Colas Real Estate: Acquisition land FM Logistic French Embassy – French High School Competition: Economic concentration Socotub – Gaz de France - Politub</p>

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<p>LINKLATERS, MICULITI, MIHAI & ASOCIATII 8 Nicolae Iorga Street, 010434, Bucharest www.linklaters.com bucharest.reception@linklaters.com Tel. +40 21 307 15 00 Fax. +40 21 307 15 55</p> <p>Michael Tétreault Schilling</p> <p>34/ 2</p> <p>27 Romanian, 7 Foreign</p>	<p>Banking & Finance Corporate Capital Markets Energy & Natural Resources EU & Competition Intellectual Property Litigation & Arbitration Real Estate Tax Technology, Media & Telecommunications</p>	<p>Governments Financial Institutions International & Domestic Corporates Real Estate developers Regional private equity funds</p>	<p>CSFB / the Government of Romania - MEC on the privatisation of S.N.P. Petrom CSFB / the Government of Romania - MEC on the privatisation of Distrigaz Nord and Distrigaz Sud Vodafone on the acquisition of MobiFon Romania and Oskar Mobil the Czech Republic ČEZ on the acquisition via privatisation of Electrica Oltenia ING Securities Romania and Raiffeisen Capital & Investment as Lead Managers on the first international standards initial public offering of shares in a Romanian privately owned company OTP Bank, in relation to the acquisition of RoBank The Government of Bulgaria on the privatisation of three of Bulgaria's leading electricity generation companies A consortium of seven regional private equity funds on the leveraged 1.1 billion EURO acquisition of Bulgaria's leading GSM operator (in terms of market share and revenue generation), MobilTel EAD - heralded as the largest LBO transaction in Eastern Europe to date</p>
<p>NESTOR NESTOR DICULESCU KINGSTON PETERSEN 1A, Bucuresti-Ploiesti National Road, Bucharest Business Park, Entrance A, 4th Floor, 1st District, Bucharest www.nndkp.com office@nndkp.ro Tel. +40 21 201 12 00 Fax. +40 21 201 12 10</p> <p>Ion Nestor, Manuela Nestor, Ana Diculescu-Sova, Adriana Gaspar, Andrew Kingston, Patricia Petersen</p> <p>63/ 9</p> <p>61 Romanian, 2 Foreign</p>	<p>Corporate Law, Mergers & Acquisitions Privatisation, Securities and Capital Markets Competition Real Estate Intellectual Property Dispute Resolution involving industries such as Banking and Finance, Energy, Consumer Products, Telecom, Media & IT, Pharmaceuticals & Health Care and Insurance</p>	<p>Local, regional and international businesses and financial institutions, state-owned entities, government agencies and ministries.</p>	<p>NNDKP Draft Legislation Enacted Law no. 31/2006 regarding securitization of receivables, Law no. 32/2006 regarding mortgage bonds and Law no. 33/2006 regarding mortgage Banca Comerciala Romana Privatisation As a member of a consortium led by Daiwa Securities SMBC Europe Limited, we provide legal assistance to government privatisation authorities in connection with the sale of a majority interest BCR to Erste Bank Gaz de France / Distrigaz Sud Acquisition We advised France's leading natural gas supplier in connection with its successful participation in an international tender for the acquisition of one of the two Romanian gas distribution operators Electricity Distribution Privatisations - assisted with the sale of the Moldova and Oltenia, Dobrogea and Banat regional electricity distribution companies Nabucco International Gas Pipeline Project On behalf of Nabucco Company Pipeline Study and Transgaz providing legal assistance in connection with a five-nation project to construct and operate a natural gas pipeline linking production areas in the Caspian Sea and Middle East regions to Central and Western Europe</p>
<p>NÖRR STIEFENHOFER LUTZ Str. General Constantin Budisteanu Nr. 28 C, Sector 1, Bucharest Tel. +40 21 312 58 88 Fax: +40 21 312 58 89 www.noerr.com</p> <p>Dr. Jörg K. Menzer/Andreea S. Poenaru</p> <p>21/ 3</p> <p>19 Romanian, 2 Foreign</p>	<p>Corporate/M&A Real Estate Banking & Financing Labour IT & Telecommunication</p>	<p>Kaufland BauMax Egger INA Schaeffler Bombardier UPS HVB Leasing Kromberg & Schubert Continental Automotive Daewoo Mangalia</p>	<p>Investment of Egger in Suceava Major Green-Field Investments in the automotive sector (setting up of major new plants in Blaj, Timisoara, Arad, Medias, Brasov) Major Investments in the retail sector; Kaufland/BauMax (advising one of the largest international investor in the field of shopping malls, advising major companies in their expansion in Romania) Major Investments in various fields of production Structuring of major banking and leasing transactions Advising one of the largest investors with over 10,000 employees in Romania in all of its legal questions, especially in labour law</p>

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<p>SALANS Gen. C. Budisteanu 28-C Bucharest Tel: +40 21 312 4950 Fax: +40 21 312 4951 bucharest@salans.com www.salans.com</p> <p>Obie L. Moore</p> <p>23/ 2</p> <p>21 Romanian, 2 Foreign</p>	<p>M&A, Competition and Antitrust, Banking & Finance, Tax, Real Estate</p>	<p>Heitman Prologis Telesystem International Wireless (TIW) Global Finance SEAF Trans-Balkan Romania Fund and Artima Wrigley Alstom Gillette Aviva Raiffeisen Bank</p>	<p>Bank Austria Creditanstalt and HVB Bank Romania Rompotrol Procter & Gamble Union Fenosa Baneasa Investment Prologis</p>
<p>SCHOENHERR SI ASOCIATII 8 Piata Romana, Bucharest. Tel. +40 21 319 67 90 Fax. +40 21 319 67 91 www.schoenherr.ro office@schoenherr.ro</p> <p>Markus Piuk</p> <p>26/ 4</p> <p>24 Romanian, 2 Foreign</p>	<p>Mergers & Acquisitions Banking & Finance Real Estate Competition Litigation & Arbitration</p>	<p>Artima BCR Brau Daimler Chrysler EBRD EPA Lekkerland OMV/ Petrom SW Umwelttechnik Uniq</p>	<p>Mergers & Acquisitions: Euromedia Beta Cons Lekkerland OMV/ Petrom Restructuring Banking & Finance BCR Eurobond Real Estate/ Banking & Finance City Mall</p>
<p>SOVA & PARTNERS 19 Louis Blank Street, Sector 1, Bucharest Tel. +40 31 100 11 26 Fax. +40 31 100 11 29 www.sova-avocati.ro office@sova-avocati.ro</p> <p>Dan Sovă</p> <p>35/ 2</p> <p>34 Romanian, 1 Foreign</p>	<p>Tax, Banking and Finance, M&A, Competition, Real Estate, Litigation and Arbitration, Privatisation, Energy and natural Resources, Insolvency/corporate restructuring</p>	<p>Cet Govora, Romfilatelia, MFA Mizil, Olchim, Oil Terminal, BRD – GSG Vitol, Graffiti BBDO, Flamingo Computers.</p>	<p>Advised on the take over of Uzinele Sodice Govora by CET GOVORA Advised on the take over of Amerom Television (Prima TV) and Kiss FM by the Swedish holding SBS The privatisation of ROMFILATELIA: the transfer of the company to the private sector under the direct supervision of the state, by the Board of Shareholders The liquidation of SC Baneasa - BANEASA RESIDENTIAL PARK Drafting and concluding the ANRC project ruled with European funds of establishing the main principles in the field of communication prudential regulations Wind power station Port-Constanta, concluded in a public procurement procedure; assisted and represented the National Sea Port Authority of Constanta in a public-private partnership project called the Eolian Power Station of Constanta Port that pursued the creation of an eolian power station</p>
<p>STOICA & ASOCIATII Opera Centre 2, Dr. Staicovici, 2, 2nd floor, Bucharest Tel. +40 21 402 09 30 Fax. +40 21 402 09 31 www.stoica-asociatii.ro sca@stoica-asociatii.ro</p> <p>Valeriu Stoica Cristiana I. Stoica</p> <p>22/ 6</p> <p>All Romanian</p>	<p>Corporate and Commercial Banking, Financial and Capital Markets Real Estate Intellectual Property Public Procurement</p>	<p>Alro Affichage Holdings ABN Amro Bank (Romania) BRD - GSG Daimler Chrysler ING Bank Mittal Steel Murfatlar Romania Can-Pack Whirlpool</p>	<p>Affichage Holdings - takeover on outdoor market EXIMBANK USA - financing of Telemobil Sector 6 City Hall - financing</p>

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<p>ZAMFIRESCU RACOȚI PREDOIU 38, Jean Louis Calderon Street, Bucharest, sector 2 Tel. +40 21 311 05 17 Fax. +40 21 311 05 19 www.zrp.ro office@zrp.ro</p> <p>Calin Andrei Zamfirescu</p> <p>30/ 4</p> <p>All Romanian</p>	<p>Mergers and Acquisitions Commercial Litigations and Arbitration Banking and Financing Real Estate and Property Energy Natural Resources</p>	<p>BRD – GSG Unicredit Raiffeisen Bancpost Transport Trade Services (Navrom) Alro Saint Gobain Carmeuse Fokus Invest Willbrook</p>	<p>Due diligence for privatisation of Banca Comerciala Romana International financing Navrom International financing Alro Acquisition of Alum Tulcea Litigation Petrom (client) vs Conpet Litigation TRG (client) vs Faber Litigation Petrom (client) vs natural person Litigation GlaxoSmithKline (client) vs Colgate Palmolive Litigation BRD (client) vs BCR Litigation BRD Sogelease (client) vs Gabriel Invest</p>