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AREAS OF EXPERTISE

- > Arbitration / Litigation
- > Distribution / Agency
- > Commercial Contracts
- > Sports law

INDUSTRY SECTORS

- > Construction & Engineering
- > Pharmaceutical & Biotech
- > Sports

PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE

Sophie Bühler is a Swiss qualified attorney-at-law specializing in international and domestic arbitration and related litigation proceedings.

Prior to joining Peter & Kim she has gained experience working for the dispute resolution practice of a leading Swiss law firm in Zurich and as an ad-hoc clerk for the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS). She has been involved as co-counsel and administrative secretary in international and domestic arbitration proceedings under various rules (ICC, DIS and CAS) and in ad-hoc proceedings.

She has gained professional experience in disputes arising from construction contracts, distribution contracts and employment contracts in the sports industry. In the latter, she was also involved in cases related to associative matters and anti-doping proceedings.

Before being admitted to the bar, she worked as an academic assistant at the University of Zurich, as a judicial law clerk and completed internships in major law firms in Zurich and London.

CAREER

- > Associate, Peter & Kim, Zurich (2024-)
- > Associate, Bär & Karrer, Zurich (2021-2024)
- > Academic Assistant to Prof. Dr. Ulrich Haas, Department of Civil Procedure and Private Law, Zurich (2017-2021)
- > Judicial Law Clerk, Supreme Court of the Canton of Aargau (2016)
- > Legal Intern, WilmerHale, London (2015-2016)
- > Junior Associate, CMS von Erlach Poncet, Zurich (2014-2015)

EDUCATION

- > LL.M. in Arbitration and Alternative Dispute Resolution, University of Hong Kong (2014)
- > MLaw, University of Zurich (2014)
- > BLaw, University of Bern (2012)

OTHER ACTIVITIES & PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- > Swiss Arbitration Association (ASA) below 40
- > ArbitralWomen
- > Swiss Very Young Arbitration Practitioners (Swiss VYAP)
- > HK45
- > Swiss Bar Association (SAV) / Zurich Bar Association (ZAV)
- > Fem'Up

REPRESENTATIVE CASES

- > Co-counsel for two global players in the pharmaceutical business in an ICC arbitration against a Saudi company related to claims arising out of a distribution agreement

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REPRESENTATIVE CASES (continued)

- > Administrative Secretary to the Tribunal in an ICC Arbitration in a dispute arising out of three agreements concluded by the Parties in connection with the construction of facilities in Iran
- > Administrative Secretary to the Tribunal in an ICC Arbitration in a dispute arising out of a settlement agreement
- > Ad-hoc Law Clerk in a CAS Arbitration on the appeal against a decision of the FIFA Player's Status Committee in relation to compensation claims by football coaches

PUBLICATIONS

- > "Radsport", in: Anne Mirjam Schneuwly/Yael Nadja Strub/Mirjam Koller Trunz (Hrsg.), Sportverbandskommentar, <https://sportverbandskommentar.ch/radsport>, 1. Aufl.
- > "Der "verkappte" Arrest" together with David Trachsel (Bühler/Trachsel, in: Sunaric/Catelli (Hrsg.), Vorsorgliche Massnahmen – Fallstricke in der Praxis, 2023, p. 83 et seqq.).
- > "Ausgewählte Stolpersteine bei der Schiedsbeschwerde" together with Nadja Jaisli Kull (Bühler/Jaisli Kull, in: Sunaric/Catelli (Hrsg.), Rechtsmittelverfahren – Tücken und Stolpersteine in der Praxis, 2022, p. 79 et seqq.).
- > "Substanziierung im Zivilprozess" together with Prof. Ulrich Haas (Haas/Bühler, in: ZZPInt 22 (2017)).

LECTURES AND SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- > Moderator: "Swiss VYAP Interview Series - Pharma Arbitration", 10 January 2024, Swiss VYAP-Event, online
- > Moderator: "My first arbitrator appointment – nothing to worry about (?)" ; 22 May 2024, DIS40-Event, Zurich
- > Lecturer: "Sports Arbitration in Switzerland", ELSA Summer Law School, Geneva

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