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Anna Rossides is a Partner practicing in the Corporate and Commercial Department of the firm, regularly advising on corporate and commercial transactions involving Cyprus vehicles, especially acquisitions, joint ventures, corporate restructurings, secured project financing and securitization.

Anna has considerable experience in multi-million IPO and SPO transactions on regulated and unregulated markets (such as AIM) and foreign stock exchanges (including the LSE, Toronto SE, Frankfurt SE and Moscow SE) and in listings of loan notes and GDRs on such markets.

She is also recognised for her strong expertise in the area of Competition law; frequently assisting prestigious clients in diverse industries on challenging competition and antitrust matters and representing corporate clients before the Cyprus Commission for the Protection of Competition.

She has over the years repeatedly been listed, highly recommended and singled out as a Leading Lawyer in her areas of practice in several international legal directories, including, Legal 500 EMEA, IFLR1000, Chambers Europe, Who's Who Legal: Banking, the International Who's Who of Competition Lawyers & Economists, the International Who's Who of Business Lawyers and Global Competition Review.

Capital Markets

Anna has extensive experience in all types of public offerings (including initial, secondary and dual public offerings on regulated and unregulated markets and foreign stock exchanges, both within and outside the EU) as well as private placements, whose value extends from several tens of million to billions of USD/EURO. She also repeatedly undertakes complex multi-million transactions involving the issuance of new (and/ or tender offer of outstanding) loan notes and GDRs, to international investors and their listing on various markets. In the context of such transactions, she reviews and drafts certain sections of the Prospectus(es), Offering Memoranda, tender offer documentation, consent solicitation memoranda, solicitation agency agreements, underwriting agreement or other such documents, advises and opines on all related transaction documents and issues legal opinions for the underwriters, stock exchange and other interested

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parties.

The portfolio of clients involved in such transactions are primarily active in mining and metals, agriculture, transportation, pharmaceutical and healthcare industries and include European Copper producer ‘Atalaya Mining Plc’ , Russian airport Infrastructure Operator ‘East Line group’ and global pharmaceutical company ‘Endo International Plc’ . Most recently, she led a transaction concerning an initial public offering of up to 40,000,000 GDRs by six selling shareholders of leading healthcare services provider ‘United Medical Group CY PLC’ and their subsequent listing and trading on the Moscow Stock Exchange (MOEX).

She is frequently singled out as one of the Leading Lawyers in IFLR1000 for the Capital Markets practice area.

Corporate & Commercial Law

Anna advises on the entire spectrum of services from incorporation, annual operation, restructures and dissolutions of Cyprus companies. She has gained extensive experience over the last 19 years in corporate and commercial transactions involving Cyprus vehicles, especially acquisitions, joint ventures, corporate restructurings, secured project financing and securitization. In this context, she will often issue legal opinions and conduct legal due diligence exercises on Cyprus companies and has in fact done so for clients such as Deutsche Telekom AG. She has also gained substantial experience in drafting subscription agreements, option deeds, joint venture and shareholders agreements, as well as other transaction relevant commercial agreements and corporate documents.

Examples of some of the most significant and high-profile transactions she has worked on, include the acquisition of Remedica Holdings, the leading pharmaceutical company in Cyprus and the concession of the container terminal in the Limassol port. More recently, she led the transaction involving the corporate restructuring of Astrobank and also a cross- border restructuring and financing transaction involving global pharmaceutical company ‘Endo International Plc’ .

She has been repeatedly listed as a leading lawyer in international legal directories for her Corporate law work.

Banking & Secured Financing

Anna has over the past 19 years gained extensive experience in complex and time-critical international multi- million financing or refinancing transactions, including project financing, syndicated, subordinated and mezzanine financing. In this context she has advised local and international banks such as EBRD and _____

ING Bank N.V., as well as syndicates of banks and has drafted and/or reviewed loan and facility agreements, including syndicated ones, fixed and floating charges, mortgages, corporate and personal guarantees, share pledge agreements and other security documents. She has completed several USD multi-million financing and re-financing transactions for Russian airport Infrastructure Operator 'East Line group', the most recent of which was completed earlier this year, all of which required the provision of legal advice on corporate, financing, regulatory and tax matters, the review of a matrix of transaction documents (to include consent solicitation memoranda, solicitation agency agreements, Deeds of Amendment to the original loan agreements, Deed of Acknowledgement etc.) and the issuance of several legal opinions. She also led, earlier this year, a cross-border financing transaction involving global pharmaceutical company 'Endo International Plc'; specifically providing Cyprus legal advice for its notes offering, tender offers of outstanding notes and also for the simultaneous amendment of an existing US law governed credit facility.

She has been repeatedly listed as a leading lawyer in international legal directories for her work in this practice area, including in IFLR1000 and Who's Who Legal: Banking.

Competition Law

Anna regularly advises institutions from several industries on a wide range of challenging competition law issues, primarily for the purpose of ensuring that any proposed agreements or concentrations will not be deemed anti-competitive by the Commission for the Protection of Competition Law in Cyprus. She has guided clients such as Daimler AG, Aer Rianta International (Middle East) WLL, CMA CGM and OJSC Kamaz, through important transactions, including the facilitation of significant mergers and acquisitions, by successfully obtaining clearance from the Commission.

Noteworthy cases Anna has previously been involved in, include advising BLC Bank sal (Lebanon) on competition law issues regarding the multi-million Euro purchase of shares in a bank operating in Cyprus (USB Bank Plc), advising Yildirim Holding AS and CMA CGM S.A. in relation to the USD 500 million acquisition of 20% of CMA CGM S.A. equity capital by Yildirim Holding AS. More recent noteworthy cases in which her competition law expertise was required include the multi-million Euro joint acquisitions of FSIA Investimenti S.r.l by FSI Investimenti S.p.A and Poste Italiane S.p.A and of a majority shareholding in leading German esports organisation, SK Gaming by Daimler AG and German football club FC Köln. Over the last year, she led the competition team of our Firm, who were appointed to act as legal counsel to network security and intelligence vendor, WatchGuard Technologies to assist them in the acquisition of Panda Security, a global provider of endpoint protection and to European Crop Products 2 S.À.R.L., the ultimate owner of Rovensa S.A., in relation to the acquisition of leading provider of environmentally friendly biocontrol solutions, Oro Agri.

Anna is repeatedly listed and highly recommended in several international legal directories for her work in this area of practice, including in IFLR1000 and in the International Who's Who of Competition Lawyers & Economists, as one of the world's leading lawyers in this practice area.

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