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Areas & Industries

Arbitration, Litigation , Media & Entertainment , Sports

Professional Experience

Francisco Cortez joined the firm in 2006 and became a partner in 2007. He co-coordinates the litigation and arbitration department as well as the sport and entertainment team.

Francisco is one of the firm's most experienced lawyers in the litigation area, specialising in civil, corporate and commercial litigation. He has been responsible for several highly complex cases, both in judicial courts and arbitration.

As a lawyer and as an arbitrator he has participated in more than three dozen arbitrations in Portugal, since 2000.

From 1998 to 2005 he practised law at Osório de Castro, Verde Pinho, Vieira Peres, Lobo Xavier e Associados – Sociedade de Advogados where he was a partner. He was also an associate in the law firm Pena, Machete & Associados – Sociedade de Advogados from 1991 to 1998.

Awards

Dispute Resolution Lawyer of the Year (Benchmark Litigation European Awards), 2019 and 2020. Best Lawyer in Litigation (Client Choice Awards), 2014 and 2015.

Education

Law Degree (Católica Lisbon School of Law, 1989). LL.M. in Commercial Law (Católica Lisbon School of Law, 1992).

Memberships

Portuguese Bar Association (admitted in 1991). Portuguese Association of Arbitration (since 2006). Member of *Círculo de Advogados de Contencioso*. Member of Concórdia - Center for Conciliation and Mediation of Disputes.

Languages

Portuguese, English and Spanish.