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Practice areas Employment, Healthcare & Life Science, Data Protection and Dispute Resolution

Areas of specialisation Assist clients in pharmaceutical, employment and data protection matters (contract review, regulatory issues and authorisations, etc.); Represent multinational companies in employment and pharmaceutical disputes before civil, criminal and administrative courts; Enforce and defend against claims; Acknowledge and enforce all foreign judgments in Switzerland; Secure claims, take preliminary measures (seize property, obtain bans, etc.), gather preliminary evidence.

Languages French, English, German

Education

- Certified Information Privacy Professional/Europe (CIPP/E), International Association of Privacy Professionals (IAPP) (**September 2018**)
- Master of Advanced Studies in Health Law, University of Neuchâtel's Health Law Institute (**ongoing**)
 - Module CAS in Pharmaceutical and Biotechnological Law (**passed in June 2017**)
 - Module CAS Patient Rights and Public Health (**passed in February 2018**)
 - Module CAS Social Insurance, Employment and Health Law (**passed in January 2019**)
- Admitted to the Geneva Bar (**in 2012**)
- Certificate of advanced studies in legal professions, University of Geneva (**2011**)
- LL.M. at McGill University (Canada) (**2009 – 2010**)
- Master in International and European laws (Bilingual and Magna cum laude Mentions) at University of Fribourg and University of Vienna (**2007 – 2009**)
- Law studies (Bachelor) at the University of Fribourg (**2004 – 2007**)

Professional experience

Since 2016	Senior associate, MANGEAT, Dispute resolution and Pharmaceutical & Healthcare Groups, Geneva
2013 – 2015	Associate, Eversheds Sutherland Ltd, Dispute resolution Group, Geneva
2012 – 2013	Associate, CMS von Erlach Poncet, Geneva
2010 – 2012	Trainee, CMS von Erlach Poncet, Geneva

Other experience

- Member of the Supervisory commission of assisted suicide (**2018 –**)
- Lecturer at Virgile formation, Contract law and Labor law (**2015 – 2016**)

Memberships

- Member of the Geneva Bar Association
- Member of the Swiss Bar Association

Recent litigation experience (selected cases)

- Represented a multinational company against a former executive employee, claiming compensation on several basis and won at every procedural steps, including before the Federal Tribunal;
- Representing a bank executive against the bank, claiming compensation on several basis after termination of the employment contract;
- Representing a pharmaceutical company in a dispute with a former distributor for loss of income due to alleged breaches of the distribution agreement;
- Representing a number of doctors accused of having murdered or severely injured patients;
- Represented public institutions in health sector against an official in a dispute regarding misconduct in public office and forgery of documents;
- Represented a Swiss company in an arbitral proceeding against a foreigner company regarding distribution agreement related to pharmaceutical products.

What directories say

Legal 500, EMEA 2019, Healthcare and Life Sciences

"Seasoned in the complex licensing process prevalent in the healthcare sector", Mangeat Attorneys at Law LLC fields 'a solid team of lawyers', who stand out for their 'unique industry knowledge coupled with a thorough understanding of business implications and technological development'. Senior associate Sara Dousset focuses on disciplinary, civil and criminal disputes involving healthcare and pharmaceutical clients."

What clients say about the team

"We have been working with various members of the firm, mainly Fabien Aepli, Sara Dousset, Nurith Cohen and Diego Leis, in very different legal areas, mainly in relation to competition issues and employment law.

As a new client of the firm, I have been immediately impressed by the quality of the services delivered, as well as the pragmatic and client-oriented approach of each member. They have demonstrated consistent professionalism and precision. We used in the past the services of a top-tier international law firm in Zürich, and are now very glad to use the services of MANGEAT. The contacts with the various teams is straightforward and transparent, the level of service and speed is very high. Also, the billing practice and deadlines are clear and fully complied with."

Director, multinational industrial group

"MANGEAT attorneys have been active in the medical device industry for many years, and they regularly assist us on commercial agreements (distribution agreements, manufacturing agreements, technology transfers, etc.), asset and share deals, corporate governance, regulatory issues and dispute resolution. Our main contacts are Fabien Aepli and Nurith Cohen for commercial and corporate matters, and Grégoire Mangeat and Sara Dousset for regulatory matters and dispute resolution. Their knowledge of the industry, their legal skills and their commitment to deliver excellent work in a consistent manner are highly valuable and appreciated assets for our business. They are efficient, pragmatic and business-oriented."

Chairman, Swiss healthcare company
