

Grégoire Mangeat

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Practice areas Litigation, Arbitration, White Collar Crime and Investigations, Art Law.

Areas of specialisation Assist and represent clients in Swiss and international proceedings; Enforce and defend against claims; Acknowledge and enforce all foreign judgments in Switzerland; Secure claims, take preliminary measures (seize property, obtain bans, prohibit media releases etc.), gather preliminary evidence; Represent clients in white collar crime, extradition, inheritance and bankruptcy proceedings; Delisting of people or entities from sanctions lists; Legal and administrative assistance (tax, criminal, and financial matters); Cross-border and Multi-jurisdictional proceedings.

Languages French, English, German

Education

- Arbitration Practitioner Course (ArbP), Swiss Arbitration Academy, University of Neuchâtel and University of Lucerne (2013 – 2014)
- Post graduate studies in European and International Business Law, University of St. Gall (M.B.L.-HSG 2003)
- Law studies at the University of Fribourg and Paris II Panthéon-Assas (1994 – 1995)

Professional experience

Since 2016	Partner, MANGEAT, Geneva
2009 – 2015	Partner, Eversheds Sutherland Ltd, Head of Litigation Geneva
2003 – 2008	Partner, MCP Avocats, Geneva
1998 – 2001	Trainee at Gillioz Dorsaz & Partners, Geneva
1998	Trainee at Farella Braun & Martel LLP, San Francisco

Other experience

- Former Chairman of the Geneva Bar Association (2016 – 2018)
- Lecturer, University of Geneva (ECAV), Litigation Skills (since 2011)
- Former Chairman of the Human Rights Commission of the Geneva Bar Association (2010-2014)
- Former Chairman of the Geneva Young Bar Association (2008 – 2010)
- Member of the Executive Committee of the Geneva Bar Association (2008 – 2022)
- Teaching assistant at the University of Geneva, in contract and corporate law (2003 – 2006)
- 1st Prize, Oratory Contest of the Criminal Commission of the Geneva Bar (2000)

Memberships

- Société Suisse de droit pénal
- The International Academy of Financial Crime Litigators
- International Bar Association (IBA)
- Internationale Association of Lawyers (UIA)
- European Criminal Bar Association (ECBA)
- European Fraud and Compliance Lawyers (ECFL)
- Swiss Arbitration Association (ASA)
- SAA (Swiss Arbitration Academy) Alumni Association
- Centre of Corporate Law of the University of Lausanne (CEDIDAC)

MANGEAT Avocats Sàrl
Attorneys at Law LLC



Selected publications

- L'état de droit et des avocats à l'épreuve des sanctions contre la Russie, Sandrine Giroud, Grégoire Mangeat, Berem Brun, Revue de l'Avocat, **2/2023**, p. 63 ss.
- Sanctions et secret professionnel de l'avocat, Sandrine Giroud, Grégoire Mangeat, RSJ **24/2022**, p.1224 ss.
- Deferred Prosecution Agreements: une valeur probante sujette à caution, Grégoire Mangeat, Fanny Margairaz, in "Revue Internationale de la Compliance et de l'Éthique des affaires", fév. **2022**, p.12 ss.
- Swiss Contribution in "White Collar Crime - Chambers & Partners Global Practice Guide", Grégoire Mangeat, Fanny Margairaz (**2019 – 2023**)
- Swiss Contribution in "The Anti-Bribery and Anti-Corruption Review", Grégoire Mangeat, Hadrien Mangeat, in The Law Review (**2020 – 2023**)
- "ICLG — Class & Group Actions 2015", Grégoire Mangeat, Peter Haas (**10.2015**)
- Swiss Contribution in "Global Legal Insights — Bribery & Corruption", Grégoire Mangeat, Fanny Margairaz (**11.2013**)
- "Anti-doping and Competition Law", Grégoire Mangeat, Fabien Aepli, in ELR (**09.2006**)

Recent experiences include (selected cases)

- Representing a foreign national entity responsible for electricity production and supply of electricity to act in proceedings comments it before Geneva courts by a Swiss bank and a foreign oil trading company claiming USD 15 M. for the delivery of heavy fuel.
- Representing a foreign client accused of money laundering and corruption of foreign public officials, and assisting him in relation to the freezing by the Swiss Office of the Attorney General of his assets amounting to CHF 4.5 M.
- Representing a foreign sovereign fund after Swiss claimant company has obtained an attachment over CHF 11 M. deposited in its Swiss accounts in relation to an alleged debt owed by another foreign entity.
- Representing Geneva and Swiss public entities against a former executive employee accused of forgery of a document and fraud for around CHF 1.7 M.
- Representing a client in the extradition proceeding — after his arrest during a dawn raid in a hotel in Zurich — related to a major scandal in 2015 concerning one of the biggest sport association in the world, in which our client is accused of bribery of private persons for several millions.
- Representing a close relative of the present leader of a Central Asian State suspected to have received bribes in the context of a major international bribery scandal covering the UK, Sweden, Germany, Switzerland and France, following which CHF 800 M. deposited in Swiss banks have been attached by the Swiss General Prosecutor.

What directories say

Chambers 2024, White-Collar Crime - Switzerland

"He makes his analysis and his defence extremely right to the point because he is a listener. He is extremely available."

Who's Who Legal Switzerland - Business Crime Defence 2023

Grégoire Mangeat is a longstanding practitioner in the market who benefits from "a clear understanding of clients' business needs» and the «passion and motivation to provide first-class legal support".

Legal 500, EMEA 2023, Dispute Resolution: Litigation

"Grégoire Mangeat is an amazing lawyer with a very strong commercial understanding, which is much appreciated. He understands the business and the issues of the specific client and is capable of delivering tailored services of exceptional quality."

"This is a sophisticated, focused group of lawyers led by a Grégoire Mangeat, who is a leading light of the Swiss bar. They handle difficult cases and are collegiate as co-counsel."

"Grégoire Mangeat is a brilliant advocate and strategist. He knows everyone in Geneva and handles the most difficult cases with grace and skill."

"Grégoire Mangeat and Fanny Margairaz are very invested in the case and have a perfect knowledge of the file. Their overall strategy is impressive."

Chambers 2023, White-Collar Crime - Switzerland

"An extremely sharp lawyer, who is able to identify issues very quickly and with a clear and pragmatic approach."

"Grégoire Mangeat has an excellent and well-deserved reputation in Switzerland. He is empathetic with his clients and colleagues, and very supportive of his team."

Chambers 2020, White-Collar Crime - Switzerland

"Commentators underline that he is: super reactive, reliable and efficient when it comes to advising in relation to Swiss law and procedural issues. [...]"

Chambers & Partners 2018

"Grégoire Mangeat of Mangeat Attorneys at Law LLC comes highly recommended by market commentators for his strengths in the white-collar crime field. He has particular experience of international mutual legal assistance proceedings, as well as advising on matters involving issues of bribery, money laundering and the exploitation of insider information. Peers highlight him as 'very good' and 'very strong' in white-collar crime."

Recommended (Legal 500, EMEA, 2018)

"Strategic and impressive litigator" Grégoire Mangeat "thinks and acts off the beaten path", while maintaining a "clear, straightforward and entrepreneurial style".

Legal 500, EMEA 2019, Dispute Resolution: Litigation

"Best known for white-collar criminal law advice and international mutual legal assistance, Mangeat Attorneys at Law LLC's team also handles contractual, banking, private client, medical and insolvency disputes. Grégoire Mangeat leads the defence of the president of the Paris Saint-Germain football club in a criminal proceeding concerning unfair advantages in relation to granting media rights for upcoming Fifa World Cups to Middle Eastern and North African countries."

Legal 500, EMEA 2020, Dispute Resolution: Litigation

"The team has great knowledge and experience dealing with criminal white collar matters. It's noted for its creative and outside of box thinking."

Legal 500, EMEA 2020, Dispute Resolution: Litigation

"MANGEAT has outstanding knowledge of defence strategy and practices."

What clients say

"I endorse Grégoire Mangeat without any reservation. He helped us in several critical cases to maintain the upper hand when dealing with competitors and governmental agencies. Grégoire dedicates himself to every case and will do his very best to secure a favorable outcome for his clients. Anyone who hires Grégoire can expect the absolute best possible result in his/her case."
CEO, X. AG.

"Grégoire Mangeat provides incisive analysis, a fine sense of strategy combined with the right amount of boldness to achieve the outcomes clients require. Depth of analysis, fearlessness and boldness of strategy coupled with a healthy sense of pragmatism and realism are hallmarks of Grégoire's approach in his endeavour to help clients obtain their desired outcomes. When faced with a potentially sensitive political and legal matter Grégoire provided a steady hand in terms of putting together a coherent analysis of the matter and a clear strategy to achieve the necessary outcome for this client."
CEO, X. Privatbank AG.

What clients say about the team

"MANGEAT's work for one of our major HNWI client who is involved in the devolution of an extremely complicated, multi-jurisdictional estate case has been of critical importance.

From day one of our interactions, Fanny Margairaz's and Grégoire Mangeat's competence impressed the client, as well as his advisers and lawyers in other countries. Communication and responsiveness were impeccable and immediately re-assured the client and his advisers. The complexity of the work required considerable research and expertise and both of them were able to guide us through various legal processes with a great deal of care and clarity. At the same time MANGEAT's team ensured that we, the client and lawyers in other jurisdictions involved were aware of every process detail and on the same page."

Managing Director, Swiss entity of an international finance, accounting & administration 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