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Dr Gero Kollmer advises on M&A, corporate law and real estate law, with a particular focus on German law and German transactions. His work includes, in particular, company acquisitions and disposals, participation transactions, corporate structuring and real estate transactions. He has particular experience in the legal implementation of share and asset deals, transaction structures, shareholders' agreements, forward structures, as well as financing and security documentation. In addition, he advises on fund-related structures, particularly in the area of PE/VC and real estate funds.

He advises AIF management companies, fund managers, family offices, institutional investors and companies on complex transactions and structured investments under German law. His areas of work include the acquisition and disposal of corporate participations, real estate and real estate portfolios, as well as the legal support of the related corporate and transaction documentation. By combining M&A, corporate law, real estate law and fund practice, Dr Kollmer supports clients from structuring through to the execution of the transaction and its legal implementation in the market.

Recent Work

- Advising on more than 90 M&A transactions, including financial services institutions, credit institutions and real estate portfolios, also in distressed scenarios and cross-border cases.
- Structuring of closed-end funds/AIFs, bonds and other investment products, including the preparation of prospectuses, in particular closed-end real estate funds, agricultural funds and renewable energy funds.
- Advising on ownership control procedures.
- Representation in mass litigation relating to loan agreements (approx. 2,300 cases), with several successful outcomes before the German Federal Court of Justice (BGH).
- Complex corporate disputes among shareholders of both corporations and partnerships.
- Drafting of brokerage and distribution agreements for various distribution structures.

Career

- Admitted to the German Bar in 1999
- Founder and partner of law firms specialising in banking & capital markets law and corporate law
- Head of Legal and Head of Transactions at a major construction group
- Managing director and trustee of fiduciary companies (including CIS and DCM fund families)
- Member of supervisory boards of credit institutions and financial services providers
- Law studies at the University of Regensburg
- MBA at the Frankfurt School of Finance & Management (formerly Banking Academy)
- Certified M&A Professional (FSFM)
- Certified Specialist Lawyer (Fachanwalt) in Banking & Capital Markets Law since 2010
- Lecturer in business law at a major German university
- Lecturer for the training of specialist lawyers in banking & capital markets law

Publications

- Müller-Lankow/Kollmer, Defence strategies for banks providing investment advice in relation to open-ended property funds with incorrect risk categorisations (German: Verteidigungsstrategien für anlageberatende Banken bei falschen Risikoklassen offener Immobilienfonds), Zeitschrift für Bank- und Kapitalmarktrecht (BKR) 2025, pp. 721-730.
- Kollmer/Ketterling, Construction Site Ordinance – BaustellV (German: Baustellenverordnung – BaustellV), Commentary “Gelbe Reihe”, 3rd edition, Munich (C.H. Beck) 2021 (co-author).
- Kollmer/Klindt/Schucht, German Occupational Health and Safety Act – ArbSchG (German: Arbeitsschutzgesetz – ArbSchG), Commentary “Gelbe Reihe”, 4th edition, Munich (C.H. Beck) 2021 (co-author).
- Koeble/Gziwotz, Legal Handbook on Real Estate (German: Rechtshandbuch Immobilien), loose-leaf publication, Munich (C.H. Beck) 2021 (co-author, sections: financing, administration and brokerage law).
- Various study scripts, published by IU International University, including Merger Control Law (2022), Law of Alternative Dispute Resolution (2023), Credit Security Law I (2024), Credit Security Law II (2024), and Commercial Law I (2025).