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Robert Pelikán has extensive experience in litigation and arbitration practice. In the course of his career he regularly advised notable and prestigious clients, both from the Czech Republic and abroad, in high-profile complex litigation cases, which gained him an excellent reputation as one of the major local experts in these practice areas.

Robert graduated from Charles University, Faculty of Law and started his career at a leading Czech law firm. After completing a six-month professional internship at the General Court of the European Union (Luxembourg, 2006) and passing the Bar exam in 2007, Pelikán joined one of the major international law firms. In 2009, he co-founded the Vrána & Pelikán law firm, where he acted as a partner until 2014.

After the 2013 elections Robert Pelikán joined the Czech Ministry of Finance as the Legal Services Director. A few months later, in June 2014, he became the First Deputy Minister of Justice, and on 12 March 2015 he was appointed the sixteenth Minister of Justice of the Czech Republic.

In 2018 it was announced that Robert Pelikán would leave politics and resign from all the executive posts. Following this decision, he returned to advocacy and became a Counsel at Wolf Theiss. Currently he leads the litigation practice in Prague and Bratislava.

Robert has always been active in academia, regularly publishing books, articles in professional journals and participating in various conferences. He has been teaching civil, corporate and competition law at the Charles University, Faculty of Law. He is a member of the Legislation Council of the Government of the Czech Republic.

Selection of Publications

- Co-author of "Corporate Law", Wolters Kluwer, 2015.
- Co-author of "Commentary to the Civil Code", Wolters Kluwer, 2014.
- Author of "Legal personality", Wolters Kluwer, 2012.
- Author of "Commentary to the Law of Mergers", Nakladatelství Leges s.r.o., 2010.

EDUCATION

- Charles University in Prague, Faculty of Law (Ph.D., 2014)
- Charles University in Prague Faculty of Law (Mgr., 2003)

MEMBERSHIP

- Legislation Council of the Government of the Czech Republic
- Arbitrator at Arbitration Court of the Czech Chamber of Commerce
- Member of the Commercial Law Expert Committee at the Ministry of Justice of the Czech Republic

LANGUAGES

- Czech
- French
- EnglishGerman

- Co-author of the Czech translation of "French commercial law" by Jacques Mestre, Orac, 2002.
- Co-author of the Czech translation of "European law and a company" by Sylvaine Poillot-Peruzzetto, Monique Luby and Pavel Svoboda, Linde, 2003.
- Regularly teaches at the Charles University, Faculty of Law.

Robert Pelikán frequently participates in publishing and is author and co-author of various expert publications.