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Paris Bar (1983)
Partner at Racine
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DISTRESSED COMPANIES

Antoine Diesbecq's practice is dedicated to assisting economic actors faced with legal, economic and financial difficulties. His practice is marked by a tailored approach to handling crisis situations, which entails a close working relationship with decision-makers in view of building a sound and optimised strategy that is based on his deep experience and knowledge of personalities and institutions. The quality and commitment of the members of Racine's Restructuring team allows this approach to be properly executed.

Antoine has developed recognised experience as an advisor and as a litigator, and has particular expertise in managing the corporate difficulties of commercial and industrial companies.

Antoine was notably involved in the Vivarte, Clestra, SCOP, Seafrance, Altia, Sotralentz and Marriane matters.

He has also developed a strong reputation in the field of equity and post-acquisition litigation as well as in the field of disputes subject to arbitration.

AREAS OF EXPERTISE

- Banking and finance
- Debt restructuring and distressed companies
- Litigation and arbitration

CAREER PRIOR TO JOINING RACINE

- Partner, Diesbecq, Chaumette, Tisserand, Sauphar (1988-2002)
- Lyonnet & Bigot (1983-1987)

EDUCATION

- Master, legal careers distinction (Université Paris II Panthéon-Assas)
- Specialist in commercial law

LANGUAGES

French, English

OTHERS

- Former member, Paris Bar Council (Ordre des avocats de Paris)
- Director, Droit et Commerce
- President, Distressed Companies Committee, Paris Bar Council
- Co-President, Distressed Company Committee, Corporate Lawyers' Association (Association des Avocats Conseils d'Entreprises)
- Vice President, Union Nationale des CARPA
- Member, Finance Committee, Paris Bar Council
- Member, Scientific Committee, Association for Prevention and Support for CEOs and Entrepreneurs in Acute Distress (Association pour la Prévention et l'accompagnement des chefs d'entreprise et Entrepreneurs en Souffrance Aigue)
- Member, Information and Prevention Centre (Centre d'Information et de Prévention de Paris, 75)
- Member of specialised associations: Association for Corporate Turnaround (Association pour le Retournement des Entreprises), AFFIC and INSOL

PUBLICATIONS

- « The new role of stakeholders: capital holders », *JCPE*, december 2021
- « Breaking the debt wall », *Revue de jurisprudence commerciale*, july/august 2021
- « Late creditors ? File a foreclosure Statement ! », *Juriste d'entreprise n°39*, july 2021
- « Judicial strategy and adaptation of practitioners », *Livre blanc de l'Association Droit et Commerce*, march 2021
- « For more attractive and effective prevention », *Revue de jurisprudence commerciale*, november/december 2020
- « The impacts of the crisis on the restructuring of companies under LBO », *Option Finance*, october 2020
- « To limit the proliferation of judicial liquidations: a participatory rescue procedure », *Gazette du Palais*, july 2020
- « Turnaround Guide », *400 Partners*, july 2020
- « The legal environment for the turnaround and responsibilities », *CCEF Convergence n°29*, may 2020
- « The appropriate sanction in distressed company law », *Cahier de droit de l'entreprises*, January/February 2017
- « The force of contract in the face of distressed company law », *Gazette du Palais*, 18 & 19 December 2015
- « The creditor of a distressed company may present a plan that contemplates taking control », *Option Finance*, March 2015
- « Procedural conditions on liability proceedings based on insufficient assets », *Revue des procédures collectives*, No. 4, July/August 2012
- « Cupidity in distressed company law », *Gazette du Palais*, 29 & 30 December 2013
- « Internal transfers: A different method of transferring distressed companies », *Gazette du Palais*, 21 & 22 January 2009
- « The sale of a company through a share deal », *Journal des Sociétés*, December 2008

With Professor Philippe Roussel-Galle:

- « Projections and distressed company law », *Gazette du Palais*, 29 & 30 December 2010

With Laurent Jourdan, attorney-at-law:

- « Can the creditor of a distressed company present a reorganisation plan that contemplates taking control ? », *Option Droit des Affaires*, Special Restructuring Issue, 4 March 2015