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LEADING INDIVIDUALS

Daniela Dokovska – Dokovska, Atanasov & Associates

Alexander Katzarsky – **Georgiev, Todorov & Co**

Lazar Tomov – Tomov & Tomov

The ‘*superb*’ team at **Dokovska, Atanasov & Associates** is ‘*excellent*’ for dispute resolution, with experience across the range of commercial, civil and criminal cases.

Daniela Dokovska is ‘*brilliant*’, and ‘*very knowledgeable*’.

Georgiev, Todorov & Co is ‘*very efficient*’ and has ‘*vast experience*’ in dispute resolution matters. It is acting for Forton International in an arbitration procedure against Mega Mall Russe, and successfully advised Dundee Precious and its subsidiary Balkan Mineral and Mining in a concession dispute. It also advised CD Cargo in a case against the Bulgarian State Railways. The ‘*first-rate*’ Alexander Katzarsky heads the department.

Kambourov & Partners ‘*offers a rare combination of deep theoretical knowledge and very practical advice*’. It acted for the Bulgarian Football Union in several contentious matters before the Sports Arbitration Court; represented Discovery Communication Europe in a dispute with the Bulgarian cable operator Blizoo Media and Broadband; and acted for Alstom Power in a competition case. Emil Emanuilov is ‘*a master strategist and hard-fighting litigator with impressive business awareness*’, and Yavor Kambourov ‘*never ceases to impress with his remarkable business sense, solid network of connections and*

responsiveness to client needs'.

The *'very professional'* team at **Tomov & Tomov** has *'excellent expertise in arbitration'*, and is *'very focused'*. It acted as co-counsel in an investment treaty arbitration under the ICSID rules relating to an alleged breach of the Bulgaria-Cyprus Bilateral Investment Treaty and the Energy Charter Treaty. Lazar Tomov is *'a class act'*.

Boyanov & Co is *'very experienced'* in dispute resolution matters, and is *'highly regarded'* by key players in the market. Recent mandates include acting for Ideal Standard – Vidima and Kamenitsa in complex tax disputes, and acting for BNP Paribas in insolvency proceedings against a Bulgarian corporation. It is also acting for Alpha Bank in a number of commercial disputes. Kina Chuturkova is *'thorough'*, and Boyko Voynov is well regarded.

The *'top-quality'* team at **Djingov, Gouginski, Kyutchukov & Velichkov** *'always delivers great advice'*, with *'very fast response times'*. It successfully acted for oil producer Lukoil Neftohim Bourgas in a dispute with Naftex Petrol, and is acting for Depfa Bank in a matter against Holding Bulgarian State Railways, BDZ Freight Services and BDZ Passenger Services. It is also advising Punto Fa S.L. in relation to an insolvency invalidation claim brought by Bulgarian company Atrium. Key members of the department include Angel Ganev and Violetta Kunze.

With *'in-depth knowledge'* and *'a reputation for excellence'*, **Dyulgerova & Penkova Law Firm** is advising Puma Bulgaria in relation to commercial and employment disputes as well as enforcement and insolvency proceedings. It was instructed by Kastel Export in court proceedings relating to customs and tax issues. Other clients include Barentz-Bulgaria, Sopharma and Piccadilly. Managing partner Lyubimka Dyulgerova *'demonstrates impressive trial skills'* and is *'excellent at finding creative solutions'*. Victoria Penkova is also recommended.

Simeonov & Dermendjiev is *'excellent in arbitration matters'*, recently acting in two high-profile ICC cases. The team is experienced in public procurement disputes and has acted for a number of contracting authorities and suppliers. The team is also recommended for its mediation expertise. Ivaylo Dermendjiev is *'brilliant'*, and Konstantin Simeonov is also highly regarded.

The *'top-quality'* department at **CHSH Cerha Hempel Spiegelfeld Hlawati** has been instructed by Hewlett-Packard in a number of disputes involving employment and other issues. It is acting for Taylor Hobson in debt collection litigation, and also advises clients such as Sofia Airport. Boyko Guerginov is singled out.