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Overview

Barbora Obračajová is an associate, innovation ambassador, and a member of the Energy and Corporate practice at Dentons Prague office.

Her focus is energy and environmental regulation, M&A, administrative and civil proceedings, as well as compliance, including environmental, social and governance (ESG) matters. Barbora has strong track record in cross-border M&A transactions, especially helping Czech businesses heading abroad and coordinating multinational teams. She also has significant experience with complex regulatory and technical issues (such as IPPC and emission trading under the EU ETS). Barbora regularly presents at conferences and other business events.

Barbora is passionate about modern technologies, both within and outside the energy sector, such as sector digitalisation, renewable energy sources (including hydrogen), green bonds and carbon capture, storage and utilization technologies.

Barbora is embracing legal tech and drives innovative delivery of legal services.

Experience

M&A

- **PPF Group:** Advising on the sale of 100% of the shares in Telenor Montenegro to the Hungarian technology company 4iG Nyrt.
- **Sev.en Energy:** Advising on the acquisition of the Počerady power plant from the energy group ČEZ. With a capacity of 1,000 MW, Počerady is the largest coal-fired energy generating plant in the Czech Republic.
- **MND/KKCG:** Advising on the potential acquisition of innogy Ceska republika, the largest incumbent gas retail retailer in the Czech Republic, from RWE Group.
- **Sev.en Energy:** Advising on acquisition of a 50% stake in InterGen N.V., with assets located in the UK and Australia, from the Canadian Ontario Teachers' Pension Plan.
- **Sev.en Energy:** Advising on acquisition of share in Corsa Coal Corp., a TSX listed US-based metallurgical

coal producer.

- **Sev.en Energy:** Advising on acquisition of US-based metallurgical coal producer Blackhawk Mining, LLC.
- **EPH:** Advising on contemplated acquisition of 100% ownership interest in Alpiq generation (CZ) from Alpiq AG.
- **Multinational energy group:** Advising on a bid for the acquisition of hard coal and gas power plants and biomass assets in Germany and Netherlands in a competitive tender.
- **Multinational energy group:** Advising on a tender with respect to the potential acquisition of lignite and coal power plants and renewable assets in France.
- **Vermilion Energy:** Advising on the potential acquisition of shares in CEE oil & gas company.
- **Multinational energy group:** Advising on the potential acquisition of a combined cycle gas power plant (CCGT) in Spain, in an open auction.
- **Multinational group:** Advising on the contemplated acquisition of an infrastructure business in Austria, Germany and the UK.
- **Multinational group:** Advising on the potential acquisition of a CEE waste treatment group.

Regulatory

- **CPI Property Group:** Advising on implementing of new compliance structure and internal compliance policies, including environmental policy.
- **Československá obchodní banka:** Advising on implications of the new overcompensation mechanism with respect to the state aid granted to Czech photovoltaic plants.
- **Sev.en EC, Veolia Energie ČR, and Veolia Energie Kolín:** Successfully litigating the reimbursement of the illegally imposed gift tax onto emission allowances in the years 2011 and 2012 in breach of EU law and related interest claims, including representation before the Supreme Administrative Court as well as before the Czech Constitutional Court.
- **Sev.en EC:** Successful representation in proceedings regarding building permits and environmental impact assessment.
- **Czech energy company:** Advising on a wide range of environmental and regulatory issues.
- **Czech energy companies:** Advising on numerous changes of the IPPC permits of large combustion plants.
- **Multinational energy group:** Advising on energy efficiency in relation to the reconstruction of its units including the completion of the energy audit.
- **Large multinational energy group:** Legal advice in relation to a gas trading license for Czech market to transport/trade gas on Czech market.
- **Global packaging group:** Advising on a range of environmental issues in connection to EPR schemes applicable to production in the Czech Republic and IPPC permit proceedings.
- **Major producer of phytosanitary products:** Representing in appeal administrative proceedings concerning approval of a plant protection product.

Insights

- Author, "Expropriation, no expropriation and abandoned nuclear power plants," Restriction of freedoms due to state interest, Faculty of Law of Charles University, 2016
- Author, "The dynamics of the importance of state territory and extraterritorial obligations in the area of

protection of economic, social and cultural rights,” International Law and State Territory, Faculty of Law of Charles University, 2016

- Author, “Right to peaceful settlement of international disputes in the reasoning of the International Court of Justice,” Student Scientific Conference (SVOČ), 2014/2015

Activities and Affiliations

- “Does Due Process of Law Apply to States Before International Tribunals?” Academic presentation at the ASIL Research Forum, Washington, D.C., October, 2015

Memberships

- Member of the Czech Bar Association since 2021

Prior and Present Employment

- Associate, Dentons, Prague (May 2021-Present)
- Junior Associate, Dentons, Prague (2017–May 2021)
- Paralegal, Clifford Chance, Prague (2016–2017)
- Intern, Permanent Mission of the Czech Republic to the UN, New York (2016)
- Research assistant, Department of International Law of the Faculty of Law of Charles University, Prague (2014–2015)
- Legal assistant, Dr. Martiny Jankovská law firm, Prague (2014)
- Legal assistant, Saxinger, Chalupsky & Partner (SCWP Schindhelm), Prague (2013)

Areas of focus

Practices

- Litigation and Dispute Resolution
- Environment and Natural Resources
- Corporate
- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Environmental Regulation
- Environmental Litigation
- Environmental Permitting
- Environmental Transactional
- Energy Regulation

Industry sectors

- Energy

- Renewable Energy

Education

- Charles University in Prague, 2017, Master of Laws, (summa cum laude)

Languages

- Czech
- English
- German