

Elias Chedid

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Overview

Elias Chedid is the managing partner of Chedid Law Offices in association with Dentons in Beirut. He has a diverse practice, which draws on a strong experience gained abroad. He has spent 10 years working in New York, Paris, and Dubai with international law firms, before returning to the 60-year old family practice.

Elias focuses on mergers and acquisitions, private equity, banking and finance, energy, TMT, government and regulatory work, and international arbitration.

Elias is a dual Lebanese and French citizen and has been a member of the Beirut Bar since 1998, the New York State Bar since 2001 and the Paris Bar since 2002. He received an LLB degree in French law and Lebanese law from the Saint-Joseph University Law School of Lebanon in 1997, where he ranked first throughout his four years of study. After having been awarded a Scholarship from the French government to pursue legal studies in France, he received a Master degree (D.E.A) in Private Law from the University of Paris 1 – Sorbonne, with honours, in 1998. He also received his LL.M. (Master of Laws) degree from Harvard University Law School in 2000, where he was a staff member of the Harvard Negotiation Law Review. Elias was President of the Harvard Club of France from 2006 – 2008 and is the Vice President of the Sorbonne Law School Alumni Association of Lebanon.

Recognition

- Practice head Elias Chedid is “a problem-solver at heart”. – *Legal 500 2014*
- Managing partner Elias Chedid heads the team and is noted for his ‘tremendous knowledge, international experience and great communication skills’. He is ‘sharp, intelligent and knowledgeable’. – *Legal 500 2015*
- Elias Chedid is ‘proactive and very experienced’. He ‘always finds out-of-the-box legal solutions’ – *Legal 500 2016*
- Elias Chedid heads the practice and is active on the firm's major transactions. Clients describe him as “very focused, very organised and very proactive.” – *Chambers Global 2014*
- Managing partner Elias Chedid maintains a strong corporate and commercial practice. Sources say: “He is articulate and analytical, and quickly identifies the issue from the legal perspective. He never gives up on

finding a solution." – *Chambers Global 2015*

- Clients appreciate managing partner Elias Chedid's international experience; sources describe him as "focused, dedicated and pragmatic" and "very knowledgeable." – *Chambers Global 2016*

Insights

- "New Lebanese law on e-transactions and data protection," January 21, 2019

Areas of focus

Practices

- Arbitration
- Banking and Finance
- Capital Markets
- Corporate
- Employment and Labor
- Health Care
- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Real Estate

Industry sectors

- Energy
- Government
- Private Equity
- Technology
- Media, Entertainment and Sports
- Hotels and Leisure

Region

- Middle East
- Beirut

Education

- Harvard Law School, 2000, LL.M.
- Sorbonne Law School, 1998, DEA, Hons
- Saint Joseph's University Law School, 1997, LLB (Hons)

Admissions and qualifications

- Beirut, 1998
- New York State Bar, 2001
- Paris Bar, 2002

Languages

- Arabic
- English
- French