

# Corporate Governance in the Gaming Sector in Central and Eastern Europe

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We understand that the best way to avoid a corporate governance crisis is to plan for it; and that often the most successfully resolved crises are the ones that no one hears about. But when an issue is in the spotlight, we bring to bear an unparalleled array of resources and expertise, including securities regulation, disclosure, corporate law, communications policy, compliance practices, privacy, fiduciary duties, investor relations, activist shareholders and experience-based business judgment.

We are experienced in guiding boards of directors, special committees, management and corporate leadership on the full range of governance issues that confront them. In fact, our multidisciplinary, business-focused approach to addressing these issues has been relied on by many of the most sophisticated global companies.

We assemble teams of litigation and corporate partners experienced in all aspects of these sensitive matters, including:

- advising boards, committees, management and leadership in discharging their legal and fiduciary obligations while preserving all available legal protections
- responding to and negotiating with national and international securities regulators and other enforcement agencies
- working with your auditors and financial advisors to resolve potential accounting issues
- handling disclosure in a manner that both satisfies legal obligations and is sensitive to the concerns of investors, employees and the media
- conducting internal investigations to determine relevant facts quickly and accurately
- working with financing sources
- handling any civil litigation that may arise

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## Gaming

The gaming industry is continuously changing and evolving. Our goal is to make sure you are always at the top of your game.

Gaming and gambling enterprises are among the most heavily regulated and monitored businesses in North America and Europe, so you need a partner who can find a clear path through federal, state and provincial laws. That's Dentons.

Use our deep knowledge of the industry's ins and outs to identify your best options and strategies for success and achieve a win-win outcome.

Whether you are a casino operator, a government gaming corporation, regulator, Internet gaming company, racetrack or supplier, we help you navigate all the complexities of the industry, including:

- Negotiating operating and development agreements with regulatory authorities
- Advising on compliance matters, including regulations in Internet and wireless gaming
- Complying with gaming license requirements within and across jurisdictions—including the critically important issue of cross-border regulation within the European Community
- Representing you in negotiations with regulatory agencies, including investigations
- Reviewing marketing, advertising and privacy matters to ensure compliance with jurisdictional obligations
- Assisting with the legal aspects of credit and collection of debts
- Advising on litigation matters affecting casino operations—including non-gaming legal issues such as employment law, banking regulations and personal injury law
- Advising on corporate structuring and gaming tax issues
- Protecting the intellectual property of casinos, gaming equipment manufacturers, and online gaming Websites

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