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Services

Litigation > Complex Commercial Litigation > Class Actions >
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Laurent Martinet practices in the area of corporate and commercial litigation, advising French and international clients, and often in multijurisdictional proceedings.

His practice has covered numerous substantive areas of law, including product liability, energy regulation, sales and distribution regulation, corporate and shareholder disputes, directors and officers liability, and compliance. His clients come from industry sectors such as chemical, energy, IT, transportation, aviation, automotive and steel.

Mr. Martinet is recognized among the leading litigation lawyers in France by *Best Lawyers* 2019. He is recommended in *Chambers Global* and *Chambers Europe* 2019 for his work in dispute resolution in France. In addition, he is recommended for his work in commercial litigation in France in *The Legal 500 EMEA* 2019.

Laurent Martinet has been re-elected co-Chairman of the Paris Bar Law School (EFB). He previously served as vice chair of the Paris Bar and chairman of the Paris Bar Law School (2014 – 2015), member of the Paris Bar Council (2008 – 2010), secretary for the International Commission of the Paris Bar (2010) and advisor of the chair of the Paris Bar on the international matters (2011).

Mr. Martinet is also involved in victim support. He advised Juliette Méadel, secretary of state to the prime minister in charge of victim support, particularly on the issues of compensation for victims of terrorist acts and access to law and justice.

Prior to joining Dechert, Mr. Martinet served as partner and head of the corporate and commercial litigation practice of the Paris office at Jones Day.

EXPERIENCE

- **An American manufacturer** in the context of the Charm el-Cheik crash (Flash Airlines).
- **A major player in the railway industry** in complex commercial litigation relating to contractual and technical disputes in a large-scale international infrastructure project.
- **A major operator of the public electricity network in France** in commercial disputes with alternative electricity suppliers.
- **A manufacturer of herbicides** in a lawsuit related to the use of a herbicide during the Vietnam War.
- **A leading agrochemical company** in a commercial dispute with a former contractor in relation to the explosion of a chemical factory.
- **A French subsidiary of a leading U.S. IT services company** during searches carried out at its headquarters pursuant to an ex-parte application filed by a competing company, and during the subsequent litigation before the Commercial Court, the Court of Appeal and the Supreme Court.

Includes matters handled at Dechert or prior to joining the firm.

EDUCATION

- Paris Institute of Political Studies, Diploma, 1989
- Université Paris 2 Panthéon-Assas, DEA de droit, 1989

ADMISSIONS

- Paris

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- **Compliance - Précautions à prendre et défis pour les entreprises faisant des affaires au Brésil et en Amérique Latine** — Maison du Barreau (December 13, 2017)