

Damien-Raphaël Bossy

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Personal details Date of birth: 13th September 1978

Married

2 children (aged 12 and 10)

Languages French: mother tongue

Swiss-German: virtually bilingual (second family language) German: virtually bilingual (second working language) English: excellent knowledge (third working language)

professional experience

2012 to present Hartmann Dreyer Attorneys & Notaries, Fribourg

Partner

Practice areas: Civil liability, social insurance law, international private

law, commercial law.

2012 to date Toplis & Harding SA, Fribourg

Co-shareholder and delegate to the Board of Directors
Toplis & Harding SA is a leading Swiss provider of claims settlement

services (toplis.ch).

2013 to date Board member of various companies operating locally,

nationally and/or internationally

Particularly in the (re)insurance, MotoGP and real estate sectors.

2014 to date Independent representative of the shareholders

of various listed companies

Nestlé SA, LEM Holding SA and Alcon Inc.

2008 à 2012 Steinegger Rechtsanwälte, Bern

Lawyer, Associate

Practice areas: Civil liability, social insurance law, international private

law, employment law.

2008 Cantonal Court of Fribourg

Clerk; civil and criminal divisions

2007 Portailprivé SA, Geneva

Assistant Compliance Officer

2005-2006 Gillon, Perritaz, Esseiva & Overney Avocats, Fribourg,

Trainee

2004-2005 Sarine District Court, Fribourg

Legal assistant

1997-2005 Various other teaching and legal roles

Education	2008 to date	Continuing education in insurance law, international private law and commercial law.
	June 2007	Admission to the bar, Fribourg, Switzerland
	2000-2004	University of Fribourg Law degree, magna cum laude, European law and utriusque iuris
Publications	Canton of Fribourg: Organisation of the cantonal and federal criminal authorities and application of criminal provisions, Ed. Raphaël Arn / Nicole Saurer / André Kuhn, 227 et seq. Switzerland's prenuptial agreements on post-marital maintenance, IAML Newsletter, July 2009.	
Activity teaching staff	Since 2014 (annual)	Intensive course "Company Law", Masters program. University of Fribourg, Prof. Dr W.A. Stoffel and Prof. Dr I. Chabloz

Experience in the insurance sector as a business advisor

- Counsel to a Swiss family in a €10 million dispute following medical malpractice (all aspects; in particular, all social insurance and civil liability issues) (2008-2012)
- Counsel to a mother in two actions against her gynaecologist (Wrongful Life / Wrongful Birth; first judgment by a Swiss appeal court) (2008 2011)
- Advising numerous victims in various disputes involving sums of between CHF 1 and 5 million arising from road traffic, professional and sport accidents (all aspects; in particular, all questions of civil liability and social security insurance) (2008 - 2012);
- Advising numerous surviving spouses and children in various disputes ranging from CHF 1 million to CHF 5 million (survivors' benefits; in particular, all social insurance and civil liability issues) (2008 - 2012)
- Advising individuals on all insurance matters (2008 2024)
- Advising insurance companies and their insured doctors in a wide range of medical malpractice cases, from CHF 0.5 million to CHF 4 million (neurosurgery, orthopaedics, neurology, cosmetic surgery, etc.) (2012 - 2024)
- Advice to Swiss compulsory accident insurance companies in recovery proceedings against liable third parties in Switzerland, France, Germany, Portugal, Italy, etc.
- Advising Swiss compulsory accident insurance companies (LAA) in the event of disputes with policyholders (unjustified claims by policyholders) (2008 - 2024)
- Counsel to a major global insurance company following property damage of €24 million (fire) and business interruption (2013 - 2017) (civil and criminal proceedings, including recovery proceedings)
- Counsel to liability insurers/insurance companies in commercial disputes of CHF 0.05 to 10 million under Swiss law (2012 2024)
- Product liability (defective capacitors in washing machines; Europe-wide recall campaign)
- Product liability (defective electrical components in lifts, major recall campaign)
- Product liability (defective chrome parts in the automotive industry)
- Shipping incident damages gas turbines at a major power plant in the Middle East
- Dispute arising in connection with the development of an insurance software platform; breach of contract
- Disputes arising from the delivery of defective electronic capacitors, including recovery action in Hong Kong
- A very large number of disputes (also as delegate to the Board of Directors of a leading Swiss provider of international claims settlement, based in Fribourg with local offices in Rotkreuz, Zug and Geneva) in the following cases:
 - Civil liability: personal, corporate and product liability, professional liability and corporate liability;

- Property: domestic and commercial claims, including business interruption (also due to COVID-19);
- o Thefts;
- Motor insurance and road accidents (all aspects; in particular all insurance matters, including recovery proceedings against the liable third party).

Leisure

Piano, gardening, music, downhill skiing

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