

**Denise Wettstein**

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Denise Wettstein was admitted to the Bar in Bern (2007) and started her career as an attorney-at-law in a major law firm in Bern, specialized in International Private Law, International Family Law, Tort Law. She then worked for a global insurance company before joining Hartmann Dreyer in January 2014. In recent years, Denise Wettstein solved many cases of international child abduction and acquired valuable experience in this field.

Denise Wettstein advises her clients mainly in the field of International Family Law, including divorce, financial planning (prenuptial agreements) and enforcement of foreign court judgements. She also advises and represents her clients in contentious and non-contentious matters in the field of Contract Law, in particular lease contracts, construction contracts and employment contracts.

Her mother tongue is German (Swiss German), she has a perfect command in French and is fluent in English.

She practices before German and French speaking courts all over Switzerland and assists foreign colleagues in international transactions and cross-border litigations.

**Specialization :**

Family Law (divorce, matrimonial property systems, pre-nuptial agreements, child custody, protective measures, registered partnership, inheritance law),  
International Family Law (financial planning & pre-nuptial agreements, international child abduction, international divorces, matrimonial property systems),  
International Private Law,  
Contract Law (lease, construction and employment)

**Languages :**

German, French, English

**Education :**

Bar Examination (Bern, 2007)

*Lic. iur.* with specialization in European law (University of Fribourg, 2004)

Faculty of Natural Sciences and Medicine (University of Fribourg, 1999-2000)

**Memberships :**

Swiss Bar Association (SAV-FSA)

Fribourg Bar Association (OAF-FAV)

Bernese Bar Association (2008-2012)

Swiss Institute of Tort and Insurance Law (SDRCA-SGHVR)

Swiss Lawyers Society (SSJ-SJV)

Bernese Lawyers Society (BJV)