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Advogados



A FIRM THAT TRULY
RECOGNIZES THE IMPORTANCE
OF A GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE.

GFDL is a Portuguese law firm based in Lisbon, Portugal, composed of highly skilled advisors and lawyers, who have international experience.

Decades of local experience grant a unique perspective of the legal framework in Portugal. It allows us to understand the evolution of key aspects of legal practice and provide adaptative solutions to clients.

We have the privilege of working with a select group of clients spanning a wide geographic range that continues to grow through our global platform. We are experienced in all aspects of doing business and investing in Portugal and other Portuguese speaking jurisdictions.

Our lawyers are often engaged to provide comprehensive legal advice for business and private client across several industries. We are engaged by a broad array of clients seeking innovative and solid solutions in traditional and disruptive areas of business. In addition to technical solutions, we strive to know and understand the detail of our clients' businesses and understanding the several vectors that influence their industries and markets.

Our firm acts as a trustworthy legal bridge by providing business-focused advice that goes beyond borders and focuses on narrow areas of expertise.

By working in niche areas of the legal arena, we remain at the vanguard of the industry as it adjusts to the innovations and complexities of business and life.

In our endeavor to provide the highest possible standard of legal service, we continuously monitor the legal and business arena to identify opportunities or challenges and provide prudent and tactical advice to clients. The value we provide goes beyond the customary services of law firms because our relationship with clients relies on continuity and trust.

Gil Figueira & Devillet Lima - Sociedade de Advogados S.P.R.L. is a limited liability law firm.

Corporate & Commercial Contracts

Our lawyers are experienced in a broad range of corporate and commercial matters. We combine strong industry knowledge with a hands-on, on-the-ground, approach to projects and our team regularly assists businesses and corporations regarding transactions, while also providing ongoing advisory services.

Our team regularly works with multinational corporations entering the European Union market through newly formed subsidiaries or expanding their presence through joint ventures, acquisitions or expanded sales and distribution channels.

We provide practical, creative, and cost-effective advice for multinational companies doing business in Portugal, the European Union, and beyond.

Our team provides comprehensive tax and estate planning services to allow efficient allocation of corporate benefits to shareholders and directors in every stage of life.

We have a broad and deep international business experience. We have assisted clients doing business in the global marketplace, regularly traveling to Europe, the Americas, Asia and the Middle East to implement the best solutions.

Capital Markets

Our team provides advice regarding offerings, private placements, securitization, information issues, licensing, listings, incentive programs and corporate governance.

We have broad knowledge and significant experience in the Portuguese regulatory system and work closely with local counsels worldwide to ensure compliance with all applicable regulations.

Our team represents investors who consider participating in alternative investments in private equity, real estate development and similar investment opportunities, while reviewing and negotiating (where applicable) private offering memoranda and prospectuses, and interfacing with the team involved in the due diligence process.

Tax & Social Security

We offer a complete set of services aimed at avoiding unnecessary Tax and Social Security pitfalls and liabilities. GFDL assists individuals, corporations and closely held companies structuring their business strategy in a tax efficient manner.

GFDL advises domestic and international private clients, including entrepreneurs, investors, senior executives and their families. Often, we advise on the structuring of estates and wills, provide advice on family gifts, asset holding and disposal strategies, and the interaction of trusts with continental law systems.

Our Tax Dispute team provides expert tax litigation and dispute resolution services, including filing Court and Arbitration proceedings. We assist at negotiations and disputes with the Tax Authorities and the Social Security Authorities.

To complement and support our advisory practice, we provide a comprehensive range of compliance services for resident and nonresident individuals and companies.



Immigration & Citizenship

Our team provides clients with a full range of carefully crafted Immigration and Citizenship legal services. Our practice includes representation of expats, employees, investors, entrepreneurs, employers and institutions worldwide, in a broad spectrum of global immigration matters.

Our clients are assisted by lawyers and paralegals with extensive and diverse experience with global visa work in several jurisdictions.

Our focus is making our client's relocation process as stress-free as possible while respecting cultural nuances.

Relocation requires knowledge in a broad spectrum of disciplines. Due to the diverse nature of our clients, immigration related work usually requires input from other teams advising on investment and corporate structuring, commercial contracts, business model optimization, family law and tax.

Our global immigration network and experience are key to obtaining swift results.

Public Law

GFDL has considerable experience in assisting both Public Entities and Private Enterprises. The firm provides insight to properly evaluate each case from both sides of the equation and anticipates possible problems and liabilities that may arise when implementing a project.



Labour & Employment

Labour and Employment Law is perceived as a natural arena for conflicting interests. GFDL provides solutions for corporate and private clients alike.

Our lawyers have wide-ranging knowledge in all areas of contentious and non-contentious employment matters.

We routinely handle a wide variety of litigation matters involving employment, employee benefits, and shareholder or management issues. We also advise corporate clients before a dispute becomes the subject of actual litigation.

Our lawyers are well-informed of negotiation dynamics and mediation procedures.

In sectors where information is key, our team advises on employee noncompetition and no solicitation agreements, and espionage and theft of trade secrets by employees.



Real Estate & Construction

GFDL's accumulated expertise in construction and real estate projects comes from our client base that includes construction companies, property developers, promoters, banks and private clients.

We provide legal advice to structure real estate transactions with a local or international footprint. Our team provides guidance on portfolio acquisitions, M&A and share deals, restructurings, acquisitions, leases and divestment deals of any size.

In addition to handling routine issues in real estate matters, we provide guided assistance through all phases of complex transactions or projects, including financing, taxation, regulations, profitability and liability protection.

We are experienced in creating bespoke solutions for domestic and international investors.

We conduct all the necessary due diligence work and design governance rules for property development projects in joint venture scenarios, while advising on risk and reward splitting agreements between investors of several countries.

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