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Recognitions

- Chambers and Partners Europe: Intellectual Property since 2012; Life Sciences since 2019
- The Legal 500: Leading Partner in Intellectual Property; Leading Partner in Healthcare and Life Sciences; Key Lawyer in Public Law
- Lexology Index: Thought Leader in Life Sciences since 2022; Recommended in Intellectual Property since 2022; Recommended in Arbitration since 2021; Recommended in Product Liability Defence since 2021
- LMG Life Sciences Awards EMEA 2023: Licensing & Collaboration Lawyer of the Year
- World's Leading Patent Professionals
- World's Leading Trademark Professionals
- Managing Intellectual Property's IP Stars
- World Trademark Review 1000
- The World's Leading Technology Arbitrators and Mediators (The Tech List, by the Silicon Valley Arbitration & Mediation Center)

Languages

German, English

Selected Publications

- "Commercially Reasonable Efforts" in Life Sciences Agreements
- Licensing, Switzerland, 2025 Edition
- Commentary on art. 89-90 Swiss Civil Procedure Code, Basler Commentary (BSK), 4th ed.
- Trademarks Registered by Distributors: Swiss Federal Supreme Court Clarifies Rights of Suppliers under Swiss Trademark Law
- Climate-Related Marketing Claims in Switzerland: Towards Stricter Regulation and Enforcement

Philipp Groz is a partner in our Dispute Resolution team. He heads our Intellectual Property team and co-heads our Life Sciences group. He represents clients in litigation before Swiss courts and in international arbitrations in all types of IP, trade secrets, and unfair competition disputes, and in a wide range of contractual and product liability disputes. He also sits as an arbitrator. Philipp frequently assists clients in drafting and negotiating licensing, R&D, manufacturing, supply, distribution, sponsoring, franchising, and other agreements. He also advises on IP aspects of transactions. His practice further includes regulatory and advertising matters.

Expertise

- Dispute Resolution
 - Intellectual Property
 - Life Sciences
 - International Arbitration
 - Data
 - Information and Communication Technology
 - Corporate & Commercial
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Experience

- Represented pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies in several international arbitrations arising out of licensing and/or distribution agreements
 - Represented lab technology engineering company in patent litigation
 - Represented major car manufacturer in various unfair competition proceedings before Swiss courts
 - Advised Swiss listed orphan drug company on various asset sale/purchase, development and licensing agreements
 - Represented global medical device manufacturer in several product liability defense cases in Switzerland
 - Advised consumer goods companies on various aspects of Swiss regulatory law (such as advertising, labeling, product recalls)
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Career

2012	Partner at Schellenberg Wittmer
2005	Associate at Schellenberg Wittmer
2004	Substitute Judge and Court Secretary at the District Court of Zurich
2001	Court Secretary and Clerk at the District Court of Zurich

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Education

2007	LL.M., New York University
2004	Bar Admission in Switzerland
2001	lic. iur., University of Zurich

Additional Professional Activities

- President of Licensing Executives Society Switzerland
- Member of AIPPI Standing Committee on Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Member of INTA's ADR Committee
- Member of WIPO Mediation and Arbitration Advisory Committee
- Regular publications and speaking engagements in the field of intellectual property, licensing and IP-related arbitration