

Member Profile | Julie Economou

Julie Economou is a Partner of **SCORDIS, PAPAPETROU & Co LLC**, originally joined in 2003 as Junior Associate. Specialising in company and commercial law, and acted as legal advisor on a number of corporate acquisitions, joint ventures, financing and security arrangements, negotiations and drafting of agreements, escrow and shareholder agreements) in all commercial fields, including energy related. Involved in, advising on company law matters in international claims leading to litigation in Cyprus, Ukraine, UK, BVI, or arbitration in Cyprus, London (LCIA). Involved extensively and acted as legal advisor with Eastern Europe related mergers, acquisitions, complicated structuring of investments and transactions and escrow arrangements. Advising on major transactions in real estate developments, infrastructure, industry in Greece, the Balkans and Eastern Europe and also providing legal support and assistance as an external independent consultant to family officers for high-net-worth individuals.

Areas of Practice:

- Corporate & Commercial Law
- Domestic, international and cross border corporate commercial transactions
- Cross Border Mergers, redomiciliation/Mergers and acquisitions of private companies
- Structuring of corporate entities including international business entities
- Joint ventures/corporate reorganisations/investments
- Family trusts structures/Escrow and tax planning
- Financing and refinancing of commercial transactions
- Business relocation to Cyprus.

Languages:

- Greek
- English
- Russian

Major Engagements:

- Acted and continuing to act as advisor for a major Greek shipping group in respect of various restructurings, financing and refinancing of future and ongoing projects.
- Advising a major family run multi-layered complex structure headquartered in Switzerland in respect of various restructurings, financing and refinancing of future and ongoing projects, investment in and acquisition of real estate.
- Advising a significant foreign private investor regarding investment into two office development projects in downtown Kiev and on various matters relating to the acquisition of 50 percent share in a joint venture established for the development and operation of a large shopping mall in Kiev.
- Advising and acting as advisor for a private investment group concentrating primarily on start-up businesses, research and development of new technologies in Europe, India, and the US.
- Acted and continuing to act as advisor to a major holding structure, holding and managing a large supermarkets and discount supermarkets chain in Ukraine, continuing to advise on the group's international ventures.
- Acted as advisor for a major European logistics/automotive group refinancing with HSBC Prague.

- Acting as Cypriot counsel in EU cross border mergers between UK and Cypriot Companies ahead of Brexit.
- Advised on asset protection and tax planning and succession matters involving the setting up of Cyprus trusts.
- Acted as Cypriot counsel on several financial transactions involving major European and Swiss banks for the facilitation of obtaining, settling, subordinating and novating loans.
- Advised on a number of commercial transactions involving financing, refinancing, and structuring the acquisition and sale of commercial buildings located in Germany, Switzerland and the UK.
- Involved in several multi-jurisdictional, multi-million legal disputes with ongoing court proceedings in Russia, Ukraine, the UK and Cyprus advising on corporate law matters and acting as expert witness in Court.
- Acted and continuing to act as advisor to a major holding structure holding and operating an international online streaming platform.
- Acted as Cypriot law counsel on a major infrastructure project in Greece.
- Acted and continue to act as Cypriot counsel on a major group restructuring in the energy field involving redomiciliation of companies into Cyprus, setting up headquarters and substance matters.

Academic & Professional Qualifications:

- LL. B (Honours), University of Leicester (2001)
- LL.M (Honours) in International Commercial Law, University of Leicester (2002)
- Advocate (Cyprus) (2003)