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# Gibson Dunn Appoints New Partner in Charge of Its Munich Office

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Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP is pleased to announce that it has appointed Benno Schwarz as the new Partner in Charge of its Munich office. Barbara Becker, Gibson Dunn's Chair and Managing Partner, said: "Benno is already an important leader for our firm in Germany, and I look forward to working with him in this new role. We are continuing to expand Gibson Dunn's presence throughout Europe, and the world more broadly, and the office stewardship of our Partners in Charge is particularly important as we grow." Commenting on his appointment, Benno said: "I am excited to serve as Partner in Charge of the firm's Munich office. My focus will be the continued enhancement of our global solutions for the ever changing challenges facing our German and international clients." Benno follows Ferdinand Fromholzer as Partner in Charge of the Munich office. Gibson Dunn has over 55 lawyers across its offices in Munich and Frankfurt. In the past two years, the firm has promoted lawyers Kai Gesing (Antitrust and Competition), Katharina Humphrey (White Collar Defense), Sonja Ruttmann (M&A) and Jan Schubert (M&A) to its partnership, and hired lateral partner Lars Petersen (public law and regulatory). About Benno Schwarz Benno Schwarz is a partner in the Munich office of Gibson Dunn and Co-Chair of the firm's Anti-Corruption & FCPA Practice Group. He focuses on white collar defense and compliance investigations in a wide array of criminal regulatory matters. For more than 30 years, he has handled sensitive cases and investigations concerning all types of compliance issues, especially in an international context. He is recognized as a leading lawyer in Germany in the areas of white collar crime, corporate advice, compliance, and investigations by publications such as Chambers, The Legal 500, and JUVE. He was named one of four Leading Individuals in Internal Investigations in Germany by The Legal 500 in 2023. About Gibson Dunn's Munich Office Gibson Dunn's Munich office was opened in 2002 and focuses on corporate transactional advice and private equity transactions, white collar defense and compliance investigations, litigation, and antitrust. Other areas of practice include technology and intellectual property, data protection, sanctions and export controls, and ESG-related advice. The team advises German and international clients from a range of industries, including bluechip corporations, DAX<sup>®</sup>, MDAX<sup>®</sup>, and TecDAX<sup>®</sup> companies, medium-sized companies (SMEs), financial institutions, and private equity and venture capital investors. Our lawyers in Munich work closely with Gibson Dunn's Frankfurt office and other offices around the world to provide seamless legal advice across all practice areas and jurisdictions.

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