

Mikala Berg Dueholm

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Mikala Berg Dueholm provides advice to public authorities and private enterprises on all aspects of procurement law and public contracts.

She has a wealth of experience of both EU and national procurement law and advises on all aspects, including procedure, negotiations, contracts, incentive mechanisms, contractual changes, access to documents, disputes and complaints.

She is particularly experienced in tender proceedings within transport, environment and soil contamination, IT, construction and consulting services.

Mikala also provides advice to municipalities, regions and government agencies on municipal law and administrative law in connection with tender proceedings.

Her clients include the City of Copenhagen, the Central Denmark Region, the Danish Road Directorate, the Danish passenger transportation company Trafikselskabet Movia and the Danish National Building Fund.

She often advises on large and complex matters such as the EU call for tenders concerning the first PPP contract for sewage systems in Denmark and the EU call for tenders concerning the clean-up of Denmark's largest toxic contaminated site.

Mikala has also conducted a number of cases concerning the procurement rules before the Danish Complaints Board for Public Procurement and the courts.

Mikala lectures in procurement law at Nohrcon and IKA, and is a former part-time lecturer in constitutional law at the University of Southern Denmark. In addition, she is a preferred speaker at procurement conferences.

She is admitted to the Danish High Court and is recognised by Chambers and Legal 500 within Public Procurement.

Finally, she is used to operating in politically controlled organisations and has insight into the political machinery.

Qualifications

Education	Master of Law, University of Copenhagen	2008
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	Studies at University of Lund, Sweden	2006
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Memberships	Dansk Forening for Udbudsret (the Danish association for procurement law)
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Admissions	Right of audience before the Danish High Courts	2017
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Experience

Recent highlights

- Mikala advised the City of Copenhagen on all legal aspects of an EU call for tenders concerning the first PPP contract for sewage systems in Denmark. The PPP contract of an approximate value of DKK 500m was large and complex and to apply for a 30-year period. Her advice also extended to municipal and administrative law in connection with the tendering process.
- Mikala assisted the Central Denmark Region in connection with an EU call for tenders concerning the clean-up of Denmark's largest toxic contaminated site, Groyne 42, with a budget of approx. DKK 700m. Her advice spanned all legal aspects of the tendering process, including document drafting, document management, Q&A, negotiations etc.
- Mikala acted for the Danish passenger transportation company Trafikselskabet Movia in a case raised by an operator against Movia. The issue of the case was whether Movia had set up the right requirements for authorisations in a call for tenders concerning regular traffic services. Mikala's client was successful in the proceedings before the Danish Complaints Board for Public Procurement and subsequently before the district court.
- Mikala assisted the Danish Agency for Public Finance and Management in a complex and extensive tendering process concerning an IT contract for operation and maintenance, legacy reduction and development etc. of the Danish State's payroll service system (Statens Lønløsning). The call for tenders was subject to the Danish "location requirement rule", which stipulates that due to national security, certain data processed in specified IT systems must be stored exclusively in Denmark.

Career highlights

Partner, DLA Piper Denmark, since 2018

Senior Attorney, Horten Law Firm, 2017-2018

Attorney, LETT (DLA Piper Denmark), 2011-2017

Part-time lecturer in constitutional law, University of Southern Denmark, 2008-2013

Assistant Attorney, LETT (DLA Piper Denmark), 2008-2011

Other positions

Lecturer of the course Certification in Procurement Law, Nohrcon, since 2019

Rankings

Legal 500

Mikala Berg Dueholm is recognized by The Legal 500 as 'Leading Partner' within 'EU, Competition and Public Procurement'.



"As the primary contact, Mikala Berg Dueholm has been very service-minded, while being able to constructively point out weaknesses and possible choices in connection with her advice. Mikala is highly valued and throughout the process has been in excellent collaboration with our technical client advisor."

"Mikala Berg Dueholm has extensive legal knowledge and enthusiasm towards strengthening public procurement processes."

"DLA Piper's procurement team headed by Mikala Berg Dueholm is very capable and able to act fast."

"Mikala Dueholm definitely stands out on the market. She is well-prepared, has deep knowledge of the public sector and is an extremely skilled communicator."

"Mikala Berg Dueholm stands out as being a partner that can navigate both public and private clients and understands the needs of both parties. She makes complicated procurement law easily understandable, she provides stand out advice. Mikala has a sharp legal eye."

"Mikala Berg Dueholm and Trine Larsen are highly skilled, professional and very easy to work with. I can only recommend this firm."

"Partner Mikala Dueholm has a qualified, but at the same time solution-oriented approach to legal issues, which typically gives good results. In addition to the legal, Mikala Dueholm has a good general understanding of our industry, which increases the quality of her advice."

"DLA Piper always go the extra mile to deliver the highest possible professionalism and share the latest knowledge with their customers."

"DLA Piper is a very competent law firm. They have deep insight. The team is unique, solid, and all round. They are highly dedicated, outstanding collaboration, highly professional. They are understanding and patient."

Mikala Berg Dueholm is recognized by Chambers within 'Competition/European Law: Public Procurement' in Band 2.

"Mikala is straightforward and clear and incredibly efficient, but still pleasant to work with."

"Mikala is well prepared, has deep knowledge of the public sector and is an extremely skilled communicator."

"We are very pleased with her level of service and quality of advice."

"Mikala always provides a quick and friendly response, as well as explanations and help, which is really useful."

"Mikala Berg Dueholm is a competent legal adviser who is able to combine legal and commercial elements into very useful solutions."

Services



Public procurement



Public Private Partnerships



International Trade, Regulatory and Government Affairs



Municipal and Administrative Law



Public Sector



Litigation, Arbitration and Investigations



Litigation and regulatory

Government contracting



Real Estate