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1988: Doctoral Degree on international arbitration at University Hannover
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2003: Second State Exam in law, specializing in commercial law
Law background: Has practiced law since 2003
Cases willing to handle: Banking law, business law, business succession, capital markets law, civil law, commercial agency law, commercial law, commercial law of tenancy and lease, company law, competition law, construction law, contract law, copyright law, corporate criminal law, corporate law, debt collection, distribution law, employment law, family law, franchise law, insolvency law, insurance law, intellectual property law, international law, internet law, IT law, law of succession, leasing law, litigation, media law, M&A, real estate and property law, tax law, trade and industry law, trademark law, transportation law
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Law background: Has practiced law since 1993 in Hamburg, Lüneburg, and Lübeck  
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