

Thomas Ryhl

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About

Description

Thomas is a partner in our EU, Procurement, and Competition Law team. He typically advises large, international corporations on EU-based law. He is both highly specialized and broadly oriented, recognized as a top attorney in his field, handling some of the largest and most complex cases.

With a combination of passion, business knowhow, and deep legal expertise in competition law, procurement law, EU law, and IP law, Thomas delivers advice to his clients at the highest level.

Thomas has particular experience in regulatory matters within life sciences, healthtech, food, capital markets, and financial services. He has led complex negotiations with authorities, handled numerous high-profile court cases before the European Court of Justice as well as all Danish courts and complaints boards, and has also represented the European Commission in cases against the Kingdom of Denmark before the European courts.

Thomas is recognized by various ranking agencies as a leading specialist in his field. Notably, in 2016, he became the youngest Danish attorney to be accepted into Legal 500's Hall of Fame in the category of 'EU, Competition and Public Procurement'.

With Thomas on your side, you will have an experienced advisor who combines his deep legal insight with business understanding and industry expertise.

Background

Milestones

Danish Supreme Court, 2015
Danish High Court, 1998
Admitted to the Danish Bar, 1998
Master of Laws, University of Copenhagen, 1995
Bachelor of Laws, University of Copenhagen, 1994
Bachelor in Cultural Sociology, University of Copenhagen, 1985

Activities

Frequent lecturer at conferences and courses for attorneys on EU law and administrative law topics
Member of the Danish Association for Competition Law
Member of the Danish Association for European Law
Member of the Danish Association for State Aid Law
Member of the Danish Association for Public Procurement Law
Member of the Danish Society for Insurance Law
Member of the Copenhagen Bar Association
Member of the American Bar Association (Section of Antitrust Law)
Member of the Pharmaceutical Trade Marks Group

Publications

Author of several chapters in *EU-Karnov* since 2003 (8th edition), including chapters on the fundamental principles of the treaties and intellectual property rights. Most recently (22nd edition, 2024), authored six chapters on:

- Public health and medicinal products
- Harmonization, including tobacco advertising and technical regulations
- Trans-European networks (telecommunications, transport, and energy)

- Research, development, and space
- Transport
- Industrial policy

Languages

Scandinavian languages
English
German
French
Italian
Spanish
Portuguese
Icelandic
Russian

Rankings

Legal 500 Hall of Fame 2026

- Legal 500 Hall of Fame

"Thomas Ryhl is exceptional in his approach. Not only is he always responsive but he is also very much in tune with the needs of the customer. He is also a leading individual not only in Denmark but also in the larger region of Nordic and Europe within his field."

- Legal 500

"Thomas Ryhl has unique experience with EU competition law. At the same time, he has extensive knowledge of the Danish competition authorities and how they work, which strengthens the strategy to be adopted in a given competition case. He is thorough and precise in his work."

- Legal 500

"Thomas Ryhl is the driving force who made us choose them as our law firm. He has a unique ability to familiarise himself with our issues and in tender cases has an ability to provide extraordinary advice in EU cases at a level not often seen in the industry."

- Legal 500

"We would like to highlight Thomas Ryhl in particular"

- Legal 500

> It is about engaging deeply, understanding the clients' business and concerns, and taking responsibility for their challenges as if they were my own.

What does 'Your business. Our personal commitment.' mean to Thomas?

Areas

- EU- and Competition Law