



# Barbara Müller

## Member

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Barbara's practice is focused on mergers and acquisitions, as well as general corporate and commercial law matters.

She represents her clients in a variety of matters, including acquisitions, joint ventures, the negotiation of supply and distribution agreements, as well as operational issues such as corporate formation, tax reorganizations, business licensing and registration, and compliance.

Barbara holds law degrees in both Germany and the United States making her uniquely qualified to assist U.S. companies entering the German market and German companies expanding to the U.S. market. She was responsible for the acquisitions of German companies by U.S. clients and the related agreements, such as employment and lease agreement. Similarly, Barbara was in charge of acquisitions of U.S. manufacturing companies by German clients. In addition, she has successfully facilitated the resolution of a number of diverse U.S.-German issues her clients faced, such as the enforcement of German judgments in the United States, the defense against temporary restraining orders in the United States or Germany, and the representation of a German client in connection with a federal antitrust investigation by the U.S. Department of Justice.

Barbara graduated from the University in Bonn, Germany, in 1987 and worked as a law clerk in various areas before she finished her German legal education in June 1990 with honors. In Germany, Barbara focused on European legal and business issues. Before she came to Minnesota in 1996, she was chief of the division in the Department of European Affairs in the German state of Hesse.

Since 2016, Barbara also serves as Honorary Consul of Germany for Minnesota, the Dakotas, and three western counties of Wisconsin.

## Experience

Represented Eurofins Scientific SE and its subsidiary EAG, Inc. in their acquisition of the stock of Nanolab Technologies, which delivers advanced materials and analytical solutions to a technology market comprised of equipment suppliers, original design manufacturers, and original equipment manufacturers. This transaction drew on the experience of Cozen O'Connor's corporate, tax, antitrust, and commercial litigation attorneys.

Represented Eurofins Scientific SE in its \$670 million acquisition of Covance Food Solutions from Laboratory Corporation of America Holdings (LabCorp). The transaction drew on the experience of Cozen O'Connor's corporate, litigation, employee benefits and executive compensation, intellectual property, antitrust, and utility, environmental and energy attorneys.

Advised Attis Industries, Inc. on a Second Amended and Restated Credit and Guaranty Agreement by and among the company's direct and indirect wholly-owned subsidiaries, Attis, and Goldman Sachs Specialty Lending Group, L.P. The transaction was a take-out of approximately \$110 million in debt with a new credit facility of \$8.2 million and drew on the experience of the firm's corporate, real estate, and commercial litigation attorneys.

Represented Eurofins Scientific SE in the acquisition of EAG Laboratories from affiliates of Odyssey

## Practice Areas

- Mergers & Acquisitions
- Corporate
- International
- Offshore Wind Energy

## Education

- Hamline University School of Law, J.D., *summa cum laude*, 1998
- Appellate Court in Düsseldorf, Germany, Second Law State Exam, 1990
- Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-Universität Bonn, Germany, First Law State Exam, 1987

## Bar Admissions

- Minnesota

## Affiliations

Minnesota State Bar Association

Hennepin County District Bar Association,  
International Business Law Section and  
Business Law Section

German-American Law Association

Chief of Division, Department of European  
Affairs of Hesse, Wiesbaden/Germany, 1993-  
1996

Assistant to General Secretary, German  
Section of the Council of  
European Municipalities and Regions, 1990-  
1993

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Investment Partners. The transaction is valued at \$780 million on a cash-free, debt-free basis and includes EAG's 21 laboratories in 18 locations around the world, including subsidiaries in the United States and six other countries. This significant transaction drew upon the experience of the firm's corporate, international, antitrust, tax, real estate, transportation and trade, employment, and benefits attorneys.

Represented a subsidiary of Eurofins Scientific S.E. in its acquisition of DiscoverRx, Inc., a service provider in the drug discovery, screening, and life science markets.

Represented an international supplier of automotive parts in connection with a federal antitrust investigation. We convinced the U.S. Department of Justice to drop the investigation without any charges filed against the client.

Represented a Germany entity in its acquisition of a 45 percent ownership interest in a leading U.S. corporation in the personal protective equipment industry.

Represented a leading laboratory testing company in its \$11 million purchase of a donor eligibility and microbiology testing laboratory.