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EXPERIENCE

- 2021 – *General Counsel, Alecta, Stockholm*
Head of legal department at the largest occupational pension fund in Sweden with 2.6 million private customers and 35,000 commercial customers.
- 2018 – 2021 *Head of Legal Sweden, If P&C Insurance Ltd, Stockholm*
Manager of combined corporate and insurance legal departments at If P&C Sweden, largest p&c insurer in Scandinavia, 3.6 million customers, 4.5 billion Euro turnover. Leading a team of 16 legal professionals responsible for litigations, corporate, business and insurance law.
- 2015 - 2021 *Senior Vice President, If P&C Insurance Ltd, Stockholm*
- 2012 - 2018 *Head of Corporate Legal Sweden, If P&C Insurance Ltd, Stockholm*
Manager of corporate legal department with responsibility for general corporate & business law, regulatory, M&A, tax, investments, board secretariat.
- 2010 - 2012 *Head of Liability Claims Sweden, If P&C Insurance Ltd, Stockholm*
Manager of liability claims department, 20 lawyers handling liability claims and litigation on behalf of commercial and industrial customers in Sweden, Europe, Asia and the USA.
- 2008 - 2010 *Senior Legal Counsel, If P&C Insurance Ltd, Stockholm*
Responsible for general corporate law, business law, M&A, IT, competition law, international insurance disputes.
- 2003– 2008 *Advokat, Associate, Mannheimer Swartling law firm, Stockholm*
Member of dispute resolution practice group with wide experience as counsel in Swedish commercial litigations and as both counsel and secretary in Swedish and international arbitrations.
Member of banking and insurance practice group with experience of corporate financing transactions as well as advising on wide range of financial services regulatory issues.
- 2006 *Legal Counsel, Arbitration Institute of the Stockholm Chamber of Commerce (secondment from Mannheimer Swartling)*
Administration of Swedish and international arbitrations, secretary of the rules committee which drafted the new SCC Arbitration Rules 2007, general legal advice to members, legal opinions on draft legislation.
- 2001 – 2003 *Legal Research Officer, Office of the Attorney General, Ireland*
Assistant legal adviser to the Irish government and parliamentary draftsmen in areas of administrative law, public procurement, human rights law, constitutional law, EU and competition law, public international law.
- 2000 *Trainee, A&L Goodbody Solicitors, Dublin, Ireland*
Trainee, Matheson Ormsby Prentice Solicitors, Dublin, Ireland

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2007 - 2021	<i>Stockholm University</i> Part-time lecturer in Business Law, Tort Law, Legal Theory & International Lawyering
2007	<i>Stockholm University</i> Part-time lecturer on International Investment Disputes
1998 – 1999	<i>CEF Language School, Linz, Austria</i> Teacher of English as a foreign language

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

2019 –	Board Member, Arbitration Institute of the Stockholm Chamber of Commerce
2020 – 2021	Member of the Board of Directors of If Livförsäkring AB
2018 – 2021	Chairman of the Board of Directors of If Services AB
2016 – 2018	Member of the Board of Directors of If Services AB
2015 – 2016	Member of the Rules Committee of the Arbitration Institute of the Stockholm Chamber of Commerce
2012 – 2019	Secretary to the Board of Directors of If P&C Insurance Ltd (publ)
2013 – 2018	Mentor, Swedish Association of Inhouse Counsel's mentorship programme
2007	Secretary to the Rules Committee of the Arbitration Institute of the Stockholm Chamber of Commerce

MEMBERSHIP

- Swedish Association of Inhouse Counsel (2008-)
- Swedish Bar Association (2006-2008)
- Young Arbitrators Stockholm (2005-2017)
- The Bar of Ireland (2003-)

EDUCATION

2008 – 2021	<i>If P&C Insurance Ltd</i> If Leadership Programme 2 (Oxford Leadership Academy) UGL (Understanding Group and Leader) If Candidate Management Programme If Project Management Programme
2005 – 2006	<i>Stockholm University</i> Swedish law conversion course for EU lawyers
2001 – 2003	<i>The Honourable Society of Kings Inns, Dublin</i> Barrister at Law Degree, First Class Honours, scholarship for first place in Final Irish Bar Exam 2003.
1996 – 2000	<i>Trinity College Dublin</i> Degree in laws and German – LLB (Ling.Germ), First Class Honours
1998 -1999	<i>Johannes Kepler Universität, Linz, Austria</i> Socrates Exchange Programme