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Leif has nearly 20 years of experience in national and, in particular, complex international real estate arrangements, including real estate portfolio and fund investments as well as sale and leaseback arrangements. He represents international, Nordic, and Finnish real estate funds, key investors, and private and public companies.

Leif is a graduate of the University of Helsinki, and he also holds a Master's Degree in Law from Georgetown University in Washington D.C., USA. Leif is a member of the Finnish Bar Association and has also been admitted as a member of the New York State Bar Association.

Rankings

The Legal 500

- Real Estate and Construction



The Legal 500

“Leif Laitinen is our long-term trusted adviser. He treats his clients and colleagues extremely well and takes everybody into consideration. He provides a high level of availability. We highly recommend him.”

“Leif Laitinen is highly experienced. He is an efficient and likable negotiator who likes to stick to the things that matter for the client.”

“Real estate partner Leif Laitinen organises his team efficiently and makes everybody comfortable with the tasks at hand. Communication is very clear and efficient.”

Chambers Europe

- Real Estate

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“Leif is a calm, smart and experienced lawyer who is pleasant to work with. His focus is on essential matters and he is efficient and focus-oriented in negotiations.”

Mentions

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“Leif Laitinen is an excellent lawyer and negotiator. Leif is extremely good with his clients.”

Selected References

- Advised Tristan Capital Partners and Catella Asset Management Oy on the acquisition of a logistics centre in Espoo, Finland.
- Advises Cobbleyard Real Estate on the contemplated acquisition of Pohjoisesplanadi 19 [Uschakoff House].
- Advised Altaal and Avant Capital Partners on the acquisition of 142 premium rental apartments in Espoo.
- Advised UB Nordic Property Fund (AIF) on the sale of a R&D property in Sweden to Emilshus AB.
- Advised UB Asuntorahasto I Ky on its first acquisitions.
- Advised Corum Origin SCPI on the acquisition of a healthcare property in Helsinki.
- Advised WasaGroup on the sale of a grocery store project to Cibus Nordic.
- Advised Revelon in a property development project whereby it has agreed to dispose the shares in a real estate company to NCC Property Development Oy once the zoning process is finalised. *
- Advised Revelon on the acquisition of an office property located in Vantaa from Cromwell Property Group. *
- Advised a subsidiary of Pontos Group on the sale of a logistics property from its ReLog portfolio. *
- Advised WasaGroup Ltd on the sale of a new main rescue station constructed in Neulamäki, Kuopio to Nordisk Renting Oy. *
- Advised on the sale of an industrial target managed by Cobbleyard Real Estate to Ovaro Kiinteistösijoitus. *
- Advised Evli's investment fund Erikoissijoitusrahasto Evli Vuokratuotto II on its disposal of the shares in a real estate company Kiinteistö Oy Kiitorata. *
- Advised Cobbleyard Real Estate Oy on sale and land lease arrangements concerning the L3 Magazine Warehouse in Jätkäsaari. *
- Advised Trophi Fastighets AB (publ) on a retail property development project located in Muurame, Finland. *
- Advised Altaal AB and Avant Capital Partners Oy on the acquisition of an office property located in Aviapolis, Vantaa from Antilooppi. *
- Advised Taaleri Vuokrakoti fund on the acquisition of two rental properties to be built in Turku*.
- Advised Serena Properties AB, managed by Redito AB, on its acquisition of a development property from Ingka Centres. *
- Advised Avia Real Estate Ltd on the sale of a logistics asset located at Turku Airport to CapMan. *
- Advised Cibus Nordic Real Estate ABP on the acquisition of a grocery store in Finland. *
- Advised DEAS Asset Management, which advised a fund managed by abrdn, on a construction and leasing deal concerning the premises of the energy management company Eaton. *

- Advised Taaleri Daycare Properties Fund, a closed-end real estate fund established and managed by Taaleri, on the sale of ten daycare properties to Norwegian based Kinland V Finland Oy. *
- Advised Revcap and Cobbleyard on the acquisition of Duetto Park in Helsinki. *
- Advised Nyfosa Finland on its acquisition of a property in Tampere. *
- Advised Nordika and Avant on their acquisition of a mix-use property in Helsinki. *
- Advised Kemppi Group Oy on the acquisition of shares in a real estate company. *
- Advised Helsinki University Properties on the sale of a property in the Helsinki city centre to Hemsö. *
- Advised private property owner on the sale of a residential building right in the Kauklahti district of Espoo to Elo Mutual Pension Insurance Company, Avain Yhtiöt Oy and T2H Espoo Oy. *
- Advised Trophi Fastighets AB (publ) and Serena Properties AB, managed by Redito AB, on their acquisition of five retail properties in Finland. *
- Advised Avant Capital Partners on its disposal of a completed residential development to Catella Wohnen Europa Fund. *

*prior to joining Borenus

Career

- Partner, Borenus, 2024–
- Partner, HPP Attorneys, 2019–2024
- Founding Partner, Aleksandra Attorneys, 2016–2019
- Prior to that, Leif developed his practice at leading law firms, including a year at White & Case in New York.

Education

- Bar Admission, 2013, Finland
- New York State Bar, 2012, USA
- Master of Laws, 2010, Georgetown University, Washington D.C., USA
- Master of Laws, 2007, University of Helsinki, Finland

Languages

- Swedish, Finnish, English