

PERNILLE BIGAARD

ADVOKAT (H), PARTNER

Pernille er en af Danmarks mest erfarne insolvensadvokater og har bistået ved økonomiske rekonstruktioner og konkursbehandlinger af en lang række store danske virksomheder som bl.a. Sterling Airways A/S, Sterling Airlines A/S, Centerplan A/S, Sandgården A/S, O. W. Bunker A/S, Fona A/S, Arnold Busck A/S og ACT Global A/S..

Pernille er bredt anerkendt af de store internationale ratingbureauer som førende i Danmark inden for insolvens og rekonstruktioner. Hendes store erfaring og ekspertise gør, at hun ofte bliver valgt til at håndtere de mest komplekse sager i Danmark, bl.a. som nævnt som kurator i konkursboet efter OW Bunker, som er den største konkurs i Danmark i nyere tid.

Siden 1988 har Pernille haft møderet for Højesteret, og hun har ført flere markante retssager i relation til konkursramte og insolvente virksomheder.

Pernille var som dengang formand for Kuratorforeningen med til at stifte Foreningen af Danske Insolvensadvokater i 2004 og besatte formandsposten frem til 2018, var i en årrække formand for Advokatsamfundets Udvalg vedrørende Insolvensret og formand for Danske Advokaters Fagudvalg vedrørende Insolvensret. Derudover er Pernille tilknyttet Gældsstyrelsens Advokatpanel.

Pernille repræsenterer Danmark ICC's FraudNet, en verdensomspændende organisation specialiseret i Fraud og Asset Recovery.

Pernille taler engelsk og de skandinaviske sprog.

RATINGS / CERTIFICERINGER

- Pernille Bigaard is listed in Women Leaders Guide – IFLR1000 (2020)
- Leading Lawyer (Market Leader) as regards Restructuring and Insolvency – IFLR1000 (2020)
- Certificeret insolvensadvokat af Danske Insolvensadvokater
- Pernille Bigaard is listed as a leading individual as regards Insolvency – The LEGAL 500 Series (2019)
- Pernille Bigaard is ranked as a leading individual (Band 1) as regards Restructuring/ Insolvency. Interviewees report that Pernille Bigaard “has a huge knowledge of distressed, corporate workout and bankruptcy cases.” Another source describes her as “very skilled.” She boasts long-standing expertise in the insolvency area, with experience in bankruptcy proceedings in sectors including shipping, retail and pharmaceuticals – Chambers Europe (2019)
- Pernille Bigaard is listed as a Leading Lawyer (Market Leader) as regards Restructuring and Insolvency – IFLR1000 (2019)
- Pernille Bigaard is listed in Women Leaders Guide – IFLR1000 (2019)

- Pernille Bigaard has in January 2018 been inducted into the Legal 500's Hall of Fame for her continuous excellence within the practice area: Commercial, Corporate and M&A. Before 2018, the Hall of Fame only featured leading lawyers from the US. – The LE
- Pernille Bigaard is listed as a leading individual (Band 1) as regards Restructuring/Insolvency.
- Pernille Bigaard is praised for her involvement in large-scale Danish insolvencies. She is a well-regarded trustee, and frequently advises clients in the financial sector on insolvency issues. Interviewees say: "She is an experienced insolvency lawyer; there are no uncertainties". (2017)
- Pernille Bigaard is listed as a leading individual as regards Insolvency. (2017)
- Pernille Bigaard is listed as a Leading Lawyer as regards Restructuring and Insolvency (Financial and Corporate 2017).
- Pernille Bigaard is ranked as a leading individual (Band 1) as regards Restructuring/Insolvency. Peers describe Pernille as "one of the most experienced trustees in Denmark". She receives significant plaudits as administrator in large-scale insolvencies. (2016)
- Pernille Bigaard is listed as a leading individual as regards Insolvency and Restructuring. Plesner's practice is led by the well-regarded Pernille Bigaard. (2016)
- Pernille Bigaard is listed as a Leading Lawyer as regards Restructuring and Insolvency. (2016)
- Pernille Bigaard is listed as an expert with respect to Restructuring & Insolvency. (2016)
- Pernille Bigaard is listed as an expert with respect to Asset Recovery. (2016)
- Pernille Bigaard is listed as an expert within Insolvency and Restructuring (Women in Business Law). (2016)
- Pernille Bigaard is ranked as a leading individual (Band 1) as regards Restructuring/Insolvency by both Chambers Global and Chambers Europe. The "well-known" Pernille Bigaard advises on bankruptcy issues, especially in winding down businesses, and is noted for her expertise in asset recovery and criminal aspects. She has substantial experience in the real estate, aviation and recruitment sectors. (2015)
- Pernille Bigaard is listed as a leading individual as regards Insolvency and Restructuring. (2015)
- Pernille Bigaard is listed as a Leading Lawyer as regards Restructuring and Insolvency as well as M&A. (2015)
- Pernille Bigaard is listed as a leading individual as regards Insolvency and Restructuring in the Banking, Finance and Transactional Law. (2015)
- Pernille Bigaard is ranked as a leading individual (Band 1) as regards Restructuring/Insolvency by both Chambers Global and Chambers Europe. She is a "driving force at the firm," say clients. She is a highly esteemed lawyer, with one market commentator describing her as "one of the outstanding lawyers in the practice". (2014)
- Pernille Bigaard is listed a leading lawyer as regards Restructuring and Insolvency. Clients are still full of praise for the team and Pernille Bigaard in particular. "She is clearly one of the most experienced lawyers in insolvency in Denmark," remarks one senior banking client, while another says: "Pernille is very visible and highly skilled with a lot of experience in the field of restructuring and insolvency. Her strongest attributes

are her expertise, accessibility and skills". (2014)

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- The Legal 500 Hall of Fame highlights individuals who have received constant praise by the clients for continued excellence. The Hall of Fame highlights, to clients, the law firm partners, who are at the pinnacle of the profession. In EMEA, the criteria for entry is to have been recognised by The Legal 500 as one of the elite leading lawyers for seven consecutive years.

KOMPETENCER

- Insolvens og rekonstruktion
- Erhvervsretlige forhold

ERHVERVSERFARING

2021 –

Partner, Skau Reipurth & Partnere Advokatpartnerselskab

2020

Partner, Sundgaard Advokater I/S

1989 – 2019

Partner, Plesner Advokatpartnerselskab

1986 – 1989

Advokat, Plesner Advokatpartnerselskab (tidl. O. Bondo Svane Advokatfirma)

1980 – 1986

Advokat, Kromann, Nørregaard & Friis (nu Kromann Reumert)

UDDANNELSE

1988

Møderet for Højesteret

1982

Møderet for Landsret

1980

Advokat

1977

Cand.jur Københavns Universitet

MEDLEMSKABER, HVERV OG UNDERVISNING

Medlemskaber

- 2004 – 2018 Formand for Foreningen af Danske Insolvensadvokater
- 2004 – 2007 Formand for Kuratorforeningen
- 2000 – 2009 Advokatrådets IT-udvalg
- 1997 – 2001 Formand for Insolvensretsudvalget, Advokatrådet
- 1997 – 1999 Advokatrådets Økonomiudvalg
- 1996 – 2000 Bestyrelsen for Københavns Advokatforening
- 1995 – 2001 Advokatrådet
- 1995 – 2001 Responsumudvalget
- 1995 – 1999 Kontaktudvalget mellem Dommerforeningen og Advokatsamfundet
- 1995 – 1999 Etikudvalget
- 1995 – 1997 Udvalget vedr. Unge Advokater

Hverv

- Certificeret Insolvensadvokat, Foreningen af Danske Insolvensadvokater

Undervisning

Gennem en årrække har Pernille undervist i rekonstruktion af kriseramte virksomheder.

PUBLIKATIONER

Via sit tidligere medlemskab af Advokatrådet og sit formandskab for Advokatrådets Insolvensretsudvalg har Pernille deltaget i udarbejdelsen af flere rapporter om insolvensret.