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BIOGRAPHICAL DATA

Mihaela MARAVELA
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Nationality: Romanian

EDUCATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

Arbitrator listed at the Court of International Commercial Arbitration attached to the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Romania;
Listed as practitioner in International Arbitration by the Vienna International Arbitral Center;
National Institute for Lawyers, Bucharest, Romania, 2005 – 2006;
Admitted: Bucharest Attorney Bar, 2005;
Post-graduate courses on Private Law, Bucharest University, Faculty of Law, Bucharest, Romania, 2003 – 2004;
B.A., Bucharest University, Faculty of Law, Bucharest, Romania, 1999 – 2003;

LANGUAGES

Romanian, English, Spanish

PRESENT POSITION

Partner, Maravela Codescu Buliga Attorneys at law, since March 2021.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE BEFORE PRESENT POSITION

Partner, Mihaela Maravela Law Office, February 2020 – March 2021;
Associate Editor, Kluwer Arbitration Blog, January 2020 – January 2021;
Assistant Editor, Kluwer Arbitration Blog, April 2019 – January 2020;

June 29, 2021

Senior Partner Lawyer, Leaua, Damcali, Deaconu, Paunescu & Asociatii, LDDP, (formerly known as Leaua & Asociatii), Law firm, 2008 – January 2020;
Senior associate, “Tanasescu, Leaua, Cadar & Asociatii” Law firm, 2006 – 2008;
Associate, “Badea Asociatii in association with Clifford Chance” Law firm, 2004 – 2006;
Trainee, “Turcu&Turcu” Law firm, 2003 – 2004.

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Intellectual property, International commercial arbitration, Investment arbitration, Merger & Acquisitions;
Experienced lawyer in arbitration, acting as counsel under the ICSID Rules, ICC Rules, UNCITRAL Rules and CICA-CCIR Rules. Acting arbitrator under the CICA-CCIR Rules.

MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL BODIES

Member, Bucharest Bar Association, Romania.
Trademark attorney with the Romanian PTO.

EXPERIENCE IN INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Granting consultancy and drafting various types of contracts in the field of intellectual property law, such as trademark license agreements, research and development agreements;
Granting consultancy to various clients with respect to the use of trademarks, the conflict between commercial names and trademarks, and domain name disputes;
Drafting cease and desist letters on behalf of various trademark owners, drafting criminal complaints on behalf of the trademark owners for sanctioning counterfeiting actions;
Drafting challenges with the Romanian trademark registration authority in the process of trademark registration;
Drafting various claims for protecting trademark owners, including counterfeiting claims, drafting various claims for cancellation of trademarks registered in bad faith by third parties, or for notoriety of a trademark, claims for cancellation for failure to use of a trademark;
Represented various clients in front of the Romanian competent authorities (the Romanian State Office for Trademarks and Inventions, the Romanian courts of law, the Romanian police authorities) for protecting their trademark rights.

EXPERIENCE WITH RESPECT TO DOMAIN NAMES

Attended WIPO Advanced Workshop on Domain Name Dispute Resolution: Update on Practices and Precedents, Geneva, Switzerland, October 18 – 19, 2007;
Author of “*Conflict between trademarks and domain names*” presented at the Bucharest University, Faculty of Law, Bucharest, Romania, 2003.

MAJOR PUBLICATIONS

Articles, reports:

Author at mcblaw.ro blog with a focus on IP and domain name issues;
Author of “Applicable Law in Domain Name Arbitrations”, in Romanian Arbitration Journal, no. 1/2021;
Coauthor of the book “*Arbitration in Romania*”, Wolters Kluwer, 2016, author of the chapter concerning the solving of internet domain name disputes in .ro area;
Coauthor of “*The new generic Internet domain names. Considerations from the practice of solving generic Internet domain name disputes under UDRP*”, edited by the Romanian Magazine of Intellectual Property Law no. 1/2017;
Coauthor of “*Practice of solving disputes deriving from breach of rights over trademarks by registration of .ro domain names by alternative means*”, edited by the Romanian Magazine of Intellectual Property

Law no. 1/2013, Bucharest, 2013;

Co-author of "*Brief submissions on the services of dispute resolution by alternative means provided by the Arbitration and Mediation Center of the World Intellectual Property Organisation in specific fields*", edited by the Romanian Magazine of Intellectual Property Law no. 3/2012, Bucharest, 2012;

Co-author of "*Internet domain names*", edited by the Romanian Magazine of Intellectual Property Law no. 1/2012, Bucharest, 2012;

Co-author of "*Breach of rights of third parties by registration of a domain name. Alternative means of solving disputes*" edited by the Romanian Magazine of Intellectual Property Law no. 2/2012, Bucharest, 2012;

Co-author of reports, as national Romanian correspondents for the Bielefeld University in Germany, contributing to the project "*EU Consumer Law Compendium, Update of the EU Consumer Law Acquis Database*", 2007 – 2012;

Co-author of "*Alternative procedures to solve disputes regarding internet domain names*", published in the Romanian Magazine of Arbitrage, edited by the Romanian Chamber of Commerce and Industry no. 1, January - March 2010;

Co-author of "*Domain name and its legal protection*", published in the Romanian Magazine of Arbitrage, edited by the Romanian Chamber of Commerce and Industry no. 4 of October – December 2009.

Conferences:

Visiting Lecturer at the Bucharest University Law School, for the class on 'Intellectual Property and Arbitration' on UDRP disputes within the School's LLM Programme 'International Commercial Arbitration', Bucharest, 2015 – 2020;

Delivered presentation on "*New Internet domain names: looming of a new practice of solving UDRP disputes*", at the International conference, XI Edition, Timisoara, Romania, 2016;

Delivered presentation on "*Considerations on sale of internet domain names. Case study*", at the National Conference of commercial law, Cluj, Romania, 2015;

Delivered presentation on "*Other alternative means of solving litigation in the field of intellectual property*", at the International Conference "Modern trends in international commercial arbitration", Bucharest, Romania, 2012;

Delivered presentation on "*Brief submissions on the services of dispute resolution by alternative means provided by the Arbitration and Mediation Center of the World Intellectual Property Organization in specific fields*", at the International Scientific Conference "Creativity Unifies the Planet", second edition, Constanta, Romania, 2012.

EXPERIENCE IN COURT LITIGATION

Represented clients in front of the Romanian courts of law in numerous intellectual property, commercial or civil cases.

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING IN MEDIATION AND ARBITRATION

Attended WIPO Arbitration Workshop, Geneva, Switzerland, October 16 – 17, 2007;

Attended training seminar on "*Introduction to International Arbitration*" organized by the LCIA Young International Arbitration Group, Bucharest, October 2006;

Attended conference on "*Mediation as an alternative dispute resolution method for solving domain name disputes*" organized by the International Development Law Organization (IDLO) Association Alumni Romania, Bucharest, September 2004.

EXPERIENCE IN MEDIATION

Assisted various clients in negotiations and disputes with third parties.
