

Curriculum Vitae

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Academic Qualifications:

*2024 Visiting Professor at Kyoto University
2022-2028 Visiting professor at Radboud University Nijmegen, Netherlands
2020-2026 Senior Research Fellow, Commercial Law Centre, Harris Manchester College, Oxford
2019-2021 Professor for International Insolvency Law at Radboud University Nijmegen, Netherlands
2019 Visiting Professor at National Taiwan University, Taipei
2015-2016 Robert S Campbell Visiting Fellow at Magdalen College Oxford
2010-2011 Robert S Campbell Visiting Fellow at Magdalen College Oxford
2005-2010 Vice Dean and Head of the Examination Office
1993-1994 Dean
1990-2022 Professor in Hamburg, Chair for General and Civil Procedure Law
1989 Professor in Bonn
1988 Habilitation (post doctoral thesis)
1984 Dr. iur. (law doctorate)
1982 Second State Examination
1980 First State Examination*

Professional career:

Academic: cf. above

*1990 offer of a chair at Cologne University
1994 offer of a chair at Tuebingen University
1994 offer of a chair at Goettingen University
2010 offer of a chair at Bonn University*

Judicial: Judge at the Upper State Court (Court of Appeal) in Hamburg (1992-1998)

Awards

*1990 Harry Westermann-Preis (Award for the book "Der Vergleich")
2020 Hamburger Lehrpreis (Teaching Award Hamburg)
2020 Wissenschaftspreis (Academic Award) ARGE Insolvenzrecht und Sanierung im Deutschen Anwaltverein
2023 Wissenschaftspreis (Academic Award) ARGE Insolvenzrecht und Sanierung im Deutschen Anwaltverein*

Memberships of Academic or Professional Bodies:

Academic Association for International Procedural Law, Member
Advisory Committee of the American Bankruptcy Institute, Member
Asian European Arbitration Center, Member
Association of the Teachers of Civil Law, Member
Association of the Teachers of Civil Procedural Law, Member
Association of the Teachers of Insolvency Law, Founder
Conference of European Restructuring and Insolvency Law (CERIL) [Member of the Board, by invitation only]
European Chinese Arbitrators Association
European Law Institute, Member
German Institution of Arbitration, Member
German Maritime Arbitration Association, Member
INSOL International and INSOL Europe, Member, Management and Academic Monitor of the EIR Case Register
Insolvency Law Academy/Insolvency Scholars Forum (India), Member
Insolvency Lawyers' Association (UK), Member

Languages:

German, English

Publication list: (selected publications)

Books

Grundzüge des Zwangsvollstreckungsrechts (Basics of Enforcement Proceedings), 1984
Der Vergleich (The Compromise), 1988
Werbung im Programm (Unfair Competition in the Media), 1988
Freiwillige Gerichtsbarkeit (Voluntary Jurisdiction), 2nd ed. 2002
Zahlungsverkehr in der Insolvenz (Payments and Insolvency Law), 2002
Handbuch des Insolvenzanfechtungsrechts (Handbook on Transactions Avoidance Law), 2006
Einführung in das Insolvenzrecht (Introduction to Insolvency Law), 11th ed. 2023 (translated into Chinese and Korean)
Allgemeiner Teil des Bürgerlichen Gesetzbuchs (General Part of the Civil Code), 4th ed. 2016 (translated into Chinese)
Die Rechtsstellung des Insolvency Practitioner (The legal position of the Insolvency Practitioner), 2011
Rescuing Companies in England and Germany, 2012
Principles of Cross-Border Insolvency Law, 2017
Die Verwalterauswahl (Choosing the Insolvency Practitioner), 2018
European Cross-Border Insolvency Law, 2nd ed. 2022
Harmonisation of Transactions Avoidance Laws, 2022
Corporate Insolvency Law, 2nd ed. 2023
Cross-Border Insolvency Law, 2023
Definition of Insolvency, 2025

Commentaries

Bürgerliches Gesetzbuch (Civil Code): Staudinger (§§ 145-163), 13. ed. 1996; further revisions 2003, 2010, 2015, 2020, 2025

GmbH-Gesetz (Limited Liability Companies Act): Bork/Schäfer (§ 64), 2010, 2012, 2015, 2019, 2022

Insolvenzordnung (Insolvency Code): Kübler/Prütting/Bork (vor § 129, 133, 134, Anh. I § 147 [transactions avoidance law and securities]), since 2010

The UNCITRAL Model Laws on Cross-Border Insolvency and on the Recognition and Enforcement of Insolvency-Related Judgments, Cheltenham, UK/Northampton, MA, USA, 2025, Art. 8, 22-24

Zivilprozessordnung (German Code of Civil Procedure): Stein/Jonas (§§ 38-127a), [21. ed. 1993/1994, 22. ed. 2003/2004, 23. ed. 2014/2015, 24. ed. 2023]

Articles

More than 300; selection from Articles in English:

The „Protective Umbrella Procedure“ – a New German Restructuring Tool, in: Insolvency Intelligence 25 (2012), 22-24

Creditors' Committees: An Anglo-German Comparative Study, in: Int. Insolv. Rev. 21 (2012), 127-141

The Scheme of Arrangement, in: International Insolvency Law Review 2012, 477-490

Recognising schemes of arrangement in Germany – Back to Square One, in: Insolvency Intelligence 26 (2013), 10-12

The Basic Issues of the Law of Reorganization, in: Law Review of Corporate Reorganization & Restructuring (Beijing) 3 (2013), 409-442

Transactions at an Undervalue – a Comparison of English and German Law, in: Journal of Corporate Law Studies 2014, 453-477

National Report Germany, in: Wessels/de Weijds (Hrsg.), International Contributions to the Reform of Chapter 11 U. S. Bankruptcy Code, The Hague 2015

Moratoria (or „Stays“) Under the New European Insolvency Regulation, in: Insolv. Int. 29 (2016), 1-5.

Will-Substitutes: The Perspective of Creditors in Germany, and England and Wales in: Braun/Röthel (eds.), Passing Wealth on Death, Oxford 2016, 267-281.

The Anti-Deprivation Rule as an Anti-Avoidance Rule (together with Martin Voelker) in: Insolv. Int. 29 (2016), 65-75.

Germanic Legal System

in: McCormack/Bork (Hrsg.), Security Rights and the European Insolvency Regulation, Intersentia, Cambridge/Antwerp/Portland, 2017, S. 173-312.

Brexit-Essay: Germany

in: Burdett (Hrsg.), The Implications of Brexit for the Restructuring and Insolvency Industry, London 2017, 51-54.

The European Insolvency Regulation and the UNCITRAL Model Law on Cross-Border Insolvency, in: Int. Insolv. Rev. 26 (2017), 246-269.

Preventive Restructuring Frameworks: A 'Comedy of Errors' or 'All's Well That Ends Well'?, in: Intern. Corporate Rescue 14 (2017), 417-426.

Principles of International Insolvency Law, in: Insolvency Intelligence 31 (2018), 83-88.

Debt Restructuring in Germany, in: European Company and Financial Law Review 2018, 503-515.

Reversal of Value Extraction Schemes: The German Perspective, in: Intern. Corporate Rescue 16 (2019), 153-158.

Clash of Principles: A New Approach to Harmonisation of Transactions Avoidance Laws?, in: Jennifer Gant (ed.), Party Autonomy and Third-Party Protection in Insolvency Law, Nottingham/Paris 2019, S. 179-192.

Value Extraction Schemes, in: Portuguese Law Review 4 (2020), 1-25.

Mitigating the Consequences of COVID-19: Response from Germany, in: Sharma/Shikka (eds.), COVID-19: Exploring The New Normal In Insolvency, Haryana (India) 2021, p. 27-36.

Pre-insolvency moratoria – a legal comparison, in: European Insolvency and Restructuring Journal 2021-9.

The European Perspective on Preventive Restructuring, in: *Themis*, anos XXI-XXII, n.os 36-37, 2020-2021: 97-110.

Sequana I: Struggling with section 423 of the Insolvency Act 1986, in: (2022) 31 *International Insolvency Review*, 8-22.

The Arbitrability of Insolvency-related Claims, in: [2022] *Lloyd's Maritime and Commercial Law Quarterly*, 356-362.

Arbitration in Insolvency, in: *European Insolvency and Restructuring Journal* 2022-5.

Exceptions to the binding force of a debtor's arbitration agreement on the Insolvency Practitioner, in: *EIRJ*-2023-3.

Pre-insolvency frameworks: Developments in the European Union, in: *International Insolvency Review* 33 (2024), 6-22.

Equity in German Private Law, in: *Acta Universitatis Carolinae Iuridica* 2/2024 (vol. LXX), 173-184.

Editor

Acta Universitatis Carolinae Iuridica (Charles University Prague, Member of the editorial board)

Archiv für die civilistische Praxis (AcP)

Bankruptcy Law Review (China, Expert Consultative Committee)

Commentary on the European Insolvency Regulation, 2nd ed., 2022

Commentary on the UNCITRAL Model Laws on Cross-Border Insolvency and on the Recognition and Enforcement of Insolvency-Related Judgments, Cheltenham, UK/Northampton, MA, USA, 2025

European Insolvency and Restructuring Journal (EIRJ; peer-reviewed online-journal)

Handbuch der Insolvenzanfechtung (Handbook on the Law of Transactions Avoidance)

Handbuch Insolvenzrecht (Handbook on Insolvency Law), 3rd ed. 2024

Handbuch Restrukturierung vor / in der Insolvenz (Handbook on Restructuring prior to / in Insolvency), 2024

Kommentar zum Familienverfahrensgesetz (Commentary on the German Code of Voluntary Jurisdiction), 3rd ed. 2018

Kommentar zum GmbH-Gesetz (Commentary on the Limited Liability Companies Act), 5th ed. 2022

KPB - Kommentar zur Insolvenzordnung (Commentary on the German Insolvency Code)

Security Rights and the European Insolvency Regulation

Stein, Kommentar zur Zivilprozessordnung (Commentary on the Code of Civil Procedure), 24th ed. 2024

(Turkish) Journal of Civil Procedure, Enforcement and Insolvency Law (MIHDER; Member of the editorial board)

Zeitschrift für Insolvenzrecht (KTS; Journal for Insolvency Law)

Zeitschrift für Restrukturierungs- und Insolvenzrecht (ZRI; Journal for Restructuring and Insolvency Law)

Zeitschrift für Wirtschaftsrecht (ZIP; Journal for Business Law – until 2019).