

**Lenka Štiková Gachová**

Partner

Lenka Gachová specialises in competition law, state aid and public procurement law.

She advises clients on cartel issues, abuse of dominance, merger control and state aid. Lenka represents clients in merger clearance proceedings and provides them with associated legal advice, represents businesses suspected of anti-competitive conduct, and advises clients on the competition aspects of their contemplated projects. She also frequently advises clients on compliance issues.

Before our law firm, she worked for eight years at the Czech Office for the Protection of Competition in various legal posts, inter alia as the director of the Manufacturing and Services Department, Competition Section, where she primarily focused on issues of dominance abuse and vertical agreements.

Projects

- representing three leading banking companies in merger clearance proceedings before the European Commission
- representing a distributor of audio-visual devices in administrative proceedings before the Czech Office for the Protection of Competition (NCA) in the matter of possible bid rigging agreement concerning the preparation and execution of projects
- representing a collective society in several investigations and subsequent administrative proceedings conducted by the Czech NCA in the matter of possible abuse of dominance
- comprehensive legal advice to the Czech Republic in investigations conducted by the European Commission in connection with possible state aid in the healthcare sector
- competition audit of a leading foreign manufacturer of food products
- day-to-day legal advice to a leading Czech financial services company, mainly on compliance issues and abusive conduct of undertakings
- day-to-day legal advice to a leading European petrochemical group, mainly on abusive conduct of undertakings and concentrations between undertakings
- representing a provider of postal services in administrative proceedings before the Czech NCA in the matter of possible abuse of dominance
- representing a provider of postal services in preliminary investigation and administrative proceedings before the Slovak Antimonopoly Office in the matter of possible abuse of dominance
- advising municipalities, and representing them before the Czech NCA, in a case of alleged distortion of competition by public administration bodies
- advising a major multinational group engaging in retail sale of food products and convenience goods, and representing it before the Czech NCA in the matter of alleged abuse of significant market power
- comprehensive legal advice to the Czech Republic in connection with an application for exemption of select energy operations from the obligation to award public contracts
- day-to-day advice to an international manufacturer of tobacco products, especially regarding compliance

Membership in professional associations

Czech Bar Association

Slovak Bar Association; European lawyer established in Slovakia since 6 March 2020

Languages

Czech, English

Education

Masaryk University, Faculty of Law, Brno (2002), Mgr. (Master of Laws)

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