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Chico Müssnich is a founding partner of BMA. He has unmatched experience in providing strategic advice in wide range of corporate matters and in highly complex M&A transactions.

Chico is active in both national and international arbitrations, and provides strategic advice

in hostile takeovers and corporate disputes. He has represented clients, all leaders in their

sectors, in historic transactions in Brazil in recent decades.

He is a former member of the Superior Court of Sports Justice for Soccer (STJD - Superior Tribunal de Justiça Desportiva do Futebol) from 2004 through 2012. He was also the National Reporter for the 2009 Brazilian Code of Sports Justice. He acts as arbitrator on the Court of Arbitration for Sport – CAS and was the lead attorney for the Local Organizing Committee for the 2014 FIFA World Cup Brazil. In 2016, he was the only Brazilian appointed as arbitrator to the CAS's ad hoc Division for the XXXI Olympic Summer Games in Rio de Janeiro. He is also the only Brazilian appointed to serve as arbitrator at the XXXII Olympic Summer Games in Tokyo in 2021.

In 2013, he was a member of the Brazilian Senate's Special External Commission, chaired by Justice Luis Felipe Salomão, which was formed to draw up the Arbitration and Mediation Bill. The bill, which became Law 13.129, reformed the Brazilian Arbitration Law in 2015.

In 2021, working with the Commission on Economic Development, Industry, Commerce and Services and other specialists, Chico helped to draft Law 14.195/2021, the "New Business Environment Law". He was particularly involved in the provisions dealing with multiple voting shares, resulting in an amendment to the Brazilian Corporations Law to expressly permit multiple voting share structures in Brazil.

He is the author of *Cartas a um Jovem Advogado* (Letters to a Young Lawyer) and *O Insider Trading in Brazilian Law* (Insider Trading in Brazilian Law).

Chico has lectured in Corporate Law at the law school of the Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio de Janeiro – PUC/RJ since 1981, and at the law school of the Fundação Getúlio Vargas – FGV since 2005. He has been visiting professor at the Vanderbilt Law School since 2010, where he lectures an International Mergers and Acquisitions course. He is currently finishing his PhD at Goethe Universität Frankfurt, dissertation on dual class shares. In addition he holds a Master in Law from the Fundação Getulio Vargas - FGV (2015) and an LL.M from Harvard Law School (1979) recognized as a Master in Law in Brazil.

Chico Müssnich is a Vice Chair of the Securities Law Committee of the International Bar Association and a member of the Editorial Board of M&A Lawyer.

Chico is a member of the Board of the Brazilian Symphonic Orchestra – OSB and of Inhotim, the world's largest open-air museum. Chico is also a board member of CEBRI – Centro Brasileiro de Relações Internacionais (Brazilian Center for International Relations) the most reputed think tank of Brazil.