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Louis Verstraeten advises and assists companies with concluding and terminating business contracts and with any related business litigation before all Belgian courts (in Dutch, French and German language proceedings) and arbitration institutes (in English). With his languages skills and international lawyer network he frequently works in crossborder cases for domestic and international clients in all economic sectors, with a preference for industry and logistics. He has ample experience in liability cases and can assist clients in technical discussions with court surveyors.

Louis developed a specialisation in insolvency law and advises clients on all aspects of insolvency risk, both on the creditor and the debtor side. He advises and assists midsize distressed companies with their reorganisation, via amicable, pre-pack or judicial reorganisation proceedings. He is frequently appointed as bankruptcy administrator by the Antwerp Enterprise Court. International insolvency cases are his nec plus ultra.

Louis is experienced in bringing difficult recovery cases to a good end, if needed by applying conservatory or executory attachment and seizure measures.

Clients testify in the Legal500 Directory: "Excellent client service, always available" – "an impressive lawyer and crisis manager who always knows what to do and say to calm things down" – "His advice is accurate and does not only cover legal matters, but also market insights and strategic issues" – "always delivers exceptional legal work" – "has a very pragmatic, down to earth approach, is solution-oriented and able to successfully navigate through complex files".

STUDIES & TRAINING

2016

Postacademic Training Bankruptcy Administrator and Liquidator – KU Leuven

1996 **Master in Law – KU Leuven (cum laude)**
Erasmus exchange – WWU Münster, Germany

1992 **Bachelor in Law – FUNDP Namur**

WORK EXPERIENCE

From 2006 till 2023 **Astrea Advocaten - Partner**

From 2002 till 2006 **Lawfort Advocaten (Bogaert & Vandemeulebroeke) Senior Associate**

From 1996 till 2002 **Buyle Dieryck Van Looveren Maingain - Associate**