

FOUR CARLES CUESTA LAWYERS LEAVE TO LAUNCH WHITEWELL | LEGAL

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The four lawyers who have left Carles Cuesta Abogados are Fco. de Borja Villacañas, Daniel

Rodríguez, Morad Maanan and Pablo Martínez who left the firm in February to start the founding process of Whitewell | Legal



Whitewell | Legal, currently composed of four professionals, expects to incorporate another four-five in the next 12 months and will be managed "horizontally", so to speak, without a visible managing partner at least so far. It will focus on the areas of Litigation, Arbitration & Mediation; Corporate/M&A; Insolvency & Restructuring; and Public Law & Regulated Sectors. According to the firm: "Our turnover target is to exceed €3-4 million/year from the fifth year onwards."

The matters in which they plan to act are Commercial Litigation, domestic and international Arbitration (mainly Construction Arbitration), Corporate Disputes, Commercial transactions in different sectors of activity (mainly telecommunications, real estate, entertainment, energy and services) as well as Refinancing and Restructuring of groups of companies.

Fco. de Borja Villacañas Boville has developed his professional career in several national law firms, such as Rodríguez Piñero y Cebrian, Grupo Vilde before Carles Cuesta. He specialises in Litigation and Dispute Resolution, as well as in Insolvency and Restructuring proceedings and Commercial transactions. He has been involved in Litigation before various courts and in numerous Insolvency and Restructuring proceedings involving national and international groups of companies and individuals. He also combines his professional activity with academic research and publication in different specialised media.

Daniel Rodríguez Galve has developed his professional career in several leading national and international law firms, such as Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer and Garrigues before Carles Cuesta. He combines his professional activity with academic publications, is a professor at the Universidad de Navarra and lecturer at the Madrid Bar Association (ICAM), and specialises in complex Commercial Litigation and Corporate Disputes, as well as intervening in Insolvency and Arbitration practice. He has been involved in a wide range of Litigation at all levels of court and has extensive experience in Arbitration with an international component.

Morad Maanan Tieb has developed his professional career in several leading international and national law firms, such as Clifford Chance, Roca Junyent and Carles Cuesta. He has been recognised as one of the "TOP 50 Iberian Lawyer Rising Stars" in Spain and Portugal (Iberian Lawyer, 2020) and combines his professional activity with teaching in some of the main Spanish universities such as CEU San Pablo, Universidad de Navarra and ISDE Law Business School, among others. He specialises in M&A and Corporate Law and also intervenes in Commercial Litigation and Corporate Disputes, as well as in Public Law & Regulated Sectors. In recent years he has advised on a number of relevant transactions due to the volume of the transaction and its sectors of reference, such as the acquisition of the Victoria Theatre by El Mago Pop and the sale of all the assets in the Valencian Community of the Flexicable group to Avatel Telecom, in which he was involved in leading the negotiation and closing of both operations.

Pablo Martínez Llorente, [who left the firm in February](#) - as firstly announced by Iberian Lawyer- to

start the founding process of the new law firm, has developed his professional career in several of the most prestigious international law firms, such as Uría Menéndez, Backer McKenzie, Hogan Lovells and Carles Cuesta. Throughout his career, he has been involved in numerous arbitrations, both national and international, administered by different institutions. He has also participated in the enforcement of arbitral decisions, in proceedings for the annulment of awards and in applications for interim measures in support of arbitration. In addition, he also acts in proceedings before the civil courts at all levels, including the filing of appeals in cassation and extraordinary appeals for procedural infringement before the Supreme Court.

Pictured, from left to right: Daniel Rodríguez Galve, Morad Maanan Tieb, Pablo Martínez Llorente and Fco. de Borja Villacañas Boville.