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## Education

Second State Exam, Dusseldorf Higher Regional Court, 2010

LL.M., Fordham University School of Law, 2008

First State Exam, University of Giessen, 2007

## Bar Admissions

Frankfurt am Main

## Languages

German

English

French

Caspar Schmelzer focuses primarily on capital markets transactions, advising clients in a variety of industries, including technology, automotive, consumer goods, financial and manufacturing.

Since joining Skadden, Mr. Schmelzer's experience includes advising:

- **Medigene** on its global cancer immunotherapy collaboration with BioNTech;
- **Silver Lake** in its strategic partnership and investment in German publicly listed company Software AG via the purchase of €344 million aggregate principal amount of subordinated unsecured convertible notes. This is the first PIPE by any U.S. technology investment firm in a German public company;
- Berenberg as sole global coordinator and joint bookrunner and Stifel as additional joint bookrunner in connection with a capital increase of **Pacifico Renewables Yield AG**;
- **SIGNA Sports United GmbH** in connection with its US\$3.3 billion initial public offering on the New York Stock Exchange as a result of the de-SPAC merger with Yucaipa Acquisition Corporation. The merger also included the acquisition of WiggleCRC Group;
- Deutsche Bank, Goldman Sachs and J.P. Morgan as joint bookrunners in the €842 million private placement of ordinary bearer shares and listing on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange of **ABOUT YOU Holding AG**; and
- **MorphoSys AG** in its:
  - US\$1.7 billion acquisition of Constellation Pharmaceuticals, Inc. and its related US\$2 billion financing from Royalty Pharma plc.;
  - U.S. IPO and dual listing of American depositary shares on Nasdaq; and
  - issuance of a US\$300 million development funding bond.

Mr. Schmelzer's experience prior to joining Skadden includes advising:

- **Siemens** in the spin-off and listing of Siemens Energy;
- **BAWAG Group** in its initial public offering;
- the underwriters in the listing and offering of **JOST Werke** by way of a private placement;
- **Schaeffler AG** as issuer's counsel in the listing and offering by way of a private placement;
- **Sixt Leasing AG** in its initial public offering;
- the underwriters in the initial public offering of **KION Group AG**;
- **VTG** in its €280 million rights offering;
- **Adidas** in its €500 million equity-neutral convertible bond;
- the underwriters in the €8 billion rights offering of **Deutsche Bank**;
- **thyssenkrupp** in its €1.4 billion capital increase;
- **Diebold** in its public takeover of Wincor Nixdorf AG;
- **Vonovia SE** in the placement of secondary and primary shares with a total volume of €500 million;
- **Deutsche Wohnen** in its public takeover of GSW Immobilien AG; and
- **Deutsche Annington Immobilien SE** (now: Vonovia) in its initial public offering.

Prior to joining Skadden, Mr. Schmelzer worked as a senior associate in the Frankfurt office of another law firm.