

Justine Markovitz

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Justine is chairperson of the firm and is a partner of the private client and tax team.

She focuses on advising private clients and financial institutions in relation to tax, trusts and estate planning. She also advises on wills and trust drafting matters as well as on international tax investigations. Justine became global chairperson of Withersworldwide in July 2019.

Justine concentrates on advising families on succession and governance issues. She works with those families to create structures and other legal solutions to implement their long-term succession plans both for their personal assets and their business interests.

Justine is an adviser to the family and trustees of their trusts on UK tax issues and trust structuring issues. The range of work covers investment in a start-up business, personal estate planning, UK tax planning in relation to trust distributions and structuring, advice on regulatory matters for an investment adviser to the trustees and family governance.

She joined Withers in 1999, moving to Geneva in September 2005 to become head of our Geneva office. In 2011, Justine became Head of Swiss Operations. In 2016, she was appointed joint divisional CEO of the global private client and tax team.

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ADMISSIONS

- England and Wales, 1996

PUBLICATIONS

'Law Firm Leaders: Withers' Justine Markovitz.' Law360, July, 2019

'Movers and Shakers: Markovitz to Chair Withers, and More.' The Deal, June, 2019

'Growing Withers Names Switzerland Partner Next Chair.' The American Lawyer, May, 2019

'Wake Up Call.' Bloomberg Big Law Business, May, 2019

MEMBERSHIPS

- Society of Trust and Estate Practitioners (Suisse-Romande branch), Vice President
- International Tax Planning Association
- Law Society of England & Wales

TALKS

STEP conference, Tel Aviv

EDUCATION

London Guildhall University, Law
University of Manchester, BA (Hons), History

LANGUAGES

ENGLISH
FRENCH

DATES

JOINED: 1999
PARTNER: 2004

RECOGNITION

Private Client Elite 2017	Chambers Europe Top ranked	2019 Global Elite Badge	2019 eprivateclient 50 Most Influential
2018 Chambers HNW Top Ranked	2017 Markovitz- BestLawyers	2017 ChambersHNW Justine Markovitz	2017 Chambers HNW Leading Individual - James Brockway
2016 Wealth Briefing Asia Awards Swiss Women in Wealth Management Justine Markovitz	2016 City Wealth Leaders List - Recommended	2016 Chambers HNW - Ranked In	2015 Legal 500 EMEA Recommended Lawyer
2015 Law firm of the Year Switzerland IFC Awards	2014 Legal 500 EMEA Recommended Lawyer	2014 Citywealth Powerwomen Leaders List Recommended	2014 Citywealth Leaders list Recommended
2014 Chambers Global Leading Individual	2014 Chambers Global Foreign Expert	2013 Citywealth Leaders list - Recommended	2012 Citywealth Leaders List - Recommended
2011 British Swiss Business awards winner			

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