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PRIOR PROFESSIONAL HISTORY

- **Dentons**

*Partner, Head of US Desk
Rome/Milan (2019-2020)*

- **DLA Piper**

*Head of US Practice,
Southern Europe and
MENA, Rome/Milan
(2012-2016)*

- **Shearman & Sterling**

*Managing Partner Italy,
Rome/Milan (2001-2011);
Head of Italian Desk,
London (1996-2000);
Latin American Team, New
York (1992-1995)*

- **Brookings Institution**

*Research Assistant to Prof.
Pietro Nivola, Washington
D.C. (1988-1989)*

EDUCATION

*Juris Doctor, Georgetown
University Law Center (1992)*

- Editorial Staff, *Journal of Law and Policy in Int'l Business*
- John M. Olin Scholar in Law and Economics

*B.A., International Political
Economy, Johns Hopkins
University (1988)*

- Phi Beta Kappa
- Varsity Soccer

BAR ADMISSIONS

New York

LANGUAGES

- English (native speaker)
- Italian (native speaker)
- Spanish (fluent)

SUMMARY PROFILE

Michael Bosco is the founder and principal of Bosco & Associates, an independent boutique international law and business consulting firm based in Rome, Italy. Before founding B&A, Michael spent more than 25 years working in international law firms, where he developed extensive experience in structuring and executing M&A, corporate finance and private equity transactions across Europe and MENA. His key engagements have included acquisitions, divestitures, joint ventures, IPOs, foreign direct investment transactions, privatizations and high-yield and leveraged financings, as well as the representation of sovereign wealth, private equity and real estate investment funds. Michael has advised on numerous complex and innovative transactions, including various market firsts, and has also acted in complex cross-border dispute resolution matters, internal investigations and cross-border insolvencies.

Michael has been consistently cited in *Chambers Global Guide to the World's Leading Lawyers for Business* (achieving Tier 1 status in both M&A and Capital Markets and being mentioned as a leading foreign lawyer in Libya), the *International Financial Law Review's Guide to the World's Leading Capital Markets Lawyers*, the International Bar Association's *International Who's Who of Capital Markets Lawyers*, *Legal 500* and *Best Lawyers in Italy*, among other market directories. Michael was a finalist for the *Top Legal Italian Lawyer of the Year* award in 2014 and for the *Top Legal Italian Corporate Lawyer of the Year* award in 2012.

Michael began his career at Shearman & Sterling LLP in New York in 1992 and moved to London in 1996. Michael later founded Shearman's Rome and Milan offices and served as the firm's Managing Partner for Italy from 2001 to 2011, growing the Italian practice from 2 to 32 lawyers during his tenure. After 20 years at Shearman & Sterling, Michael moved to DLA Piper LLP in 2012, where he served as the Head of US Practice for Southern Europe and MENA. Michael founded B&A in 2016 when he departed DLA Piper. During 2019 and 2020, Michael was briefly a partner in the Rome and Milan offices of Dentons LLP but returned to B&A in October 2020.

In addition to his longtime focus on U.S-Italy economic relations, Michael is also recognized as an expert on Libya. During 2012 and 2013, he served as Special Assistant to the Chairman of the Libyan Investment Authority on a half-time secondment basis, dividing his time among Rome, London and Tripoli. During this period, he acted as LIA's *de facto* general counsel for international affairs, working on numerous high-profile asset recovery and investment-related matters around the world. He currently serves as a member of the Advisory Board of the Libyan Centre for International Commercial Arbitration.

Michael is a frequent public speaker and the author of numerous articles and commentaries on legal issues.