

## Thomas Wetzel

### Of Counsel

Thomas Wetzel, a Certified Specialist SBA in real estate law, is a counsel of the Real Estate business group. He advises clients on private and public sector construction law issues and with regard to the purchase and sale of properties. As a long-standing board member for Swiss Prime Site AG and long-standing chair of the Investment Committee of the AFIAA Foundation for International Real Estate Investments, he shared responsibility for major real estate portfolios.

Thomas Wetzel is also a lecturer at the Center for Urban & Real Estate Management (CUREM), Zurich in the Department of Banking and Finance at the University of Zurich.

### Practice Areas:

Real Estate

### Functions:

Various board and foundation mandates in companies and foundations in the real estate and construction industry

### Career:

2003	Partner Wenger Plattner
1997	Partner Lawyers Office Diener & Wetzel, Küsnacht
1988	Intershop Holding AG, Zurich, most recently as the Deputy Chairman of the Executive Board
1986	Attorney at Law Frick & Frick, Zurich
1982	Secretary to the Supreme Court of the Canton of Schaffhausen
1981	Legal consultant in a smaller Trust office in Zurich - Oerlikon
1985	Admitted to the Bar of the Canton of Schaffhausen
1983	University of Basel (Dr. iur.)
1981	University of Zurich (lic. iur.)

### Selected publications:

- *Newsletter 2/17: Delusions and confusions surrounding Lex Koller*  
It was only in June 2014 that the Swiss Federal Parliament rejected motion 13.3975 calling for the 'reinstatement of Lex Koller authorisation for real estate used for commercial purposes' and motion 13.3976 calling for the 'abolition of the privilege allowing the acquisition of shares in real estate funds and listed real estate companies under Lex Koller'. Yet the Federal Council has insisted that some of these proposals should be implemented under a revised Lex Koller regime and initiated a consultation process on 10 March 2017. The consultation period runs until 30 June 2017.
- *Die Anwendbarkeit von Art. 8 UWG auf AGB in Mietverträgen (in German)*  
MietRecht Aktuell 1/2013, pp. 3 et seq.. (together with Grimm Michael and Dr. Mosimann Peter)



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### Admission:

Bar admission (1985)

### Qualification:

Certified Specialist SBA Construction and  
Real Estate Law

### Languages:

German, English, French

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- *Die Vereinbarung zur Zahlung von Schlüsselgeld: Ein nichtiges Koppelungsgeschäft (in German)*  
In: MietRecht Aktuell 1/2008, S. 1 ff. (zusammen mit Mesek Karin)
- *Shopping Centre Lease: A Pan-European Overview*  
In: International Council of Shopping Centers, 2008, pp. 115 et seq.
- *Von der Idee zur Rendite - Überlegungen zur Entwicklung von Immobilienprojekten (in German)*  
In: Baurecht 2007, pp. 137 et seq.
- *Grundstückwerb in der Schweiz durch Personen im Ausland - von der Lex Friedrich zur Lex Koller. Überblick über die Revision 1997 (in German)*  
Zürich 1998 (together with Geissmann Hanspeter and Huber Felix)
- *Wald- und Raumplanung (in German)*  
In: Schweizerische Vereinigung für Landesplanung (VLP), Publication Series no. 38, Spring 1985 (together with Aemisegger Heinz)
- *Raumplanung und Entschädigungspflicht (in German)*  
Schweizerische Vereinigung für Landesplanung (VLP), Publication Series no. 36, Summer 1983