

CHAMBERS EUROPE 2021 CHOOSES PINTÓ RUIZ & DEL VALLE

The prestigious directory *Chambers Europe 2021* included Pintó Ruiz & Del Valle amongst the elite of Spanish law firms for the eleventh consecutive year, therefore consolidating their presence in it and recognising our firm as one of the best in Sports and IP Law, Restructurations, and Dispute resolution.

Chambers highlights in Tier 1 (at the top of the ranking) our strong Sports Law team, led by **José Juan Pintó**—President of the firm—whose experience and deep understanding of the world of sports makes him the object of warm recommendations from colleagues and clients. *Chambers* notes that José Juan Pintó «receives praise from interviewees for his skills as arbitrator as well as for his experience handling disciplinary proceedings. He also represents clients in cases regarding non-payment of transfer fees, contractual issues and the imposition of sanctions». *Chambers* also highlights **Lucas Ferrer** and **Jordi López**, two of our partners. About **Lucas Ferrer**, manager of our sports law area, the directory declares that he «acts for clients on contentious mandates, offering representation before CAS in cases involving breach of contract and transfer payments. He also advises on contractual issues surrounding player transfers». About our managing partner **Jordi López** *Chambers* states that he «acts for both domestic and international football clubs, handling contractual issues, as well as disqualification proceedings». According to the directory, our team is known for its «standout cross-departmental practice occupying a market-leading position in legal matters concerning the sports industry. Offers a specialised expertise in the dispute resolution practice area, regularly representing clients in litigation and arbitration proceedings before relevant adjudicatory bodies. Also advises on employment contracts covering player transfers. Experienced handling international mandates, with notable clients in South America».

Chambers highlights our Industrial Property department recognizing their excellent reputation in the overall activities carried out in the Industrial Property sector. The directory makes a special mention to our partner **Eva Ochoa**, who is highlighted both in *Chambers Europe* and *Global Chambers* in Tier 3—therefore upgrading her 2020 ranking. Ochoa is widely valued by clients and peers, and *Chambers* states that «she provides suggestions for ways to avoid high costs but still achieve the right amount of success," says one client. "She is highly skilled

and respected," reports another impressed source, adding: "She takes great care in providing the best legal advice to her clients." Ochoa also handles trade mark oppositions or revocation actions».

In addition, *Chambers* gives prominence within the reorganisation/insolvency area to Restructuring and Insolvency department head **Carlos Noguera**, who receives superb praise throughout the market as a specialised insolvency practitioner who acts for both creditors and debtors. The directory says that he «is highly respected by clients, who highlight him as "a great professional with wide experience in the area." He assists international and domestic clients with debt refinancing and insolvency proceedings».