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## CHAMBERS EUROPE 2015 CHOOSES PINTÓ RUIZ & DEL VALLE

The prestigious directory *Chambers Europe 2015* included Pintó Ruiz & Del Valle amongst the elite of Spanish law firms for the fifth consecutive year, therefore consolidating their presence in sports and IP law, areas where the company already stood out in previous editions.

*Chambers* highlights the strength of our Sports Law team, led by Jose Juan Pintó, President and partner of Ruiz & Del Valle, whose experience and deep understanding of the world of sports make him the object of warm recommendations from colleagues and clients.

The name of José Juan Pintó is included amongst the 100 most important lawyers in Spain, and he is also referred to as one of 15 "star" lawyers in Spain. It all comes as recognition for the third consecutive year to the international prestige as well as the outstanding work and professionalism of José Juan Pintó in this area.

Our firm received a special acknowledgement in the field of conflict resolution in sport as well as in the legal advice provided to relevant clients, such as football teams and associations, sports organizations and especially football players. They all have been provided with legal advice in relation to matters such as signing, media or image rights. Sources of *Chambers* stated conclusively: "the firm does an excellent job providing advice for sports affairs." The publication considers José Juan Pintó an arbitrator and a lawyer with a "brilliant reputation both in football leagues and amongst football clubs" with a solid and loyal customer base in the world of football and highlights his position as a member of the Court of Arbitration for Sport (TAS-CAS) in Lausanne, where he acts as arbitrator.

Moreover, they mentioned that Lucas Ferrer, partner of Pintó Ruiz & del Valle, is considered by clients as a sports lawyer whose reputation is rising thanks to his previous experience as an advisor on the TAS-CAS and to his current work in the firm acting as the defender before the various sports institutions.

Finally, *Chambers* highlights our Department of Industrial Property recognizing their excellent reputation in the overall activities carried out in the Industrial Property sector. The publication reflects on the provision of legal advice globally across different markets, especially in the US and Europe, and makes particular reference to the prestigious customer base consisting of important companies in various sectors and leading brands, once again proving the strength and expertise of this department.

A special mention is given to Eva Ochoa, partner of Pintó Ruiz & del Valle, a highly valued lawyer by customers and colleagues, especially for the work she has done in the field of trademark protection and defence against possible violations. *Chambers* indicates that clients praise Eva Ochoa for her rapid response and for her knowledge, which are reflected in "her ability to explain the different courses of action simply and clearly."

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