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1 <b>Allen &amp; Overy Bratislava, s.r.o.</b> www.allenoverly.com	●					●					●					●					●					●				
2 <b>B &amp; S Legal s.r.o.</b> www.bslegal.sk																														
3 <b>Čechová &amp; Partners</b> www.cechova.sk	●					●					●					●					●					●				
4 <b>Hugyari, Kubovič &amp; Partners s.r.o.</b> www.hkplegal.sk						●					●																			
5 <b>Jaroslav Ružička Law Office</b> www.ccsconsulting.sk	●										●					●										●				
6 <b>Linklaters, s.r.o.</b> www.linklaters.com						●					●					●					●					●				
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9 <b>ULC Čarnogurský s.r.o.</b> www.ulclegal.com						●					●					●					●					●				
10 <b>Weinhold Legal, v.o.s. org.zložka Bratislava</b> www.weinholdlegal.com						●					●					●					●					●				
11 <b>White &amp; Case, s.r.o.</b> www.whitecase.com	●					●					●					●					●					●				

6	Hagyari, Kubovič & Partners s.r.o. www.hkpllegal.sk	Representing the publisher of the periodical with the national coverage in numerous litigation proceedings regarding protection	Providing complex legal services to the life insurance and pension asset management company	Representing the important institution in the area of capital markets in several litigation proceedings	Representing numerous pharmacies by collecting claims from health insurance companies	Providing legal counsel to various local and international companies in M&A, investment transaction, etc.
7	Linklaters, s.r.o. www.linklaters.com	CSFB/Slovak Government on the \$2.7bn SPP privatization.	Kia Motors, Hyundai Motors and Hankook Tire on the development and construction of their production plants in Slovakia, the Czech Republic and Hungary, respectively	Slovenské elektrárne/ENEL on completion of units 3 and 4 at Mochovce Nuclear Power Plant.	Abu Dhabi Investment Authority on the acquisition, financing and management of a portfolio of logistics and commercial investment properties in Slovakia.	The Lead Manager of a €500 million Floating Rate Notes Offering by Slovakia.
8	PETERKA & PARTNERS www.peterkapartners.com	Acquisition of the company Stredoslovenská vodárenská prevádzková spoločnosť, a.s. by Veolia Water. Approximate value of the transaction: €30 million	Assistance to a major international metal product manufacturer in its greenfield project in Slovakia.	Assistance to Leaf International, an international food producer, in its greenfield project in Slovakia.	Provision of comprehensive legal services for Swiss Re in the process of setting up and operating its services subsidiary in Bratislava, namely in the field of corporate, labour and RE law.	Legal assistance to Senoble, an important European fresh dairy producer including the merger of I. WITTMANN&SYN and Zvolenská mliekárň, a.s.
9	Squire Sanders www.ssd.com	Advising Tesco PLC, a UK-based retail company, in property, acquisition, including leasing, construction, permits and infrastructure network development.	Representing Slovenské Elektrárne, the country's dominant power producer, for over a decade, including the de-merger of its transmission and heating assets and over €2 billion financings.	Advising major operator of underground gas storage facilities in Slovakia on restructuring long-term gas storage contracts in keeping with Slovak and EU law, other work related to liberalization.	Representing an automobile producer in all relevant matters and on the acquisition of a greenfield for the largest investment in SR - construction of an automotive plant in Trnava.	NA
10	ULC Čarnogurský s.r.o. www.ulclegal.com	SAMSUNG Electronics Slovakia, s.r.o. - Complete legal advice related to key investment projects, commercial law, labour law and state aid	Rímskokatolícka cirkev Bratislavsko-trnavská arcidiecéza - Complete legal assistance related to the restitution of the immovable property nationalized by the Communist regime.	Istrobanka, a.s. - Active participation in the settlement of problematic loan through auctions and sale of companies and in provision of loans to new entities.	Slovenský plynárenský priemysel, a.s. - Representing the client in the lawsuit concerning the promissory note.	Ministry of Economy SR - Complete legal services related to the process of privatisation of the company Západoslovenská energetika, a.s.
11	Weinhold Legal, v.o.s, Bratislava www.weinholdlegal.com	Realizing projects in which Accenture was provider of outsourced services, advising on outsourcing related to the establishment of a Slovak petrochemical company; founding a subsidiary	Services during the privatization of Slovenské Elektrárne including preparing transactional documents and negotiating with the Ministry of Economy and FNM.	Assisted a French company acquire 6 quarries and receive transfer of mining authorization. Advising included negotiation support and resolution of ownership-related issues.	Established joint venture for first low-cost air carrier in Central Europe; increased registered capital by new investor; negotiated change of shareholder and final sale of shares.	Services and advice on the establishment of a joint-venture by Rautenbach, a German firm active in the automotive production area, and a Slovak company in the foundry industry.
12	White & Case, s.r.o. www.whitecase.com	PSA Peugeot Citroën - €400 million investment in its new manufacturing car plant in Trnava.	Slovak Republic - the issuance of €1 billion fixed 4.4% notes due in 2017.	Privatization of VÚB, a.s.(acquired by Intensa BCI of Italy for €550 million) and Slovenská sporiteľňa, a.s.(sold to Erste Bank of Austria for €425 million)	Allianz AG - acquisition of a 67% stake of Slovenská Poisťovnía, a.s. from the National Property Fund for €145 million.	KBC/ČSOB €150 million real estate financing of construction of "River Park" project in Bratislava