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BIOGRAPHY

Nicola Fiordalisi's practice concentrates on the areas of corporate finance, mergers-acquisitions, joint-ventures and general corporate law as well as on international strategic planning and business growth.

Mr. Fiordalisi has advised hundreds of Italian based companies on the planning and establishment of their U.S. manufacturing and sales operations. He has also counseled multicultural corporations in cross-border mergers, acquisitions and venture capital transactions.

Mr. Fiordalisi has worked closely with both Italian and American clients in structuring their financial, commercial and investment transactions, mainly in the area of manufacturing, energy and biotechnology.

He is frequently asked to serve as an international arbitrator by the American Arbitration Association and the International Center for Dispute Resolution. He is an author and speaker on topics of international trade and the legal aspects of doing business in Italy and the United States. Mr. Fiordalisi is also an adjunct law Professor at Chicago Kent College of Law (LLM Programs) as well as at Loyola University School of Law (JD and LLM Programs) where he teaches "Strategic Counseling to International Clients".

Mr. Fiordalisi serves as an Honorary Legal Adviser to the Italian Consul General of Chicago and as Honorary Legal Counsel to the Italian Trade Commission of Chicago. He is a former member of the Board of Directors of the Consiglio Generale degli Italiani all'Estero (CGIE) headquartered at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Rome, Italy. Licensed to practice in the United States and in Italy, Mr. Fiordalisi received a Juris Doctor both from the University of Bologna and Loyola University Chicago School of Law.

In 2015, Italian President Giorgio Napolitano conferred upon him the title of Knight of the Order of Merit of the Italian Republic.

SPOKEN LANGUAGES

- Italian

ADMISSIONS

- New York, 2007
- Illinois, 1994
- Italy, 1991

EDUCATION

Loyola University Chicago, J.D., 1993

Università di Bologna, J.D., 1988

RELATED PRACTICE AREAS

- M&A & Corporate Finance
- Private Equity
- Anti-Bribery & Corruption
- Corporate

- Litigation & Dispute Resolution
- Regulation, Compliance & Advisory
- Securities Litigation and Enforcement

RESOURCES

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Turin Chamber of Commerce – US Business Forum, November 2015. Speaker: *“Agency and distribution agreements in the US. Strategic consideration, pitfalls and planning of product liability exposure.”*
- UNINDUSTRIA BOLOGNA, May 2013. Roundtable with Companies of the Emilia Romagna area about “Doing Business in the United States”.
- Connecting with Italian Biotech: New Policies, New Opportunities, Italian Trade Commission, Assobiotec, Federchimica – “Inbound-Outbound Financing,” 2009 (Atlanta, Georgia)
- The University of Texas Health Science Center, in partnership with Italian Trade Commission, Nanotech IT, Airi – In Italy, Nanotechnology is a Priority – “U.S. and Italy Landscape, Business Environment and Opportunities,” 2009 (Houston, Texas)
- Confindustria Bergamo, Camera di Commercio Industria, Artigianato & Agricoltura, A.S.S.I.S.T. srl (Bergamo) – “Il Percorso Ideale dell'Impresa Italiana nel Processo di Internazionalizzazione Verso gli USA” (The ideal path for an Italian company in the process of going international in the USA). Sponsored by the State of Illinois European Office, May 2006
- La Camera di Commercio di Napoli e il Consolato degli Stati Uniti d'America (Napoli) – “Il Percorso Ideale dell'Impresa Italiana nel Processo di Internazionalizzazione Verso gli USA” (The ideal path for an Italian company in the process of going international in the USA). Sponsored by the State of Illinois European Office, May 2006
- Unione Parmense degli Industriali (Parma) – “Il Percorso Ideale dell'Impresa Italiana nel Processo di Internazionalizzazione Verso gli USA” (The ideal path for an Italian company in the process of going international in the USA). Sponsored by the State of Illinois European Office, May 2005
- Regione Marche (Ancona) – “Il Percorso Ideale dell'Impresa Italiana nel Processo di Internazionalizzazione Verso gli USA” (The ideal path for an Italian company in the process of going international in the USA). Sponsored by the State of Illinois European Office, May 2005

- Assindustria Rimini (Rimini) – “Espansione commerciale e produttiva negli USA” (Commercial and produttiva expansion in the USA). Sponsored by the State of Illinois European Office, June 2004
- Assindustria Modena (Modena) – “Espansione commerciale e produttiva negli USA” (Commercial and produttiva expansion in the USA). Sponsored by the State of Illinois European Office, June 2004
- Assindustria Pesaro (Pesaro) – “L'Impresa Italiana Negli USA” (Italian companies in the USA). Sponsored by the State of Illinois European Office, June 2003
- Treviso Glocal (Treviso) – “L'Impresa Italiana Negli USA” (Italian companies in the USA). Sponsored by the State of Illinois European Office, June 2003
- Il Centro Studi “Il Ponte delle Idee” (Messina) – “L'impresa italiana negli Stati Uniti e le opportunità del momento” (Current opportunities for Italian companies in the U.S.), October 2002
- Assolombarda (Milano) – “L'Impresa Italiana negli USA” (Italian companies in the USA) (September 2002)
 PromoFirenze (Firenze) – “Aspetti Legali per Condurre Affari negli USA” (Legal Aspects on Doing Business in the U.S.). Sponsored by the State of Illinois European Office, May 2002
- API (Bologna) – “Agevolazioni alle Imprese: L'esperienza Statunitense” (Company incentives: the American experience), May 2002
- Assindustria Verona (Verona) – “Investire nell'Illinois” (Invest in Illinois). Sponsored by the State of Illinois European Office, May 2002
- Consorzio per il Lavoro e le Attività Innovative e Formative (LAIF) (Cosenza) – “Tecniche di contrattualistica internazionale” (International contract techniques), April 2002
- Centro Estero delle Camere di Commercio del Veneto & Camera Commercio Industria Artigianato & Agricoltura di Padova (Padova) – “Chicago, Porta D'Ingresso nel Mercato NordAmericano” (Chicago, the door to the North American market), 2000
- SviluppoUmbria (Perugia) – “Opportunità e Sinergie nel Mercato NordAmericano” (Opportunity and synergy in the North American market), 2000
- Loyola University School of Law, International Series – “The Ten Golden Rules, Trading with Italy,” 1999 (Chicago, Illinois)
- LaSalle National Bank of Chicago and The Chicago Manufacturing Association – “How to Play Smart in the International Market,” 1997 (Chicago, Illinois)

- State of Illinois (Governor Jim Edgar) Trade Mission (Rome, Florence, Verona, Milan, Turin) – “Opportunities for Foreign Investments in Illinois,” 1997
- John Marshall Law School, Trade and Law Lecture Series – “Doing Business in Italy,” 1996 (Chicago, Illinois)