



Thijs Straatman

Thijs studied Dutch law and Public Administration at Erasmus University Rotterdam. After graduating, he successively worked as a research assistant at Delft University of Technology (TU Delft), legal secretary of the Association of Dutch Property Development Companies (Neprom) and as a lawyer at Van Wijmen Nouwen in Breda, and from 1999 he was part of the real estate team of Houthoff Buruma in Rotterdam.

In February 2006, he and Wilfried Koster founded Straatman Koster advocaten.

Practice areas

Land policy

State aid law

Procurement law

Area development

Construction law

Expertise:

Thijs is a real estate lawyer specialising in project development, procurement law, state aid law, construction law, land development and investment property acquisitions. To facilitate the completion of property transactions, he also advises his clients, who include municipalities, developers, investors, housing associations and healthcare institutions, on private law, public law and corporate law-related matters.

Thijs is noted for his contracting expertise in relation to large-scale construction projects, area developments and property transactions. He also regularly represents clients in construction and procurement law litigation and in other conflicts pertaining to private law.

Thijs regularly publishes on property-related issues and also gives lectures and courses in the field for Kluwer and the Netherlands Institute for Construction Law (IBR), among others. Thijs is co-author of the informative guide 'Aanbestedingsrecht' (procurement law) published by Sdu Commentaar.

Since 2009, Thijs has been ranked annually in both Legal500 and Chambers. On top of this, he also received a nice mention in the "Top 10 Construction Lawyers Marking Influence in Netherlands Real Estate 2023" compiled by Business Today.

Thijs has listed the following main and secondary legal practice areas in the register of legal practice areas of the Netherlands Bar (Nederlandse orde van advocaten, NOvA):

- Real estate law

This listing requires him to obtain ten training credits in each registered main legal practice area in accordance with the standards of the Netherlands Bar each calendar year.

Some publications:

- Artikel "Ingezonden redactionele bijdrage: Consultatieversie Leidraad Vertraging en Verstoring in de Bouw" in het tijdschrift Actualiteiten Bouwrecht, februari 2021 (met mr. Dr. H.P.C.W. Strang).

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