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WELCOME TO AGPLAW TRANSACTIONS & ADVISORY DEPARTMENT

At **AGPLAW** we are dedicated to legal excellence and innovation, providing premier legal solutions in transactional and advisory services for nearly two decades. As a distinguished law firm in Cyprus, we have built a reputation for excellence, integrity, and an unmatched depth of expertise and professionalism across diverse practice areas including corporate, commercial and M&A; banking & finance; tax; immigration and property law, among others.

Rooted in deep industry knowledge and extensive experience, AGPLAW is committed to strategic, innovative, and commercially focused legal solutions. Since 2006, our team has guided clients through complexities of both domestic and international legal matters, earning us recognition and accolades such as consistent rankings in **Legal500**, **IFLR1000, Chambers & Partners,** and many more.



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Our team, is headquartered in **Cyprus** but is also spread across strategic locations including London and our purely corporate-focused Dubai office, exemplifies dedication to precision, strategy, and resolution. Additionally, our international corporate services team enhances our global footprint, offering bespoke solutions across the complexities of cross-border transactions and regulatory compliance with ease.

AGPLAW goes beyond traditional legal advisory, positioning itself as a trusted partner for both corporate and individual private clients looking to navigate the dynamic global business environment successfully. Our approach is client-centric; our strategies, bold and forward-thinking; and our solutions, grounded in comprehensive legal acumen.

Discover the distinctive qualities of AGPLAW. Take some time to review this Transactions & Advisory Brochure but also visit us at www.agplaw. com and explore how we can empower your legal and corporate journey.



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SERVICES OVERVIEW

When it comes to transactions and legal advisory, at AGPLAW, we are dedicated to delivering comprehensive legal services across various key practice areas. Our approach combines deep legal knowledge with practical solutions, designed to support our clients' objectives and business needs.

> Banking & Finance

At AGPLAW, we stand as a trusted provider of legal services in the banking and financial sector, offering a broad range of support from transactional assistance to legal and regulatory advice and litigation. Our expertise covers the full spectrum of banking and finance transactions, including **mergers and acquisitions, securities offerings, loan and other transactional agreements,** and **structured finance.** We ensure our clients meet the latest regulatory compliance standards, providing strategic advice on Cyprus and EU regulatory regimes.

> Business Valuation Services

We offer expert business valuation services, essential for owners contemplating mergers, seeking new investors, or involved in legal disputes. Our skilled team, consisting of valuation professionals and financial analysts, is dedicated to delivering bespoke solutions tailored to the unique needs of your organization. We pride ourselves on providing **precise**, **actionable insights** across various sectors, ensuring our clients are well-informed for strategic decision-making. Our services extend to operational analysis, transaction advisory, and strategic planning for future growth, grounded in a thorough understanding of the factors that influence business value.





> Commercial, Corporate & M&A

We specialize in corporate, commercial, and M&A advisory services, focusing on delivering strategic advice that supports our clients' growth and value maximization. We assist with **corporate restructuring**, **mergers and demerges**, **acquisitions**, and **joint ventures**, ensuring each process is managed with precision and attention to detail. Our expertise in contracts is extensive, encompassing the **drafting**, **review**, and **negotiation** of a wide array of agreements to protect our clients' interests effectively. Additionally, we provide comprehensive **corporate governance** advice, helping clients fulfil their management duties, understand board obligations, and uphold **shareholder rights**, all while adhering to best practices and compliance requirements.

> Immigration & Relocation in Cyprus

We offer a comprehensive suite of immigration, relocation, and citizenship services designed to streamline the process of moving to Cyprus, whether for **work**, **investment**, or **residence**. Our expertise covers everything from assisting with **visa applications**, **digital nomad visas**, and **family reunification** to navigating the criteria for obtaining **Cypriot citizenship**. We understand the importance of a smooth transition and provide end-to-end support for individuals and families making Cyprus their new home, ensuring compliance with all legal requirements while optimizing the benefits Cyprus has to offer.

> Intellectual Property & Trademarks

At AGPLAW, we recognize the critical importance of protecting intellectual property (IP) and trademarks in today's global marketplace. Our services include **IP registration**, **IP tax planning** and **IP BOX**, **IP litigation**, and strategy development to safeguard our clients' innovations and brand identity. We work closely with our clients to enforce their IP rights, combat infringement, and navigate the legal landscape of IP protection both in Cyprus and internationally.

> International Corporate Services

Our International Corporate Services team offers specialized support for **company formations, tax optimization,** and **regulatory guidance** across numerous jurisdictions. We assist with the formation and incorporation of companies, tailoring our advice to match the strategic needs of our clients while ensuring compliance with local laws. Our tax advisory services focus on leveraging Cyprus' tax regime to offer **optimized solutions** for international operations. Furthermore, we provide **end-to-end guidance** on company law and corporate matters, ensuring smooth cross-border transactions and operations for our clients.







> Labour & Employment Law

Our employment law services serve both employers and employees, ensuring fair practices, compliance with labor laws, and protection of rights within the workplace. We offer advice on contract drafting, handle employment disputes, and provide strategic recommendations for navigating employment law challenges. Our goal is to foster productive work environments and resolve any issues efficiently, protecting the interests of our clients at every step.



> Legal & Financial Due Diligences

The importance of thorough legal and financial due diligence cannot be overstated; therefore, our services are designed to provide deep insights into the target company's legal and financial health. Our team, comprised of specialised corporate lawyers and in-house chartered accountants, excels in revealing all necessary information for informed decision-making, covering mergers, acquisitions, and corporate finance transactions.

> Liquidations & Strike Offs

AGPLAW provides comprehensive guidance through the process of company **dissolution**, including **voluntary liquidations** and **strike offs**. Headed by Angelos Paphitis, a registered insolvency practitioner, our team advises on all necessary procedures for a successful outcome, specializing in liquidation processes both within Cyprus and internationally.

> Real Estate & Property Law

Our real estate and property law services encompass comprehensive support for all transactional aspects, from **sales** and **purchases** to **leasing**. Our team ensures that each transaction is conducted smoothly, with **due diligence** and meticulous **contract management**. We are adept at resolving property disputes, offering both advocacy and strategic litigation services to protect our clients' real estate interests. Our commitment extends to ensuring all real estate transactions comply with relevant laws and regulations, effectively managing risks and safeguarding our clients' investments.



> Redomiciliations & Branch Registrations

At AGPLAW, we facilitate the process for companies seeking to take advantage of Cyprus' competitive benefits by transferring their domicile or establishing a branch. Our expertise in local procedures ensures the success of applications, positioning Cyprus as an ideal hub for international business with its strategic location, comprehensive infrastructure, and advantageous tax system.

> Regulatory

We provide expert legal and regulatory compliance advisory services across DAC6 regulatory compliance, Energy regulation, GDPR & Data Protection, the Pharmaceutical industry, EU & Competition law, and Financial Services (FS) **Regulatory** areas, ensuring comprehensive support for our clients' regulatory compliance requirements. Our team delivers critical insights and strategies to tackle EU tax laws, adjust to Cyprus' dynamic energy market, comply with GDPR mandates, meet pharmaceutical regulatory standards, and engage effectively within the EU's competitive environment. In the realm of FS Regulatory, we equip financial institutions with the necessary tools to stay ahead of regulatory changes, enhancing their ability to operate efficiently and securely.

> Tax

Our tax advisory and tax planning services are designed to help clients optimize their tax position while ensuring full compliance with Cyprus and international tax laws. We offer strategic tax planning advice and guidance on local and international tax matters, transfer pricing studies and VAT compliance, as well as advisory and support for achieving **IP Box regime**. We aim at using Cyprus' favourable tax regime to boost business efficiency and profitability, effectively dealing with complex tax challenges.

> Trusts, Wills & Probate

Our estate planning and administration services are designed to ensure our clients' assets are managed and transferred according to their wishes. We provide tailored solutions for estate planning, including wills, trusts, and succession planning, ensuring peace of mind for our clients and their families. Our team also handles the administration of estates, guiding executors through the process with sensitivity and professionalism.







> Diverse Expertise for Comprehensive Solutions

Our wide-ranging expertise in all type and size of transactions and advisory ensures that we offer comprehensive solutions tailored to the unique challenges and opportunities your business faces. From intricate cross-border transactions and to specialised advisory, our team is equipped to deliver strategic insights and innovative solutions that drive our clients' business forward.

> Strategic Partnerships for Global Reach

Our collaboration with global legal experts and institutions enhances our ability to support our clients' international operations, ensuring that you have access to the best legal strategies no matter where your business takes you. Whether you are entering new markets, managing complex international transactions, or seeking to ensure regulatory compliance across multiple jurisdictions, AGPLAW's Transactions & Advisory department is your partner in achieving strategic objectives and operational excellence.

> Commitment to Your Success

Our team's approach is rooted in a deep understanding of our clients' business goals and the legal and regulatory environments in which they operate. We pride ourselves on not just being our clients' advisors but their partners in success, offering not only legal expertise but also strategic guidance. At AGPLAW, we believe in building lasting relationships with our clients, grounded in trust, professionalism, and a shared commitment to achieving outstanding results.

YOUR AGPLAW TEAM

Excellence and Innovation at Your Service

At AGPLAW, our Transactions & Advisory department is distinguished for its dedication to excellence, innovation, and a client-centered approach. With professionalism and non-negotiable commitment to our clients' success, our team provides unmatched expertise in navigating the complex world of corporate transactions, commercial support, international corporate services support, regulatory compliance, and strategic tax advisory services across Cyprus and international borders.



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> Legal Excellence

AGPLAW Cyprus serves as the foundation of our global operations, distinguished by exceptional legal expertise and a comprehensive approach to law. Our team in Cyprus specializes in all areas of business law, whether in Transactions or Advisory, delivering solutions tailored to the unique challenges and opportunities of our clients.

> Prime Location for Business Expansion

Strategically positioned at the crossroads of Europe, Asia, and Africa, AGPLAW Cyprus is your ideal partner for achieving global business goals. We offer strategic advice informed by a deep understanding of the local and international business requirements.

> Dedicated to Client Success

We prioritize a client-focused approach, emphasizing personalized service to fully understand and meet your specific needs. Our commitment to ethical standards and proactive legal service has established us as a trusted advisor for businesses and individuals alike.

> Innovative Solutions for Modern Challenges

Embracing modern legal practices and techniques, AGPLAW Cyprus uses the latest technologies and legal research tools to provide efficient, effective, and forward-looking legal solutions. Choosing AGPLAW Cyprus means partnering with a firm that has invested in your success, offering unparalleled legal expertise and strategic insights to assist in today's global market challenges.



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WHY CHOOSE ACPLAW DUBAI: YOUR GATEWAY TO CORPORATE EXCELLENCE

Located in the vibrant city of Dubai, AGPLAW's UAE office serves as our clients' gateway of corporate and legal excellence in the United Arab Emirates (UAE). Specializing in a comprehensive suite of corporate services, business consulting, company formations, banking support, and immigration services, our Dubai office is our clients' strategic partner in the region and beyond.

> Corporate Solutions

We offer end-to-end support in company formations across various free zones and mainland, ensuring your venture is set up for success in alignment with UAE's regulatory frameworks. Furthermore, our Dubai office assists in opening corporate bank accounts, for all type of services and operations, immigration services and residency visas, including office support and substance.

> Local Expertise

Choosing AGPLAW's Dubai office means partnering with a team that combines local expertise with two decades of global legal standards. Our commitment to excellence, personalized approach, and understanding of the corporate world make us the ideal partner for your business.





WHY CHOOSE **AGPLAW LONDON: COMPLEX LITIGATION ACROSS BORDERS**

> Specialized Corporate & Commercial Litigation Expertise

While this brochure shines a spotlight on Transactions & Advisory, it is worth noting the specialized corporate and commercial litigation expertise of our AGPLAW London office. Serving as a hub for complex litigation across borders, our London team of 6 barristers brings a focused approach to dispute resolution, leveraging deep legal knowledge and strategic litigation tactics to protect and advance our clients' corporate and commercial interests. This office underscores our firm's commitment to offering comprehensive legal support, tailored not only to corporate and advisory needs but also to navigating the challenges of litigation with skill and determination.







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"We have been working with AGPLAW for more than ten years now with respect to corporate and M&A transactions and we intend to continue working with them for many years to come. They are true **experts in Cyprus** when it comes to **Corporate & M&A Transactions**; they appreciate the expertise that different projects require, and they are **able to deliver high end results in a timely manner**". *Legal 500 EMEA 2023 Edition*

"Very knowledgeable, solution-orientated and different teams work together very well to bring success". IFLR1000 2023 Edition

"They have gained a strong reputation in tax in Cyprus, and I believe there is no other law firm in Cyprus with a truly dedicated tax practice as AGPLAW has. The differentiative factor from competitors in Cyprus is that AGPLAW consists of a true tax team, specialists on tax and focusing on expanding this practice further". *Legal 500 EMEA 2023 Edition*

"Their team is well-coordinated with deep professional expertise and is commercially minded". Legal 500 EMEA 2024 Edition

"This law firm is really **specialized in banking** and **finance**, not only on legal terms but also on **regulatory aspects**". *Legal 500 EMEA 2024 Edition*

"The team is dedicated to building long-term relationships with clients based **on trust**, **transparency**, and **consistently delivering high-quality results**".

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"The team of lawyers and consultants I work with are always **on point**, they have **very strong** and **solid knowledge of their field**. What makes AGPLAW stand out from competitors is their priority for always putting their **clients' needs first**, which I strongly value and respect". *Legal500 EMEA 2023 Edition*









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