



An Introduction to Al Ghazzawi Professional Association

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Al Ghazzawi Professional Association (GPA) is a leading Saudi full-service law firm with a strong regional and international profile. GPA was established in 1969 by Dr. Talal Amin Al-Ghazzawi, the current Chairman of GPA.

Subsequently, Dr Belal Al-Ghazzawi and Mr Hussam Al-Ghazzawi joined as partners and elevated the Association into an internationally recognised fully-fledged law firm. The firm now has approximately 30 lawyers spread across offices in Jeddah, Riyadh and Dammam.

GPA enjoys an enviable reputation for commitment to providing quality legal advice to clients and delivering international service standards. The firm is highly experienced having acted on some of the largest transactions and projects in the region.

GPA represents and advises many of the largest domestic and multinational corporations operating in the region including a large number of Fortune 500 companies. Our lawyers respect and understand the cultural nuances of doing business in the region and continue to provide clients with valuable assistance in navigating the local regulatory, legal and business processes.

With the fast-growing demand across the Middle East for international energy and projects expertise allied with GPA's full-service law capability in corporate, finance and dispute resolution work, GPA is the first port of call for advice on all aspects of international law and Shari'ah compliance in the region.

In April 2008, GPA formed an exclusive association with **Herbert Smith LLP**, an international law firm based in London with 1,300 lawyers. There are now three Herbert Smith lawyers based permanently in GPA's Jeddah office, a further Herbert Smith lawyer in Dammam and a partner locating to Riyadh.

In the MENA region and beyond, teams of lawyers from Al Ghazzawi Professional Association and Herbert Smith now provide clients with a seamless service. We place great emphasis on the genuine nature of our association with Herbert Smith and are – we believe – justifiably proud of the superior service which consequently we are able to deliver to our clients.

Practice Areas

- Banking and Finance and Debt Restructurings
- Capital Markets (Debt and Equity)
- Corporate and Business Structuring
- Competition and World Trade Organisation
- Dispute Resolution
- Employment
- Foreign Investment and Domestic Investment
- Insolvency
- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Other areas (Insurance, IP, Environment, Tax)

Industry Sectors

- Energy and Resources
- Infrastructure
- Telecommunications, Media and Technology
- Construction and Real Estate

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Publications

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- **Saudi Arabia Investment Guide 2009**
The first edition of our guide to investing in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. The guide gives a useful introduction to Saudi Arabia's rapidly evolving legal and regulatory environment.
- **Dispute avoidance newsletter June 2009**
A brief summary of the Saudi legal system.
- **The 2010 European & Middle Eastern Arbitration Review** (extract) - a Global Arbitration Review special report, www.GlobalArbitrationReview.com.

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