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David Cuendet advises and represents clients in state court litigation and in arbitration, including pre-trial and enforcement issues. He specializes in civil, criminal and administrative procedure, trade restrictions and sanctions regulations, debt collection and bankruptcy law, white collar crime, contract law, and the law of associations (Verein).

David Cuendet routinely conducts judicial and administrative proceedings before authorities from different legal backgrounds in the German- and French-speaking parts of Switzerland.

His judicial experience includes obtaining or defending against ex parte interim injunctions and attachments, asserting or averting contractual claims (e.g., guarantee, asset management, shareholders' agreement, sale and purchase, credit, loan, agency, distribution), concluding judicial or extra-judicial settlements, representing aggrieved or accused parties in administrative or criminal investigations (e.g., trade restrictions and sanctions, bribery, fraud, criminal mismanagement, forgery) and enforcing decisions and claims.

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