# OUR BROCHURE

OA Legal is a Geneva based law firm, driven by an entrepreneurial spirit providing tailor-made legal services.



### OUR GOLDEN CIRCLE

### Using law for positive impact







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### **B Corp Certification**

OA Legal is undergoing the B Corp Certification

We believe business must take a central role in fostering sustainability. Our clients expect from us to play our part as an ethical and responsible business — from fostering a diverse and inclusive workplace where we invest in the development and wellbeing of our people, to working to reduce our carbon emissions, and using our skills, creativity and influence to help solve some of the biggest challenges facing the world today.

This is the reason why OA Legal is in the process of obtaining a **B Corp certification** from leading global sustainability non-profit B Lab, in recognition of its corporate sustainability practices.

The B Corp certification is one of the world's most advanced ratings for corporate sustainability. Becoming a 'B Corp' involves a rigorous assessment of a company's environmental and social performance and governance. It measures how companies manage its people, environmental footprint, products, suppliers and the communities with whom they interact.



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#### Paperless

OA Legal is moving towards a paperless practice and e-office law firm

OA Legal took one step ahead to digitalize all its internal processes through the generalization of use of Qualified Electronic Signature (QES) and online communication exclusively. The aim of the law firm is to become a 100 % **paperless law firm** within the upcoming year.

OA Legal acts as the Registration Authority Agency for Swisscom and is responsible for the identification process of clients in order to provide them with QES under Swiss law. The QES client onboarding and identification can be made on site at OA Legal premises or by video identification.

By using QES, OA Legal ensures legal security and authentication of the signatures, eliminates paperwork overload, reduces costs of registered mail and facilitates for the clients the signature of documents by signing instantly with their mobile phone.



### Digital Access to Justice

OA Legal manages electronic submissions filing with Geneva judicial authorities

In June 2019, Switzerland has launched the Justitia 4.0 project. The Justitia 4.0 project aims to introduce the electronic file within the Swiss judicial authorities, electronic communication with them and online consultation of the files. All types of proceedings are involved: criminal, civil and administrative proceedings.

As of today, it is possible in Geneva to communicate with most of the important courts and authorities in criminal and civil proceedings, but with the upcoming Justitia 4.0 project, this process will be generalized for all authorities.

OA Legal provides clients with Electronic Qualified Signature and manages for clients **electronic submissions to authorities and courts** via certified delivery platforms which ease the access to justice.



### Document Management System

OA Legal provides an Electronic Document Management System with Qualified Electronic Signature

OA Legal provides to clients an Electronic Document Management System (EDMS), fullycompliant with GDRP and Swiss data protection regulations, embedded with Qualified Electronic Signature (QES) able to **share live information and documentation with clients** to strengthen the communication between us, which contains tools such as:

- Dedicated portal for clients with private login to easily share digital documents.
- Notification push on client's mobile phone.
- Qualified Electronic Signature Onboarding.
- Automatic tracks modifications to documents and metadata.

- Check-in and check-out features ensure information integrity and streamline collaboration.

- Real-time updates for documentation to be always up-to-date and compliant.
- Storage and access to information for more efficient use.
- Virtual room for meetings and conferences with documentation sharing.



### Digitally Incorporated

OA Legal is the first Swiss law firm fully digitally incorporated

On March 16 2020, the Swiss Federal Council decided to take measures to contain the spread of the coronavirus in Switzerland and introduced, in particular a ban to hold public or private events. Such decision had an impact on the holding of general meetings of companies.

Under Swiss law, shareholders have an inherent right to attend the meeting in person.

In light of the ban to meet in person, the Swiss government had therefore granted a number of relaxations. The most important one was to allow shareholders to exercise their rights exclusively in writing, electronically or via an independent representative designated by the company for the holding of the general assembly.

OA Legal SA is the first Swiss Law Firm that has been **fully digitally incorporated within the Geneva Commercial Register** by holding remotely the incorporating meeting via videoconference before the public notary and using electronic qualified signature in accordance with art. 27 of the COVID-2019 Ordinance 3.

## OUR EXPERTISE

#### We provide holistic legal services

#### **Banking and Finance**

We advise banks, securities dealers, asset managers, insurance companies, financial advisors and other financial intermediaries on Swiss financial regulation.

#### Corporate and Commercial

We assist Swiss and foreign companies as well as entrepreneurs for all legal issues in relation to their business activities.

#### **Employment Law**

We advise clients and represent them in front of Swiss Courts in all areas of private employment and public labor law.

#### Fintech

We advise Fintech companies, crowdfunding platforms, tokenization of securities project and DeFi protocols on Swiss Fintech regulations.

#### **Business Litigation**

We assist and represent clients in complex civil and administrative litigation in front of Swiss Courts.

#### Data protection and Privacy

We advise Swiss and foreign companies across all industry sectors in relation to the Swiss Federal Data Protection Act.

#### **Family Law**

We assist and represent clients in front of Swiss Courts in all area of family law, including divorce and inheritance.

#### **Real Estate**

We advise companies and private clients as well as real estate professionals in all stages of real estate and construction projects.

## OUR TEAM

#### Our business is understanding Yours



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