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'Continuous effort – not strength or intelligence – is the key to unlocking our potential.' - Winston Churchill

Jonathan Bernasconi provides legal advice and assistance in both civil and administrative disputes. He has specialist experience in the fields of banking and finance law and labor law.

Expertise

Employment and Social Security Law

Construction and real estate

Energy, Infrastructure, and Environment

Company & Corporate Law / M&A

Insolvency and Restructuring

Life Sciences, Healthcare, Pharmaceuticals, and Biotechnology

Private Clients

Dispute Resolution and Litigation

Insurance and Liability

Career

- Since September 2017
  Partner at Kellerhals Carrard Lugano SA, Lugano, Switzerland
- 2006 2017
  Associate at PSMLaw SA, Lugano, Switzerland
- 2004–2006
  Legal and notarial apprenticeship at PSMLaw SA, Lugano, Switzerland
- 2001–2004
  Legal adviser at the Labor Directorate of the Swiss State Secretariat for Economic Affairs (SECO), Bern, Switzerland

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Memberships

- Bar Association of the Canton of Ticino (OATi)
- Swiss Bar Association (FSA)
- International Association of Lawyers (UIA)
- International Association of Young Lawyers (AIJA)

Education

- 2022
  Certified Specialists SBA in Labour Law

- 2016
  Certificate of Advanced Studies (CAS) in Civil Litigation, Law School of the University of St. Gallen in cooperation with the Center for Conflict Resolution of the University of Lucerne
- 2006
  Admission to the Bar Association of the Canton of Ticino (OATi)
- 2001
  Bachelor of Laws (LLB), University of Fribourg

Other Activities

- April 7 – 11, 2003: Representative of Switzerland at the International Labour Office (ILO) Conference "Tripartite Meeting on the Employment Effects of Merger and Acquisitions in Commerce" Geneva, Switzerland
- 2003: Member of the Advisory Panel for the study "Prekäre Arbeitsverhältnisse in der Schweiz" (Precarious Employment in Switzerland), SECO (Swiss State Secretariat for Economic Affairs), Bern, Switzerland
- 2004: Member of the Advisory Panel for the study "Eine empirische Analyse der Arbeit auf Abruf in der Schweiz" (An empirical analysis of on-demand work in Switzerland) study, SECO (Swiss State Secretariat for Economic Affairs), Bern, Switzerland

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Languages

German, English, French, Italian

Rankings & Awards

Kellerhals Carrard recognised in Benchmark Litigation 2025	December 19, 2025
Kellerhals Carrard Shines in The Legal 500 2024 Rankings	March 27, 2024
Kellerhals Carrard Ranked as a Top Tier Firm by The Legal 500 2023	April 18, 2023