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Schweizer Kobras is a commercial law firm founded in 1979 by SACCI foundation member Norbert Schweizer. The firm's motto is "Your Business Matters".

Norbert is a Public Notary and an Accredited Specialist in Business Law. While his practice includes corporate and business law, Norbert also has extensive experience in estates and succession planning.

Originally from Germany, Norbert's parents migrated to Australia in 1951.

After graduating from university, Norbert spent four years travelling, studying and working in Europe, including two years in Düsseldorf where he worked as an English teacher and for the German economic newspaper "Das Handelsblatt". Between them, Norbert and his Swiss-born wife Sonja have extensive personal and commercial contacts in both the Swiss and German communities in Sydney.

Norbert has been extensively involved in the Swiss community for many years, including serving in various voluntary positions for Swiss organisations. Norbert is a founding member and director of SACCI, and remains the Chamber's honorary secretary and longest serving director. For over 20 years he has also



been the honorary solicitor for the Swiss Club, the Swiss Community Care Society and the Australian-German Welfare Society. He is also the confidential solicitor for the Swiss Embassy in Canberra and the Swiss Consulates

in Sydney and Melbourne. Norbert has been on the Board of Temple Emanuel in Woollahra since 1985 and is currently President of the Synagogue having first been elected in 2003. As well, Sonja and Norbert are life members of the NSW Institute for Deaf and Blind Children at North Rocks.

Educated in Munich, Michael Kobras was admitted there as a lawyer in 1989. He became a partner in a Munich firm, mostly practising in the areas of civil, commercial and trade law.

After migrating to Australia with his Australian-born wife in 1992, Michael was admitted to practice in NSW in 1994 when he commenced working with Norbert, becoming a partner in the firm in 1998 and an Accredited Specialist in Business Law in 2002. Michael's experience is wide ranging - including corporate and business law, employment and industrial relations and inheritance law under German and Australian jurisdictions.

The honorary secretary of the Swiss Community Care Society, Beatrice Stuber, is a key member of the firm's "Swiss" legal team. A lawyer and public notary from Berne, Beatrice was admitted to practice in NSW in 2003.

Beatrice practiced commercial, corporate, tax and inheritance law in Switzerland, and currently practises in the areas of succession law in Australia and Switzerland, commercial and corporate law in both Switzerland and Australia and various other fields of Swiss law.

Schweizer Kobras is the only commercial legal firm in Sydney, and probably in Australia, with lawyers admitted in Australia, Switzerland and Germany. The firm acts for a number of companies headquartered in Switzerland, Germany and Austria, and for their local subsidiaries as well as for Australian companies with business interests in those countries. Most of the lawyers in the firm and a number of support staff are also fluent in German (including Schwyzer Deutsch) and other languages.

Congratulations to Schweizer Kobras on their long-standing support and commitment to the Swiss business community in Australia.

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