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Expertise areas

Aquaculture and Fisheries

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Halfdan Mellbye

Partner

Halfdan Mellbye is head of the firm's aquaculture department. He is a specialist on the administrative regulation of fisheries and fish farming with thirty years of experience.

Mellbye is also highly specialised in administrative law, public procurement, dispute resolution and litigation.

He advises municipalities, hospitals and the private business sector on several fields within administrative law such as the environmental field (including waste-handling), education, health and on the area of public procurement. He also has an especially broad experience within different areas of administrative procedure, including topics such as disqualification, duty of secrecy, access to information, and administrative sanctions.

Mellbye has been ranked among the foremost experts on fisheries law in the annual ranking of attorneys in the Norwegian business newspaper, Finansavisen.

He was formerly an assistant professor at the Faculty of Law of the University of Bergen.

He is an attorney admitted to the Supreme Court. He is also an experienced lecturer.

> *Halfdan Mellbye has more than detailed knowledge about laws connected to fish farming, and he sees elements that other lawyers don't see.*
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> - Client, Legal500, 2022

Work experience

2009–
SANDS Advokatfirma DA
Partner

2004–2008
Advokatfirma DLA Piper Norway DA
Partner

2003
Lindh Stabell Horten
Partner

1999–2002
Secher/Lindh Stabell Horten
Associate

1995–1998
Advokatfirmaet Schjødt
Senior Associate

1986–1995
University of Bergen, Faculty of Law
Scientific assistant

Education

1988
University of Bergen
Cand. jur.