Satellite

Experience

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Procurement of satellites

• Advised the Nordic Satellite Company (NSAB) on the procurement of the MARCO POLO 1 satellite from BskyB, and the subsequent competitive procurements of the SIRIUS 2 and 3 satellites.

Procurement of launch services and launch in-orbit insurance

• Advised SSC on the procurement of launch services from Arianespace for the launch of the Tele-X satellite and from Space Exploration Technologies (SpaceX) with regard to the launch of a future satellite.

Satellite transponder services

• Advised NSAB on numerous transponder service agreements and up-link agreements concerning the Sirius and Tele-X satellites.
• Advised SES SIRIUS in connection with the drafting and negotiation of a transponder service agreement with various customers regarding HDTV transmissions.

Satellite disputes

• Successfully defended NSAB in an arbitration against a satellite manufacturer that was seeking recovery of liquidated damages of US$10 million.

Satellite regulatory issues

• Advised Spaceport Sweden with respect to the regulatory environment required for private sub-orbital human space flights (space tourism).

Satellite M&A

• Advised NSAB and SSC in sequential transactions resulting in investments in NSAB, in addition to SSC, by Teracom and Tele Danmark, the subsequent sale of those ownership interests to SSC and SES Global, and SSC's subsequent sale of its NSAB holdings to SES Global.

Satellite joint ventures

• Assisted the shareholders of Orbital Recovery Corporation (Swedish Space Corporation, Erwin Kayser-Threde GmbH, Dutch Space B.V. and Sener Grupo de Ingenieria) in preparing a license agreement between each of Orbital Recovery Corporation (ORC) and Orbital Recovery Limited (ORL) and an SPV to be established by the clients and the other shareholders of ORC for the use of existing Intellectual Property Rights in order to permit the construction, launch and operation of a so-called "space tug".