BÄR & KARRER SUCCESSFULLY REPRESENTED A UEFA ETHICS AND DISCIPLINARY INSPECTOR

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<u>Bär & Karrer</u> has represented a former UEFA ethics and disciplinary inspector before the Swiss Federal Supreme Court. In this sense, two former UEFA ethics and disciplinary inspectors have been acquitted in a lawsuit against the former president of a European football club and another person close to the club.

The Swiss Federal Supreme Court confirmed the acquittal decision of the Cantonal Court of Vaud issued within the ambit of the fight against match fixing, which followed a criminal complaint from the two above mentioned individuals against two UEFA ethics and disciplinary inspectors. The Swiss Federal Supreme Court recognized that the former ethics and disciplinary inspectors were not guilty of defamation when they had identified these individuals as organizers of match-fixing in a disciplinary investigation report to the attention of UEFA.

The decision of the Swiss Federal Supreme Court (6B_1296/2021 of 30 June 2022) acknowledges the importance of the work conducted by UEFA ethics and disciplinary inspectors in the context of the fight against match-fixing in sport competitions.

The team included partner **Saverio Lembo** (pictured), **Anne Valérie Julen Berthod** and **Julien Renaud** (all White Collar Crime and Litigation).