

# Christian Gabolde

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*Soulier*  
AVOCATS

Doctor of Law, Christian graduated from the prestigious *Ecole Nationale d'Administration* and became over the years one of the finest specialists in French Administrative Law.

During his long professional career, Christian notably served as President of the Administrative Court of Caen, President of the Regional Institute for Public Administration of Lyon, President of the Administrative Court of Lyon and member of the Council of State, i.e. France's Administrative Supreme Court.

Christian has acquired substantial expertise in dispute resolution of procurement contracts (liability of the project owner and construction manager, etc.) and has extensively practiced environmental law. He has, in particular, in-depth knowledge of environmental regulations pertaining to so-called classified facilities for the protection of the environment, a legal topic for which he remains to date one of the best French specialists.

Christian works closely with the members of the firm as a consultant in administrative and environmental law matters.

Christian has contributed to many legal publications regarding administrative and environmental law, written many legal columns and issued a large number of written commentaries on the evolution of French case-law. He has authored several books, including two reference books, the first one on French administrative procedures, and the second one on the legal status of classified facilities.

## Selected Operation Summary

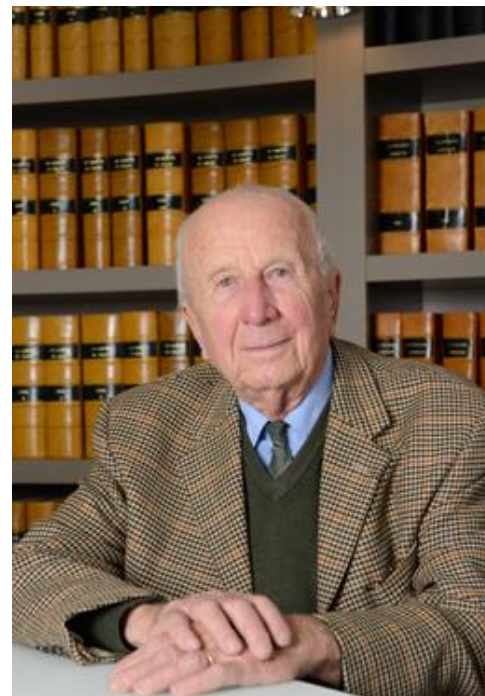
Assisted a European energy leader in a dispute relating to defects on immovables located within a nuclear power plant

Assisted and defended companies operating in the chemical and agrochemical industries in summary proceedings and proceedings for annulment in relation to classified facilities before administrative courts

Defended the interests of distributors of pest control products for agricultural use in proceedings before administrative courts

Participated in the preparation of a framework agreement between the state and the market leader in the management and disposal of national plant protection products

Assisted several Premier League French football clubs before administrative courts in connection with appeal procedures against decisions of the French Football Federation



Expertise

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW

ENVIRONMENTAL LAW

PROCUREMENT CONTRACT LITIGATION

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## Background

- Soulier Avocats, Of Counsel, since 1992
- Soulier Avocats, 1988-1992
- Member of the Council of State, 1982-1988
- President of the Administrative Court of Lyon, 1975-1982
- President of the Regional Administration Institute, Lyon, 1970-1975
- President of the Administrative Court of Caen, 1968-1970
- Counselor, Administrative Court of Caen, 1954-1968

## Main Publications

- *Encyclopédie Pratique du Contentieux Administratif*, co-author, éditions Dalloz
- *La Procédure des cours administratives d'appel et des tribunaux administratifs*, éditions Dalloz, 1997
- *Les Installations classées pour la défense de l'environnement*, éditions Sirey
- *La procédure des tribunaux administratifs*, éditions Dalloz
- *Traité de procédure administrative contentieuse*, éditions Dalloz
- *Traité des établissements dangereux, incommodes et insalubres*, éditions Sirey
- *Manuel formulaire de la procédure suivie devant les tribunaux administratifs*, éditions Dalloz
- Member of editorial board of the *Cahier sociaux de Paris*, since 1988

## Credentials

- Former lecturer on administrative law, University of Lyon 3
- Former lecturer, Faculty of Law, University of Caen
- Former lecturer, University of Savoie
- Knight of the National Order of Merit
- Member of the Legion of Honor
- Knight of the *Ordre des Palmes Académiques*
- Knight of the *Mérite Agricole*

## Education

- *Ecole Nationale d'Administration*
- Doctor of Law
- Honor Graduate, School of Political Sciences
- Honor Graduate, Upper Administrative Duties Center

## Languages

- French
- Spanish