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## PROFILE

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At **SÉRVULO** since 2018, Maria Novo Baptista is a senior associate in Litigation & Arbitration and Sports Law departments, where she joined as a trainee lawyer. In 2023 she concluded a Secondment at law firm Bird&Bird (London office), in the Dispute Resolution Team. She holds a postgraduate degree in Arbitration from Faculty of Law of the University of Lisbon, in 2023, and a postgraduate degree in Sports Law from Faculty of Law of the Portuguese Catholic University, in 2025. She holds a degree in Law from Faculty of Law of the University of Lisbon (2018). She joined the Bar Association in 2021.

## RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

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Assisting in civil and commercial litigation cases before judicial and arbitration courts, namely in contractual and non-contractual liability cases, as well as on insolvency and companies restructuring procedures.

Assisting in litigation cases of sports nature judicial and arbitration courts, namely regarding the termination of professional sports employment contracts.

Assistance on the transfer of players and on the negotiation of sports employment contracts, training contracts and representation and career management agreements.

Legal advice in matters related to the conclusion and execution of civil and commercial contracts.



## EXPERTISE

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- Arbitration
- Litigation
- Sports
- Sports Law

## MOST RECENT RECOGNITIONS

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### **Legal 500 2025**

Dispute Resolution - TIER Other Key Lawyers

### **Legal 500 2024**

Dispute Resolution - TIER Other key lawyers

### **Best Lawyers 2026**

Arbitration and Mediation - TIER Ones to Watch

### **Best Lawyers 2025**

Arbitration and Mediation - TIER Ones to Watch

## BOOKS AND ACADEMIC ARTICLES

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### **2025**

Sports Law 2025: Portugal

2025 | in Chambers Global Practice Guide

### **2024**

Chambers Sports Law 2024 Guide: Portugal

2024 | in Chambers Sports Law 2024 Guide



## **2023**

The Sports Law Review: Portugal

2023 | in The Law Reviews

## **2022**

The Sports Law Review: Portugal

12 Oct 2022 | in The Law Reviews