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| **EXPERIENCE** | **Uralchem JSC,** Moscow, <https://www.uralchem.com/>  *Head of International Law Practice* | 2019 - present |
|  | Leading work on protecting interests of the group of companies abroad, both in significant international projects and international disputes:   * With regard to dispute resolution, scope of work is similar to previous position at Rosneft, including representation in international arbitrations, foreign courts, and before foreign regulatory authorities, development of the overall strategy and coordination thereof with top management. * Providing legal support to business units in significant international projects, including development of new markets, JV projects, protection of IP rights, advising on restrictions imposed by sanctions. * Overall coordination of work of the International Law Practice and foreign legal advisors, reporting to top management of the company.   *(particular cases are not disclosed due to confidentiality reasons)* | |
|  | **Rosneft Oil Company PJSC,** Moscow  *Deputy Head of International and Significant Disputes Unit* | 2016 – 2019 |
| Coordination of work of internationaldispute resolution unit for Rosneft and its group of companies, in particular:   * Protecting interests of the group in various foreign jurisdictions – in international arbitrations, foreign courts, administrative procedures: from developing legal strategy and coordinating thereof with top-management to drafting submissions, working with witnesses, supervising work of foreign counsel, attending hearings.   *Experience includes arbitrations under LCIA, SCC, ICC, UNCITRAL, ICAC rules, litigations in the High Court of Justice of England and Wales, US federal courts and courts at other jurisdictions, transnational insolvency procedure, involving Gibraltar and various European jurisdictions, challenging sanctions at the EU Court.*   * Advising business units on IDR issues, investment arbitrations, assets tracing, risks arising out of commercial contracts, prospects of claims under foreign law, witness testifying and evidence disclosure under UK and US laws; * Advising business units and top management on applicability of the US and EU sanctions, commercial risks related to restrictions imposed by the sanctions, challenging the sanctions; * Coordinating work of foreign legal advisors, handling negotiations with opponents, consulting business units on settlement terms, coordinating with PR on strategy to protect the company’s reputation; * Protected an affiliate from enforcing an award against it in the USA for USD 200 mln: <https://globalarbitrationreview.com/third-party-funding/rosneft-subsidiary-spared-enforcement-in-texas>   *(other cases are not disclosed due to confidentiality reasons)* | |
|  | **EGOROV, PUGINSKY, AFANASIEV & PARTNERS**, Saint-Petersburg, [www.epam.ru](http://www.epam.ru)  *Attorney-at-Law (International Dispute Resolution Practice)* | 2010 - 2016 |
|  | Representing clients in international arbitrations, Russian and foreign courts, consulting on issues of assets restructuring and protection in corporate conflicts.  Successful experience includes arbitrations under LCIA, SCC, ICAC Rules, Swiss Rules, enforcement of arbitral awards in Russia, representing clients in foreign litigations and Russian state courts.  Highlights:   * *«Bank Saint-Petersburg v Arkhangelsky», High Court of Justice.* Successful representation of a major Russian private bank in a number of cases for recovery of debts and protection of the bank against counterclaims based on allegations of fraud and hostile takeover (estimated amount of counterclaim - circa USD 500 mln), which were brought before the High Court of Justice in London and number of French, Bulgarian and BVI state courts.   Experience includes overall coordination of the process and supervising work of foreign counsel, work with witnesses of fact (including top management of the client), analysis of evidence, handling disclosure under English law, advising solicitors’ team on Russian law issues, and work with experts in area of law, bank expertise, valuation of assets and handwriting.   * *LCIA Arbitration.* Representing a major Russian manufacturing holding in an arbitration dispute over investment banking services as part of a major M&A deal; * *SCC Arbitration*. Successful representation of an affiliate of a major aluminium producer in a dispute arising out of a loan agreement, protecting the client at the appeal stage in the Svea Court of Appeal and enforcing the award in Russia; * *Arbitration Rules of St. Petersburg Chamber of Commerce and Industry*. Successful representation of a Swiss steel scrap supplier in the arbitration, including enforcement of the award in a state court; * *Cyprus and BVI*. Advising Russian shareholder of a retail chain on protection of its interests in corporate conflict which required solving a dead lock situation on Cyprus and BVI levels of shareholding by initiating compulsory winding-up procedures and appointing a receiver. | |
|  | **KIRKLAND & ELLIS**, New York, [www.kirkland.com](http://www.kirkland.com)  *Foreign Associate (Secondment)* | 2013 - 2014 |
|  | Working on M&A and corporate litigation matters:   * Legal support of M&A deals: due diligence, drafting transaction documents, developing restructuring schemes, participating in negotiations with counterparties.   *Disclosed example - acquisition of a major American provider of IT infrastructure:* [*https://www.datacenterknowledge.com/archives/2014/05/12/confirmed-peak-10-acquired-gi-partners*](https://www.datacenterknowledge.com/archives/2014/05/12/confirmed-peak-10-acquired-gi-partners)   * Legal support of corporate litigation team: investigating factual evidence, performing case law researches and analysis. | |
| **EDUCATION** | **SAINT-PETERSBURG STATE UNIVERSITY,** Law Faculty (Master’s Degree in Litigation and Arbitration) | 2004 - 2010 |
|  | **SAINT-PETERSBURG STATE UNIVERSITY,** Philology Faculty (Qualification - Interpreter of English Language in the Field of Professional Communication) | 2008 - 2010 |
| **BAR** | From 2011 to 2016 member of the Saint-Petersburg City Bar. The “advocate” status terminated due to a statutory requirement to cancel membership while transferring to an in-house role. | 2011 - 2016 |
| **FOREIGN LANGUAGES** | English (fluent) |  |