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Desired Position

Counsel at an international law firm

Experience

- Cleary Gottlieb (Moscow) – Senior Associate/ Associate 2009 - Present Day
- Cleary Gottlieb (Moscow) – Stagiaire, Paralegal 2007 – 2009
- UniCredit Bank (Moscow) – Paralegal 2006-2007
- Medical Science Center “MedBioSpect” – Deputy Director
General for Labor Matters 2004-2007

Selected Projects

International Investment Arbitration

- **Ministry of Land and Property Relations of the Republic of Tatarstan** in a UNCITRAL arbitration against Ukraine seeking compensation of at least \$300 million for Ukraine’s violations of the Russia-Ukraine bilateral investment treaty
- **Russian Federation** in obtaining an order from The Hague District Court that set aside the \$50 billion award obtained by Yukos’s former majority shareholders.
- **Tatneft** in an UNCITRAL arbitration against Ukraine under the Russia-Ukraine bilateral investment treaty, resulting in a nine-figure award in favor of Tatneft
- **Russian Federation** in an arbitration under Stockholm Chamber of Commerce rules brought by a shareholder in Yukos under the terms of the UK-USSR Bilateral Investment Treaty. The award against the Russian Federation was ultimately annulled by the Swedish courts

International Commercial Arbitration

- A global oilfield services technology company in an LCIA arbitration arising out of the share sale purchase agreement
- A major state-controlled public company in an LCIA arbitration arising out of the loan agreement
- A major oil and gas company in an SCC arbitration seated in Stockholm relating to a shareholder dispute in a Greek joint venture company
- A Russian businessman in an LCIA arbitration in defense of claims brought by a former business partner in the context of a demerger of asset holdings
- A number of high profile successful settlement negotiations following the initiation of the LCIA, ICC and SCC arbitrations

International Litigation, Enforcement of Arbitral Awards

- **Tatneft** in an enforcement of an award of damages of \$112 million plus interest against Ukraine before the Russian state courts
- **Russian Federation** with respect to pursuing repayment of the USD 3 billion Eurobond issued by Ukraine and held by Russia’s National Wealth Fund as the sole noteholder through the English High Court
- **Sulzer Turbo Services Venlo B.V.** in a commercial action brought by a Russian company before the Russian courts seeking recovery of advance payments for which a Dutch company allegedly did not perform any work, in circumvention of the arbitration clause

contained in the agreement with the Russian company

- A **Kazakh businessman** in coordinating the defense on multiple substantial fraud claims brought before the English High Court
- A major **Russian food retailer** in successfully defending a claim brought by a former general director in the courts of the BVI alleging entitlement to share options
- **Rosneft** in coordinating its defense in enforcement action by Yukos Capital in UK of a Russian arbitral awards (previously overturned by Russian courts) and to recognize a Dutch court decision that allowed enforcement of these Russian arbitral awards in the High Court in London
- **Tomskneft** in coordinating its defense in an enforcement action in France, Ireland and Singapore of an international arbitral award obtained by Yukos Capital in 2007 in New York. The dispute settled without any monetary or other payments from Tomskneft
- **Samaraneftegaz** in coordinating its defense in an enforcement action in New York concerning Yukos Capital request for confirmation of an ICC award granting recovery under certain loans extended in 2004. The dispute settled without any monetary or other payments from Samaraneftegaz

Labor matters

- Advising major international and Russian clients of the firm on complex Russian labor matters, including representation in negotiating labor disputes with top-managers

Mergers & Acquisitions / Capital Markets

- Advising **Rosneft** in its \$55 billion acquisition of TNK-BP making Rosneft the world's largest publicly-traded oil and gas producer (2013)
- Advising **Transmashholding** in its sale of a 25% interest to Alstom SA and related joint venture, technology transfer and management support arrangements with Alstom for the development and production of modern rail cars for the Russian and other markets (2011)
- Advising **Kuzbassrazrezugol** in its debut \$200 million Eurobond (2007)

Education

- New York University School of Law – Masters of Law (LL.M) (2013-2014)
- Higher School of Economics (Moscow) - Attorney at Law (Summa cum laude) (2002-2007)

Admission to Practice

- Russia, New York (United States of America)

Membership

- Member of the Steering Committee of the Russian Chapter of CIArb
- Fellow of Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (FCIArb)
- ICC YAF Regional Representative for Russia for 2019-2021
- RAA40 Co-Chair (2017-2019)

Publications

- Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Awards in Russia and Former CIS Countries, (co-author of selected chapters), Russian Arbitration Association (2019)
- ABA Year In Review, An Annual Survey of International Legal Developments and Publication of the ABA Section of International Law for Year 2018, Russia/Eurasia Section (co-author) (2019)
- Scientific and Practical Article-by-Article Commentary to the Legislation on Arbitration (co-author of commentaries to selected articles), Capital Press (2017)
- Asian Arbitration Centers: Challenge to the Traditional Arbitration Institutions?, Law (2015)