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#### **EDUCATION**

MCL., Law and Finance, Columbia University School of Law, May 2012, New York, USA.

M.Juris., International Banking and Financial Law, Corporate Finance Law, and Investment Banking, Faculty of Law, Oxford University, 2008, Oxford, UK.

M.A (LL.M)., International Commercial Law, Faculty of Law, Cambridge University, 2006, Cambridge, UK.

M.A., Civil and Economic Law, Baku State University, 2005, Baku, Azerbaijan.1st class.

B.A (J.D)., Law, Faculty of Law, Baku State University, 2003.1st class.

The College of West Virginia, Exchange Undergraduate Program, School of Business, School of Arts and Sciences, English Language Institute, 2000-2001, WV, USA.

Drexel University, Preparation Academic Program, Summer 2000, Philadelphia, USA.

## AWARDS AND HONOURS

Honors/Distinction, Harlan Fiske Stone Award-Columbia University School of Law, May 2012.

Honors, Parker School Recognition of A for Outstanding Achievement in International Law-Columbia University School of Law, May 2012.

Fellowship, Fulbright Foreign Student Program, US Department of State, 2011-12.

Scholarship, Weidenfeld Scholarship and Leadership Program, Club of

Three/Weidenfeld Institute for Strategic Dialogue/Oxford University, 2007-2008.

Scholarship, Scatcherd European Scholarship, Oxford University, 2007-2008.

Scholarship, Shell Centenary Scholarship, Shell/Oxford University, 2007-2008.

Scholarship, Cambridge University Overseas Trust and Board of Graduate Studies, 2005-2006.

Highest Honors, Faculty of Law, Baku State University, 2005.

Highest Honors, Faculty of Law, Baku State University, 2003.

Scholarship, U.S. Department of State, Freedom Support Act, Non-Degree Undergraduate Program, 2000-2001.

# WORK EXPERIENCE

Senior Lecturer of Business Law and Business Ethics, School of Business, ADA University, Baku, Azerbaijan, September 2013-to Present.

- Teach Business Law Course (BBA)
- Teach Business Ethics Course (BBA)
- Teach Legal and Ethical Environment in Business Course (MBA)
- Teach Leadership, Ethics and Communication Course (BBA).

ADA University, Director, Office of Disability Services and Inclusive Education, Baku, Azerbaijan, June 2013-to Present.

- Coordinate and Manage the Office of Disability Services, Inclusion and Equal Opportunities.
- Work closely with National and International NGOs on Disability and Civil Rights, Equal Opportunities and Inclusion and Disability Related Matters.
- Organize and Conduct Training Sessions on Disability, Equal Opportunities and Inclusion for Students, Researchers, Scholars, Faculty Members, University Representatives, Mass Media Representatives, NGOs and Government Agencies.
- Represent the university at national, regional and international levels on disability, inclusion and equal opportunity related matters.

Practical Solutions Group, Senior Legal Consultant (part-time), Baku, Azerbaijan, April 2013-To Present.

• Advice on oil and gas projects, energy projects (upstream, midstream and downstream projects), energy regulations, project finance, corporate social responsibility, maritime law, corporate law, mergers and acquisitions, tax law, labour law, contract law, construction law, EPC Contracts,

Intellectual Property Licensing Agreements on Patented Technologies, investments, Initial public offerings (IPOs), securities and capital markets, banking and financial law, secured and syndicated lending, financial regulations, EU Competition law, Islamic finance, and general business law issues.

• Conduct legal research, prepare and review contracts, legal memoranda and relevant documentation, and participate in structuring, negotiations and implementation of projects.

Forum Law Center, Chairman, Baku, Azerbaijan, December 2013-present.

- Coordinate and Manage Forum Law Center,
- Manage Programs on Assisting Legal and Judicial Reforms in Azerbaijan and Implementation of International and European standards into the national legal system
- Conduct Legal Research in Different Fields of Law
- Manage and Conduct Program on Raising Awareness of the Population about Law, Public Policies, and Regulations in Azerbaijan Republic
- Organize Training Sessions and Seminars for Government Officials on Legal Education, Leadership and Management
- Work closely with government agencies, International Organizations, Universities, National and International NGOs on legal, judicial and human rights reforms and improving the quality of legal education in Azerbaijan
- Conduct and Manage Programs on Disability Rights Law and Legal Environment in Business American Bar Association CEELI Inc, Consultant on Disability Rights Law, Maritime, Energy, and Oil and Gas Law Program, Baku, Azerbaijan, January-October 2013.
  - Helped ABA CEELI Inc, USAID and Tulane University Law School set up as well as coordinate
    a new Graduate Legal Program in Maritime and Energy Law at the Master's Level at the Law
    Faculty of Baku State University
  - Organized and Conducted Training Sessions for Law Professors and Helped Organize an International Conference on Maritime and Energy Law.
  - Conducted training sessions on Disability Rights and Access to Justice for People with Disabilities

Lecturer (part-time), Faculty of Law, Baku State University, Baku, Azerbaijan, August 2013-July 2014.

- Taught Maritime Law Course
- Taught Ship Finance and Documentation Course
- Taught Energy, Oil and Gas Law

Qafqaz University, Lecturer (part-time) on Law, Business and International Trade, Baku, Azerbaijan, January 2013-To Present.

JP Morgan Chase & Co, Investment Bank, Legal and Compliance, New York, Summer Associate, June-September 2012.

- Conducted legal and investment research, helped in preparation and review of legal and investment documentation and legal memoranda related to financial, investment banking, and investment/asset management industry.
- Attended corporate meetings at different levels and helped to provide legal and investment
  advice in connection with regulatory, compliance, structured finance, capital markets, M&A
  and other investment banking activities.
- Developed and Improved knowledge of corporate finance law, Equity Capital Markets, Debt Capital Markets, Mergers & Acquisitions, Bankruptcy, Insolvency and Restructuring, structured finance, derivatives and securitization law.
- Significantly improved interpersonal skills in a pressurised business environment.

Lawyer on Energy, Oil and Gas Law, British Petroleum, Baku, Azerbaijan, June 2010-July 2011.

- Conducted legal research, prepared and reviewed contracts such as PSAs, service agreements, concessions, oil-field service and drilling contracts, licensing and pipeline and marine transportation issues, financing documentation and other matters.
- Prepared and Reviewed letters and legal memoranda related to oil and gas industry.
- Attended corporate meetings and conducted negotiations at different levels, including meetings with the government of Azerbaijan Republic.
- Provided legal advice in connection with M&A, Financial Law, oil, gas and energy law.
- Developed and Improved commercial experience and knowledge of oil and gas industry.

• Developed strong teamwork, networking, time-management and multi-taking skills as well as tolerance and patience in stressful situation.

Legal Adviser, New World Frontiers, Co., Ltd., Baku, Azerbaijan, August 2009-May 2010.

- Advised company on issues of civil law, contract law, financial law, banking law, and customs law
- Conducted legal research, helped in preparation of contracts, and legal memoranda for review by managers.
- Learned how to apply my legal skills in a highly competitive commercial context. Developed commercial awareness and construction industry knowledge.

Assistant to the General Counsel, The College of West Virginia, WV, USA, 2000-2001.

- Assisted in preparing and reviewing University policies regarding reasonable accommodation for students with disabilities.
- Reviewed University policy for compliance with American Disabilities Act

# OTHER EXPERIENCE

Vocational Scheme Program, Clifford Chance LL.P (International Law Firm)., London, UK, January 2009.

Assessment Day, Linklaters LL.P., (International Law Firm) London, UK, April 2008.

Open Day and Training Course, Goldman Sachs, Investment Banking Division, January 2008, London, UK.

Training Course, Citigroup International, Investment Banking Division, November 2007, London, UK. Practical Workshop, Lehman Brothers, Investment Banking Division, November 2007, London, UK. Legal Training Program, College of Law, December 2007, London, UK.

Volunteer, *Azerbaijan Blind Society*, (NGO for the Blind and Visually Impaired), Baku, Azerbaijan, May 2007.

- Helped to prepare organization's statute.
- Undertook research regarding issues relevant to the blind and visually impaired.
- Prepared the appropriate policy and procedures for providing reasonable accommodation for people with disabilities in education.

Internship, completed internship with the Office of the District Attorney, WV, USA, 2001.

• Assisted in preparing cases for trial, prepared witness lists, and broke the case file down for prosecution.

Internship, County Courthouse, Beckley, WV, USA, 2001.

• Attended court hearings.

Volunteer, Beckley Police Department, WV. 2000-2001.

- Assisted Domestic Violence Officer in preparing legal and other documentation to assist victims of domestic violence
- Prepared documentation and statistics for use by the Prosecutor's Office and other government agencies.

# **EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

World Bank Conference on Disability Assessment, Presented Paper on the Legal Aspects of the Access to Education and Employment by People with Disabilities, Baku, Azerbaijan, December 2014.

World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) Conference, Presented Paper on Comparative analysis of Copyright Law, Marrakesh Convention on Intellectual Property and Access to Information by Blind and Visually Impaired People, Baku, Azerbaijan, December 2014.

Global Business and Technology Association Conference (GBATA)/ADAU, Presented Paper on *Deal-Making and Cross-Border Transaction Negotiation*, Baku, Azerbaijan, June 2014.

Institute for Strategic Dialogue, Oxford University and Weidenfeld-Hofman Trust, International Leadership Forum for Weidenfeld Scholars, Participated and Presented Paper on Leadership in Legal Profession, London, UK, June 2014.

Tulane University School of Law (USA), Law Faculty of Baku State University and Chevron, Current International Legal Issues of Concern in Azerbaijan Conference, Presented Paper on Maritime Law of Azerbaijan and CIS Region and Advantages of Using Arbitration for Resolution of Maritime Disputes: Worldwide Security and Enforcement, Baku, Azerbaijan, May 2014.

International Research Networks, Central Asia and Caspian Oil and Gas Security Forum 2014, Presented Paper on Transportation of Oil and Gas over the Caspian Sea and legal framework concerning maritime safety and security, prevention and response to maritime collision and pollution cases involving oil tankers, platforms and pipelines, Baku, Azerbaijan, April 2014.

British Azerbaijan Law Association and Withers LLP, English Law as a Governing Law in International Commercial Transactions Conference, Presented Paper on the English Law Approach to International Project Finance Transactions, Baku, Azerbaijan, April 2014.

American Bar Association (ABA), Tulane University Law School, BP and Herbert Smith Freehills LLP (Law Firm), Energy and Maritime Law in Azerbaijan National and International Perspectives Conference, Presented Paper on the Legal Status of the Caspian Sea ,Extraction of Oil and Gas (Hydrocarbons) in the Caspian Basin and Energy Disputes, Baku, Azerbaijan, May 2013.

JP Morgan Chase & Co/Harvard Mentor Management Course, New York, August 2012.

JP Morgan Chase & Co/New York State CLE Board, New York CLE Certificate, Anti-Tying - Bank Holding Company Act Rules, New York, June 2012.

JP Morgan Chase & Co/New York State CLE Board, New York CLE Certificate, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, New York, July 2012.

JP Morgan Chase & Co/New York State CLE Board, New York CLE Certificate, Dodd-Frank: Recent Developments Affecting Derivatives, New York, July 2012.

JP Morgan Chase & Co/New York State CLE Board, New York CLE Certificate, The 2012 Code of Conduct, New York, July 2012.

JP Morgan Chase & Co/New York State CLE Board, New York CLE Certificate, Eliminating Bias and Discrimination, New York, July 2012.

Harvard Law School, Harvard Association for Law and Business Second Annual Symposium, Presented Paper on International Business Transactions-Comparative Analysis between CIS, EU and the USA, Cambridge MA, May 2012.

Columbia Law School Conference on the Current Role and Problems of International Court of Justice (ICJ) and International Criminal Court, Presented Paper on the Statute of the ICJ and its limitations, New York, April 2012.

United States Naval Academy Conference on Foreign Affairs, Presented Paper on Threats to the West and Money Laundering, Annapolis, MD, USA, April 2012.

Baker Botts LLP (International Law Firm), Seminar on Energy, Oil and Gas Transactions, Participated and Presented Paper on the Financing of International Energy Projects/Project Finance Agreements, New York, March 2012.

Cleary Gottlieb LLP (International Law Firm), Attended Seminar and Presented Paper on International Commercial Arbitration, New York, March 2012.

Simpson Thacher LLP (International Law firm), Attended Seminar and Presented a Paper on Merger and Acquisition Transactions, New York, February 2012.

US Department of State, Leadership Seminar and Fulbright Conference, Nashville, USA, February 2012. Institute for Strategic Dialogue, London, UK, October 2010, Leadership Seminar.

Salans LLP," Good Drafting Practice", Seminar, Baku, Azerbaijan, July 2009.

Baker & McKenzie LLP, "Project Finance and Islamic Finance" Conference, Baku, Azerbaijan, June 2009.

Blind in Business, August 2008, Magdalene College, Cambridge University, Education to Employment Training Course.

Weidenfeld Institute for Strategic Dialogue, Sussex, UK, April 2008, Weidenfeld Scholarships Leadership Seminar.

German Technical Cooperation Society (GTZ), 2004-2005, completed courses in International Business Transactions (with Honours), Comparative Law (with Honours),.

Civic Education Project/Central European University, Fall 2003, completed International Law Course (with Honours), Political Violence and Terrorism Course (with Honours) and Legal Writing and Reasoning Course (with Honours).

American Studies Center, 2001-2003, attended lectures concerning political science,

International relations, and law.

American Bar Association, 2003, completed Trial Practice Course (with Honours).

Civic Education Project/Central European University, 2001-2002, completed courses in Legal Skills (with Honours) and Introduction to American Legal System (with Honours).

Civic Education Project, "Transitions from Communism to What" Conference, Tbilisi, Georgia, 2002.

Baku State University Student Conference, 1998-1999, 2002-2003.

**LANGUAGES**: Azeri-Native Fluency. Russian, English, Turkish-Fluent

## **INTERESTS**

Reading, Travelling, Judo, Swimming, Disability Studies, Investment Management and Law.

I am also one of the Founders and Leader of ESG-asset management consultancy start-up-http://www.expertsolutiongroup.com/

## REFERENCES

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