



EXPERIENCE

INTEGRITY

IMPACT

2021

VORONOV & PARTNERS

THE FIRM

We provide advice to clients in business matters and protection of clients' rights in difficult disputes with an opponent of any caliber including discrepancies with state regulators and allegations from the law enforcement bodies.

We have expertise of handling cases with advanced difficulty in all and every judicial stages as well as with many state authorities in Kazakhstan and often abroad.

Our partners' background includes advising and protecting clients in business matters and criminal investigations, work in law enforcement system of Kazakhstan, legislature branch in Parliament and legal advice to Kazakhstani and international investors on key areas of our country's economy.





VITALIY VORONOV

Chairman of the Supervisory Board

Graduated from the Law Faculty of Tomsk State University. In 1980-s Mr. Voronov worked for 6 years as prosecuting detective in Russia and Kazakhstan and received award for winning contest among prosecution detectives in Kazakhstan in 1987.

In 1990 Mr. Voronov wins elections into 12th Convocation of the supreme legislative authority of Soviet Kazakhstan, Supreme Council, which created legislative fundament for transfer of independent Kazakhstan into the market economy. As one of the most effective Parliament members he was further elected as member of the Presidium of the Supreme Council. He actively participated in drafting and adoption of legislation including Declaration on Sovereignty of the Republic of Kazakhstan, Constitution of the Republic of Kazakhstan, Law On State Independence of the Republic of Kazakhstan, first laws on private property, privatization, concessions, land, mortgages and many other pieces of legislation that became basis for the economic growth of the new country.

Mr. Voronov was one of the main authors of many Codes, over 20 Laws and numerous legal enactments that were adopted during the first years of Kazakhstan's independence. In association with other Parliament members Mr. Voronov initiated establishment Human Rights Committee of the Supreme Council. He participated as delegate of the 49th United Nations Conference in New York.

In 1993-1994 Mr. Voronov was appointed Assistant to the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan. Currently he is Chairman of the Governors Board of the anticorruption social fund Transparency Kazakhstan.





VITALIY VORONOV

Chairman of the Supervisory Board

Selected practical experience:

- ✓ Successful defense of corporate clients against hostile takeovers and raiders' attacks;
- ✓ Advice to international investors on claiming and successfully collecting debts from the Government;
- ✓ Participating as criminal lawyer protecting clients in high-profile criminal cases with investigators from KNB (KGB), financial police, prosecutor's office and other law-enforcement bodies;
- ✓ Representing two Prime-Ministers of the Republic of Kazakhstan;
- ✓ Protecting interests of foreign hedge fund and rights of minority shareholders in the dispute with international financial group in Kazakhstan;
- ✓ Participation as arbitrator in international arbitrations and courts on cases with involvement of companies from Kazakhstan;
- ✓ Achieving reversal of illegitimate judicial awards on the level by the Supreme Court with regards to innocent parties and many other high profile judicial cases.





AIDAR YEGEUBAYEV

Managing Partner

In 1993 Aidar Yegeubayev won scholarship from the US Information Agency (US State Department) under Future Leaders Exchange Program. In 1998 he graduated International Law Faculty of Kazakh State Law University and in 2008 received economist's diploma at the Financial Academy of the Government of the Russian Federation. In 2014-2015 Mr. Yegeubayev completed executive education advanced courses on difficult negotiations at Harvard Negotiations Institute in Cambridge, Massachusetts, USA.

Between 1996 and 2013 Aidar Yegeubayev built successful career at law firms including CMS Cameron McKenna LLP, Bracewell and Baker McKenzie as well as PwC where he was Director leading Kazakhstani law practice and was focused on capital markets, M&A and assets structuring.

In 2008 Aidar was appointed as Managing Director of the first private equity fund in Kazakhstan where he lead successful negotiations on establishment of 8 investment funds with other seed investors including EBRD, IFC, IPIC, McQuarrie Renaissance, CITIC Capital Holdings, Cheung Kong Enterprises Holdings Limited, Hong Kong Development Fund, Government of Tajikistan, Government of Kyrgyzstan, etc. In 2013-2017 Mr. Yegeubayev acted as Vice President at the largest oil drilling holding in Kazakhstan being responsible for strategic legal issues, corporate governance and HR policies.

He is arbitrator of Kazakhstan International Arbitrage, member of the Governors' Council of Transparency Kazakhstan. In 2020 he was selected in competition as international legal expert at the subsidiary of the Ministry of Energy of the Republic of Kazakhstan. Author of the course on Energy Law and in 2019 became adjunct professor at KIMEP Law School. Mr. Yegeubayev wrote articles with topics on law, economy and literature.





AIDAR YEGEUBAYEV

Managing Partner

Selected practical experience:

- ✓ Leading 13 ECM and DCM transactions by oil & gas companies, banks and other issuers for a total amount of over USD 5,600,000,000;
- ✓ Structuring private equity funds with total commitments up to 2,300,000,000;
- ✓ Structuring advice to quasi-state and UHNI holding structures (Kazmunaigaz Processing Marketing, Astana Group, Aitas, Chagala, etc.) on assets restructurings with multiple jurisdictions;
- ✓ Due diligence, negotiations and successful acquisition of controlling stake in oil terminal in Batumi, Georgia on behalf of national oil transportation company KazTransOil;
- ✓ Advising EBRD on debt & equity investments in telecom, medical and poultry projects in Kazakhstan including security packages and providing legal opinions;
- ✓ Over 40 M&A transactions in Kazakhstan and CIS on behalf of international and local investors;
- ✓ Representing Kazakhstan Government for the first country's EOIR rating by OECD at the Global Forum On Transparency and Exchange of Information for Tax Purposes in Vaduz, Liechtenstein in 2018.



WE CONTRIBUTE IN MANY WAYS:

- ✓ Developing effective defense strategies and deal structures;
 - ✓ Difficult negotiations and pre-trial dispute settlements;
 - ✓ Advice and representation in courts on difficult cases with state authorities and large corporations;
 - ✓ Complex legal analyses including handling of internal investigations;
 - ✓ Advice on structuring transactions with investments preempting dispute settlement issues (choice of applicable law, jurisdiction, protection of investments under international law);
 - ✓ M&A transactions;
 - ✓ Legal and tax assets structuring;
 - ✓ Assistance with capital market transactions in Kazakhstan and abroad;
 - ✓ Advice on white-collar and other criminal cases
- etc.



FEEDBACK

«I know Vitaly for decades. Not only he is highly qualified professional, citizen and patriot of highest sort but he is also person with many exceptional personal skills and talents which are vital for any lawyer. It is always an obvious choice for me where I need to receive legal advice for which I am quite grateful. I wish Vitaly further success with law which is absolute must for the rule of law and justice. We need you.»

Rashid Nugmanov, movie director and film maker.

«I always valued two qualities. High professionalism and high personal skills. Vitaly Voronov fully possesses both of these qualities.»

Sergey Tereshenko, Prime Minister of the Republic of Kazakhstan in 1991-1994

«Vitaly Voronov made significant contribution into development of fundamental basis of legislative framework in our country from the first days of its independence. This contribution still makes an impact on many economic areas of our country.»

Zeinulla Kakimzhanov, businessman

«Today Vitaly Voronov is one of the leaders of the legal community. His work within the Supreme Council which was the first professional and independent parliament of the independent Kazakhstan had great influence on the legislature. It was in these walls where his talent of legal expert made an impact on the whole legislative branch of the Republic of Kazakhstan.»

Zhumageldy Yelubayev, PhD, professor, MCI Arb, Chairman of Kazakhstan Bar Association



FEEDBACK

«Aidar Yegeubayev is a strong team-player and can be relied on to provide an incisive approach to dealing with issues; he is committed and consistently delivers work of extremely high quality.»

David Griston, ex-partner at Clifford Chance

«Aidar is a professional, who is able to lead his team and achieve success even in difficult and, at the first glance, unmanageable situations.»

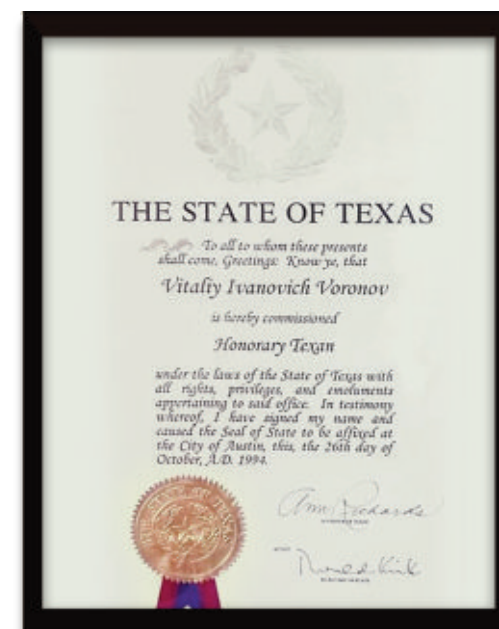
Xeniya Klauzan, PwC Zurich

«Aidar Yegeubayev attained a very good grounding in corporate and finance law and transactions as well as exposure to a wide range of industries, almost always involving foreign direct investment in Kazakhstan.»

Thomas Johnson, ex-Senior Partner at Almaty office of Cameron McKenna

«I would like to recommend Aidar as a true professional in law. It worth to be mentioned his outstanding ability to find a good contact with people notwithstanding their level, rank, age, areas of interest, etc. Aidar has a significant experience in finance, banking law as well as in M&A.»

Margarita Tyan, Corporate Secretary, First Heartland Securities



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