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Nationality: **Georgian**

Current Position: **Office Managing Partner at DLA Piper Georgia LP**

Professional Experience

- DLA Piper Georgia LP, 2014 - present, Office Managing Partner, Head of Litigation and Regulatory Group;
 - DLA Piper Georgia LP, 2010 - 2014, Partner, Head of Litigation and Regulatory Group;
 - DLA Piper Georgia LP, 2005 - 2010, Senior Associate, Legal Director;
 - Ernst & Young Legal LLC, 2003 - 2005, Senior Associate;
 - Baker Botts L.L.P., Houston, USA, Summer 2003, Visiting Foreign Attorney;
 - Georgian Consulting Group Law Office, 2000 - 2002, Associate;
 - JSC TBC Bank, 1997 - 2000, General Counsel.
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Arbitration Experience

- DLA Piper Georgia LP - working on various arbitration cases of the firm, including ICSID arbitration;
 - Representing various clients on recognition and enforcement of arbitration awards in Georgia;
 - Member of Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (MCI Arb).
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Education Background

- Washington University School of Law, St. Louis, Missouri, Master of Laws (LL.M.), 2002 - 2003;
 - Central European University (CEU), Budapest, Hungary, Master of Arts in Political Science & Political Economy, 1996 - 1997;
 - Tbilisi State University, Tbilisi, Georgia, Diploma in Law with honors, 1990 - 1995.
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Expertise

Litigation and dispute resolution, energy, commercial/business law, corporate law, mergers and acquisitions, banking and financial services, investments, project and corporate finance.

Practice Location/ Jurisdiction

- Georgia
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Working Languages

- Georgian
 - English
 - Russian
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Other Relevant Experience

- Founding member of the Georgian Bar Association;

- Member of the Georgian Young Lawyers' Association (GYLA);
- Member of Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (MCI Arb);
- Member of the Energy, Mining and Utilities Committee of the American Chamber of Commerce in Georgia (AMCHAM);
- Chairman of Legislative Framework Development Committee at Business Association of Georgia;
- Former member of Judicial Reform Committee of American Chamber of Commerce in Georgia (AMCHAM).