

About us

KIAP offers legal support to corporate and private clients under Russian and foreign law.

KIAP, Attorneys at Law, is a leading firm according to the Pravo-300 «Sympathy Rating – 2017» and Law Firm of the year in Russia in the field of litigation according to Best Lawyers 2020. Second year in a row our Litigation practice is represented in Band 1 of Chambers Europe international rating.

We are a full service law firm with a track record of successes in key areas of law and many sectors.

Among KIAP clients there are major Russian and foreign companies, top companies of the world largest companies rankings Fortune Global 500, Forbes Global 2000, RBK 500, etc.

On KIAP's team are 40 attorneys at law, associates and patent attorneys, 10 of them are partners. KIAP has an extensive international and regional network of affiliates.

Clients



Retail



Telecommunications, the Media, Technology, Electronics





Chemical industry



Sports

Food industry



Aviation



Fuel and Energy



Banks, Finance, Insurance, Finance Lease, Investment



Pharmaceuticals



Perfumes and Cosmetics



Transport and Logistics



Property development

Ratings



KIAP, Attorneys at Law



























Why KIAP?

Capital Letter Idea

What we live and breathe is an idea. We are building a strong, competitive national brand: we invest in young lawyers, support social initiatives, promote consensus among the professional community. We are convinced that the majority of our clients share our values, that is why we are on the same page with them. We all come from different business areas, so we have a wealth of experience and broad-based knowledge. This generates synergy for effective management of clients' cross-industry projects.





Happiness as a business model

To date we have managed to put in place a one-of-a-kind corporate culture, which is based on trust, emotional attachment to the brand and happiness of employees in their everyday professional life. Our forte is persistence and a special blend of personal qualities — proactiveness and positive thinking.

High pace

High rate of progress is our success formula. We are aware that individual contributions drive teamwork and KIAP's overall growth. We are not afraid of setting ambitious goals for ourselves and seek the speediest ways of achieving them. At the same time, we have our feet firmly on the ground and we give no hasty recommendations thinking several moves ahead.





Balance between legislation and its enforcement

Not only are we scrupulous in reviewing the legislation, but we also closely monitor its enforcement by state regulators and judicial authorities. In this context, we advise clients, draft documents and support transactions with due regard to potential supervisory and litigation risks. Si vis pacem, para bellum.

Technology

We are at the cutting edge of IT penetration in the Russian legal services market. KIAP's growth strategy is predicated on state-of-the-art technologies. We follow the latest developments in design thinking and data visualization. KIAP publishes legal analytics in the form of infomercials, produces 3D presentations, and takes full advantage of the capabilities of social networks and business process automation systems.



Associations



















Social projects

Law for Children Charity Programme: donation of legal costs recovered

International Charity Legal Run

Charity chess tournament Legal Chess

Annual Undergraduate Academic and Applied Research Competition at the Law Instituteof Northern (Arctic) Federal University (NAFU)

Providing support to students of the Russian Academy of Justice at the international rounds of the Willem C. Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot

Providing support to the RAFT team at the International student competition on international commercial arbitration named after M.G. Rosenberg

KIAP lawyers are successfully engaged in teaching activities at the law departments of the country's leading institutions of higher education











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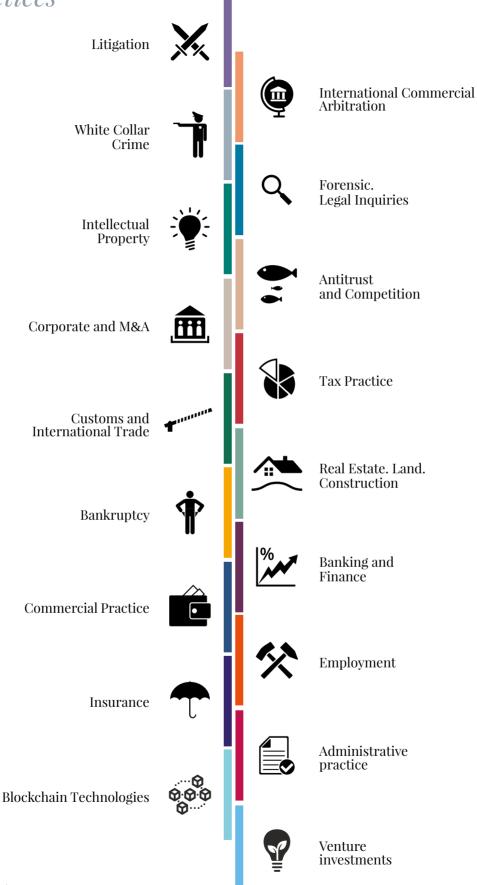


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KIAP's entertaining video infographics for the Lawyer's Day : kiaplaw.ru/lawyer

Practices





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66 KIAP is one of the leaders in litigation.

Legal 500 EMEA

- Residential, land and other real property disputes
- Finance and investment disputes, including bonds and default issues
 - > Insurance disputes
 - Environment and natural resources
 - Administrative disputes (disputes with state bodies)
 - > Customs disputes
 - Tax disputes
 - Life and wealth damage compensation disputes
 - Banking disputes
 - > Business reputation and libel disputes

SERVICES

> Commercial (business)

Corporate disputes

disputes

- Antimonopoly disputes
 - > Cyberspace disputes
- Aviation and aircraft construction disputes

- Disputes in the oil and gas sector, including disputes in the power and heat energy sector
 - > Leasing disputes
 - > Employment disputes
 - Intellectual property protection disputes
 - Mock-trials (test or imitation trials):

Light mock-trial (preliminary analysis of key documents, oral hearing, preparation of a report with recommendations)

Complex mock-trial (preliminary dispute analysis, selection of an arbitrator, psychological aspects, complete evaluation of the evidence base, assessment of procedural documents of the case, development of a «history» and a trial strategy, oral hearings, preparation of a comprehensive report with recommendations)

- > Bankruptcy disputes
- Consumer issues and issues of wholesale and retail trading

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> International owner of large office centers located in Moscow

Representation of the interests in a series of disputes on the establishment of the cadastral value of the buildings. As a result, the cadastral value was reduced by more than 1 billion RUB.

> Irish Bank Resolution Corporation Limited

Representing the Client's interests in a series of disputes related to the bankruptcy of a major international financial group, including execution of judgments from the Republic of Belize and the Republic of Northern Ireland by RF SCC (amount at issue: 200+ mln euros).

> Largest Russian insurance company

related to thirty foreign reinsurers, including the members of the Lloyd's insurance cartel, which rejected the claims to pay reinsurance money in the amount of more than 40 million dollars in connection with the crash of a Sukhoi Superjet aircraft in Indonesia in 2012. Based on the results of different-level courts considering the disputes, the claims were upheld in full and are currently being enforced on the territory of foreign countries.



PROJECTS

> Largest Russian holding in the electric-power supply industry

Representing of the Client in litigation with the E4 company to recover an advance of 3.5 bln RUB (about 100 mln US dollars in 2014). Dispute over the termination of contract to supply a powerplant acquired for the Serov State District Power Station construction project. Client's claim was granted: the supply contract was terminated and the advance refunded.

> Major foreign insurance company

Representing the Client in a dispute with a foreign reinsurer on a reinsurance recovery in the total amount of more than USD 35 million arising out of the accident at the Sayano-Shushenskaya hydropower plant (total damage over USD 200 million). The result - the Client's claim was satisfied in full, afterwards the decision was enforced in the territory of Switzerland

> Largest Asian pharmaceutical company

Representation of the Client's interests in a dispute related to recovery of insurance compensation in the amount of more than 100 million RUB from one of the largest insurance companies in Russia. As a result, insurance compensation was paid in full, dispute was settled by the amicable agreement.

> Top manager of a large retail chain

Representing the Client's interests in a dispute on recovery of damages from the Client in the amount of several tens of millions of RUB. The courts of all in stances, including the Supreme Court of the Russian Federation, found the company's position to be erroneous and decided that there was no fact of any losses as a result of the actions of the top manager.

> One of the world's largest oil service companies

Representing the Client's interests in a dispute on recovery of the cost of drilling equipment worth more than 100 million RUB. The court confirmed the position of the Client and the claim was satisfied in full.

> Largest office and warehouse complex in Moscow

Representation of the Client's interests after a fire with the damage worth more than 100 million RUB. As a result of a longstanding litigation, the case was successfully completed in favor of the Principal.

> Heat generating organization

Representing the Client in disputes with an unfair consumer – housing management company, including in the Presidium of the Supreme Commercial Court, which made precedent setting decision to prevent communal services providers' release from liability for the quality of these services' provision.

> One of the largest retail chains

Representing the Client's interests protecting its investments in a number of disputes in several regions of the Russian Federation totaling 5 billion RUB. As a result all disputes were resolved in our Client's favor.





66 KIAP is a standout team of breakthrough litigators. Legal 500 EMEA

- > Legal representation before Russian courts in matters involving recognition and enforcement of foreign arbitral awards, in resulting proceedings (interim measures in support of arbitration etc.) and support in foreign jurisdictions
- > Obtaining, analysis and legalization of evidence in arbitration
- Asset search in Russia and abroad
- > Legal representation in international commercial arbitration in Russia and abroad

> Negotiation in international commercial arbitration, mediation



- > Advice on arbitration agreements, validity and enforceability of arbitration agreements
- > Advice on strategies in international commercial arbitration

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> MTS retail chain
Representing the client in making dispute against or leading manufacturers
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> One of the major Republic of Belarus



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related to the bankruptcy of a major international financial group, including execution of judgments from the Republic of Belize and the Republic of Northern Ireland by RF SCC (amount at issue: 200+ mln euros).





66 Highly dedicated team.

Legal 500 EMEA

- Consultations and representation of clients' interests in cases related to the issues of financial nature or corrupt practice, including tax and white-collar crimes
- Planning, coordination and implementation of internal corporate investigations with respect to potential offences

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- > Consultations concerning the laws targeting antimoney laundering issues, bribery and corrupt practices, as well as concerning compliance with prescribed procedures in those areas for the prevention of such crimes
- Business projects and agreements evaluation to verify compliance with criminal law

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White Crime

> Management of a company well-known in the Russian and international

PROJECTS

> Chief executive officer of the

Representing the interests at the stage of the preprosecutorial check conducted by the officers of the Russian Federal Security Service in response to the embezzlement of public funds committed by a group of individuals on a particularly large scale. No criminal proceedings were instituted based on the investigation results.

66 All of KIAP's lawyers are responsive, enthusiastic and fight hard to achieve the best possible result.

Chambers Europe

- > Confidential examination and analysis of the actions of the management and employees of a company in respect of potential abuses, including in respect of their actions having any formal elements of crimes in favor of the shareholders (the owners of the company)
- > Verification of the counterparties' legal discipline in transactions, collecting information on counterparty companies required to make business decisions
- > Collection, analysis and legalization of body of evidence for Russian and international civil and commercial litigation

> Examination of staff in company business units including legal and financial discipline (compliance)

FORENSIC

Internal investigation into corporate frauds and other abuses by the company's staff and business partners

FGAL INQUIT

> Advising other lawyers on complex legal cases (including criminal matters)

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> One of Europe's largest food manufacturers

HOrensic Formation of the second seco Carrying out of legal and financial due diligence they were considering whether to enter the the transaction is approximately one billion US

> Russian company

Conducting an internal corporate investigation director of the branches of the company in group became revealed, as well as the details of the fraudulent schemes the group was engaged the members of the group were

> In cooperation with financial audit specialists from one of the Big Four companies

A large-scale legal investigation was **PROJECTS** conducted in response to a number of alleged company funds embezzlethe investigation results, there were commission of the crime, including persons from among the former and current employees of the target company. There were facts revealed indicating the presence of the elements of corruption in their actions. Taking into account the evidence collected and on the basis of the materials also received by the officers of the central office of the Russian Fedbrought to criminal liability.

> Foreign bank

Gathering and vetting of evidence suggesting graft in an acquisition of a package of assets in Western bank. The findings were notified to the arrangements were made.

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> Russian business unit of a major international company operating in the advertising market

Conducting an internal investigation in response the Russian office employees. As a result of the examination conducted, there were revealed the elements of the crimes provided for in articles 159 of the Russian Criminal Code (fraud) and Article 165 of the Russian Criminal Code (causing property damage through under false pretenses and abuse of trust). The necessary body of evidence was reviewed and collected, ment officers for preprosecutorial examination, and a decision was made to initiate several criminal cases (with numerous episodes estab-

> Largest European manufacturer of construction materials

Carrying out of due diligence and examining the financial results and procedures of potential counterparties for our client. Our report assisted our client velop a distribution network in one of

> Oil company

Gathering of information about the company, its ultimate beneficiaries assessment of legal and financial exposure, bona fides and intentions of the asset seller. The project was informed decision on the acquisition of a regional petroleum company probe established that the company's

servants, with the public sector accounting for the close the deal on terms favourable to the client.

> International company producing alcoholic beverages

Representing the client as part of an internal ny's counterparty's employees. As a result of the investigation a number of company employees were found out to be participating in a series of illegal actions; the respective statements were filed with the law enforcement agencies, and employment relations with the above-mentioned employees became terminated.





A highly effective and client-friendly IP team, capable of handling the most complex projects. What I like most is that the lawyers offer workable solutions.

Chambers Europe

- > Trademarks: revocation, non-use actions, contesting decisions of Rospatent on trademark applications, domain names issues
 - > Defense of copyright and related rights
- > Challenging patents on inventions, utility models and industrial designs
- > Protection against unfair competition relating to infringement of IP
- > Legal representation before Rospatent, Arbitration tribunals and General Jurisdiction Courts, Federal Antimonopoly Service, Federal Customs Service and law enforcement agencies
 - > Disputes related to agreements on creation and use of intellectual property

- > Legal audit of intellectual property, including for the purpose of investment
- > Development of a comprehensive strategy to protect intellectual property in different jurisdictions
 - > Development and analysis of agreements on creating intellectual property, agreements on disposal of rights on intellectual property, R&D agreements
 - > Development and analysis of distributorship, service agreements, agents agreements including provisions on the use of intellectual property and confidential information

REGISTRATION

SERVICES

- > Registration, defense and maintenance of trademarks and patents, registration of inventions, utility models and industrial > Trademarks searches for designs in Russia and abroad
- > Software and domain names registration
 - > Protecting of digital IP

- identity and similarity, patent searches including FTO-research
- > Entering of trademarks and copyrights into Customs Register of Intellectual Property

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> Major international pharmaceutical company

Representing of a client in a long-term dispute as well as a drug on its basis before IP Court.

> Group of cosmetic companies

Comprehensive maintenance of an IP portfolio, including registration of assets in most foreign

> Big Russian confectionary company

Assisting the client in prevention of unfair competition from another which used packaging similar to client's packaging protected by a developing a legal position and Antimonopoly Service.



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> Major international air carrier

Defending in the case over the violation of exclusive rights to a

> Large international pharmaceutical company

Advising on the application of an agreement with a competing company for the disposal of rights on intellectual property (know-how, patents, trademarks) during importation and manufacture above-described IPO

> Major French manufacturer of household appliances

over the termination of the legal protection of a trademark in the Intellectual Property Court.

> One of the world's most up-and-coming iewelry brands

Full-service IP protection for the client starting from registration procedures up to protection of IP rights; cooperation with police officers regarding prevention of selling counterfeit

> Leading international marketing agency

Consulting on a wide range of issues related to the acquisition, disposal, and audit of IP assets, usage of intellectual property for incentive events and loyalty programs, and personal data processing.

> One of the global domain name registrars

Protecting of the client being sued content that Roskomnadzor (Federal Supervision Agency) found to be in

> Major Russian petrochemical company

instances in a dispute over the recovery of a licence fee and late charge in the amount of some 5,000,000 roubles. The claim has been granted in full, the opponent's counterclaim rejected in full.

> One of the leading Russian retail banks

Assisting the client in rebranding process being a creation of a unique scheme for obtaining exclusive rights to IP in terms of the project of prevention of unfair competition.



66 Ilya Ischuk is one of the best in antitrust law.

Legal 500 EMEA

> Endorsement with the Federal Antimonopoly Service of the Russian Federation of transactions on shares acquisition, property, rights concerning the Russian legal entities, endorsement of M&A

Antitruscompetition > Representation before the antimonopoly authorities: at the stage of document request and antimonopoly law compliance investigation; at the stage of case investigation; and at the stage of administrative law violation

> Issues relating to compliance of agreement and management activities with the antimonopoly law

SERVICES

> Appraisal of criminal and legal risks relating to antimonopoly law violations

> Representation of interests during litigation with the antimonopoly authorities in cases of antimonopoly law violation, as well as in cases of administrative law violation















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PROJECTS





66 KIAP team never gets ruffled under pressure and tight deadlines, always remaining calm and collected.

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- Planning the ownership and management structures for a group of companies
 - Analysis of options prior to transferring to a new structure
- > Obtaining government approvals
 - Development of effective transfer plan
- Development of operational solutions for business
 - Creating step by step plans for transfer to the new structure
- Coordination of structuring in foreign jurisdictions
 - Complex due diligence reviews
 - Negotiations and support in transaction completion and settlement
 - > Call/Put option agreements

- Consulting on corporate procedures
 - Preparing internal acts regulating the powers of the company's management bodies
 - Drafting of commercial contracts, including standard agreements
 - Internal control and compliance

MAR

- Structuring the transaction including financing aspects
 - Business restructuring to match the transaction
 - > Sale/Purchase of business
- > Shareholders' agreements

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EU and US sanctions against Russian citizens and businesses www.kiap.com/sanctions















Corporation W&A





PROJECTS





66 Very experienced in complex tax matters.

Legal 500 EMEA

- Actual income right, auto-exchange, tax residency: assessment and protection
- » «Second opinion»: revaluation of tax risks and stress testing
- CFC-related consulting, analysis and structuring

- > Tax Due Diligence
- Analyzing tax risks of transactions, business structures and procedures
 - Tax refund / Tax credit, VAT refund
 - Tax structuring of business and group of companies

DISPUTES

SERVICES

- Protecting company management and owners against subsidiary liability for the company's tax arrears
- Tax disputes: from support during tax audits to protection in courts
- Preparing for, and support during questioning

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> Tax disputes

private investment company, a major owner commercial courts in a landmark case for RUB property tax on a fixed asset after commissioning and until completion of all fit-out works in the building. Successfully contested all claims brought by the tax authority.

supply and discharge operator in commercial courts of three instances in a case related to period according to Article 54 of the Russian Tax Code. All claims brought by the tax authority total of RUB 20 million.

Successfully defended a Russian company, the only domestic producer of medical products for patients with sensitive needs, in commercial courts of three instances in a case regarding amount exceeded RUB 100 million. Successfully contested 100% of claims brought by the tax authority (80% in a pre-trial procedure, which is faster and less costly for the client, and 20% in arbitration).

Successfully represented a leading Russian industrial real estate VAT refund in the amount of RUB 180 million. Successfully contested 100% of claims brought by the tax authority.

company operating as part of a leading media holding company in Russia and Eastern Europe and tax recharacterization of transactions for a

> International tax planning

Advised a privately-owned Russian financial group, one of the top 35 major Russian companies, one of the top 5 leaders in the financial sector, and the largest private company in the segment according to RBC-500, regarding the tax consequences of applying Russian CFC rules, including the analysis of existing group structures, analysis of the implementation of CFCinternational tax law system and national laws of other jurisdictions, and analysis of tax residency and foreign exchange legislation matters.

> Advised a top manager of a leading and exporter regarding the analysis of the novelties in the Russian legislation concerning the amnesty of capital, their implementation in international tax law and national laws of other



PROJECTS

> Structuring in Russia (consulting, tax due diligence, tax audit. etc.)

Tax due diligence for a major Russian private water supply and discharge

offsetting additional tax assessments resulting from an on-site tax audit, without contesting the decision based on the audit results.

questioning by tax authorities of a top manager of a leading Russian industrial real estate developer.



During our cooperation your team demonstrated excellent knowledge in the areas of labor, tax, customs and corporate law, as well as on intellectual property issues. KIAP could be characterized by precision in execution of obligations, responsibility, innovative approach in solving complex tasks and excellent knowledge of the industry.

Anna Salivon, Head of Legal Department, Otto Group Russia

- > Customs clearance and customs control over imported and exported goods
- > International leasing transactions
- > Evaluation and minimization of customs risks
- > Compliance with prohibitions and restrictions

- > Protection of rights and lawful interests throughout measures undertaken by customs agencies for customs control purposes
- > Specifics of the foreign trade regulatory regime in light of Russia joining the Word Trade Organization (WTO)
- > Refunds of overpaid customs duties, taxes and recovery of interest for violation of the timeframe applicable to the
- > Estimation for the customs value of the goods and verification thereof
 - > Structure of transactions based on requirements of the customs and currency control laws and the rules of the WTO

applied in the event of import/ export of multicomponent items in unassembled/dismantled form

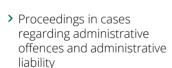
> Nuances of customs procedures

> Classification of goods and obtaining rulings of the customs authorities regarding such classification





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- > Re-assessment and recovery of customs duties
- > Wrongful refusal on part of the customs agencies to undertake requested actions or adopt requested rulings
- > Adjustments to the customs value of goods
- > Assistance in disputing unfounded demands by customs agencies

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> Clothing importer

Advocacy for the clitive actions for mis documents when All court rulings quashed by a the cases t tive actions for misdeclaration and filing of invalid quashed by a superior court, with proceedings in

> International trade company

Representing the client in an appeal against the decision of the Federal Customs Service on trade value correction. The above-mentioned decision was found unlawful by the courts, and the risk of the company being unjustifiably charged was

> Major trader

jected to a desktop customs audit, which resulted imports. A review of the audit findings suggested that the customs ruling could be challenged under a the complaint, the superior customs authority found the customs charges illegal and set aside the ruling.

> One of the marketing services providers

project on changing the FEACN classification code for the earlier imported customs duties. The court dispute initiated in the interests of the Principal at the Arbitrazh Court of Saint Petersburg and the Leningrad Region was finished by termination of proceedings in connection with the voluntary refund by the customs authority of the earlier customs payments made to the Principal's operating account.

> Major importer

Advising the client on the applicability of technical

> Global player in the garment market

Advising the client on customs valuation under

> Supplier of repair and construction materials

the Moscow Regional Customs Office concerning classification of goods in accordance with the Foreign Economic Activity Commodity Nomenclature (FEACN). The arbitration court recognized the customs authority ruling in respect of the classification of the goods to be illegal and ordered the customs authority to refund the excessively collected cus-

> Mining and smelting company

Successful defence of the client in several court rulings with respect to adjustments to the customs value for imported goods.

> Major trader

PROJECTS

Challenging a customs ruling requiring to pay extra the challenge upheld under a pre-action protocol and the customs ruling set California de la constanta de

> Trading company

the course of the verification of the customs value of the earlier imported Customs Administration. The customs found to be justified and the verification procedure discontinued.

> Subsidiary of a mining and smelting holding

refunds of customs duties enforced against the company. Result of the dispute: customs duties refunded, with the interest paid by the customs agency for having violated the timeframe with

> Major trader

Advising the client on changes in the TN VED [Export and Import Commodity Classification (IM-EXCC)] classification code for prior imports.



Sergey Popov has good knowledge of real estate matters and is a brilliant attorney and good negotiator.

Legal 500 EMEA

> Representation in Russian courts on issues of land and construction law as well as real estate. and privatization law

> Pre-trial dispute resolution procedures



- > Consultations on acquisitions and dispositions of real estate
- CONSULTIF
- > Legal advice on investments relating to construction projects, sites and works
- > Comprehensive advice on transactions for the acquisition of residential and commercial property in the Russian Federation, the UK, EU countries, Bulgaria, the US and Africa
- > Preparation and negotiation of contracts for construction projects, legal advice on contracts and consultations on construction projects carried out using FIDIC standard construction contracts or contracts that apply the principles or specific provisions of FIDIC
- > Legal advice on investments relating to construction projects, sites and works

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> Litigation



PROJECTS



66 KIAP provides excellent, responsive and innovative service.

Legal 500 EMEA

- Advice on criminal law mechanisms in bankruptcy
- Inclusion into the lenders' registry
 - > Blocking the transfer of assets from a debtor's estate

- Recovery of damages from the debtor's management
- Advice concerning liability of a subsidiary of a debtor
 - Requiring an insolvency officer to contest questionable transactions
 - Representation in court hearings and creditor committee meeting
 - > Pre bankruptcy forensic analysis



SERVICES

 Advising on the procedures of financial analysis and the extent of the oversight stage, external management and bankruptcy proceedings



- Representation of the debtor and insolvency officers in court hearings and creditor committee meetings
- Advising on bidding procedures in a bankruptcy action
- Developing the strategy of liquidation and corporate bankruptcy of a company
- Blocking unscrupulous lenders from inclusion into the registry of lenders
- Contesting questionable transactions on behalf of an insolvency officer
 - Representation of the management and incorporators of a debtor in claims for vicarious liability damages

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> Irish Bank Resolution Corporation Limited

of innovative products

PROJECTS

> One of the biggest airline

> Debtor's former director

> Debtor's former director



of alcoholic beverages







66 KIAP team has a sharp and analytical mind, expertise, impressive communication skills and unfailing commercial acumen.

Legal 500 EMEA

- Legal support of loan and credit deals including deals with various types of security
 - Legal support in financial disputes, including disputes regarding bank's rehabilitation and bankruptcy procedures
- > Advising on providing of financial services including securities services and banking services
 - Advising on transfers of funds, e-money and electronic commerce
- Legal support of subordinated credit transactions
- > Advising on banking regulations issues, banking requirements and reserves, as well as impact of sanctions on financial transactions structuring

- Legal support of bond issuance including subordinated bonds, stock exchange traded bonds, convertible bonds, bond programs and bonds with various types of collateral
 - Legal support of stock issuance, additional stock issuance (IPOs, SPOs)
 - Advising on derivative transactions with various assets and advising on repurchase agreements. Standard documentation (ISDA, GMRA)
 - > Advising on issuance and execution of bank guarantees and independent guarantees
 - Legal support in structuring of business on financial market
 - > Due diligence on financial and investment activities of companies
 - Advising on admission of foreign issuers' securities to trading and direct access of foreign securities to trading



FINANCE

 Legal support of investment activities, advising on application of investment funds

Legal support of project finance transactions

- > Legal support of debt restructuring
 - > Structuring of cash flows in commercial transactions, advising on transactions with documents of title
- Legal support of internal and international secutirisation of various types of assets (mortgage, auto loans, consumer loans, credit cards)

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Limitations on the disposal of funds on a bank account www.kiaplaw.ru/arrest_of_funds















> Securitisation and mortgage-backed securities

Bankins Legal support of one of the largest securitisation transactions in respect of the portfolio of residential mortgage loans originated by VTB 24, one of the largest banks in Russia, in the total amount of 46 bln roubles. Additional security for the bonds was provided in the form of surety stood by the Housing Mortgage Lending Agency.

> Legal support of cross-border securitisation of auto-loans under English law, legal counsel on restructuring and amortization of the transaction, anticipated redemption of loan agreements and on terms and conditions of

Legal support of securitisation transaction in respect of the portfolio of residential mortgage loans originated by VTB 24 in the total amount of 28.9 bln roubles. In terms of issue size the transaction is one of the largest Russian law securitisations on the market. Moody's has assigned Baa2 (sf) rating to the class A securities.

Advising of largest Russian banks on structuring of securitisation transactions of mortgage and various types of non-mortgage



> General regulatory issues regarding financial services

Providing advice on financial services and banking matters to banks, micro-financing institutions, other financial institutions, money exchange companies, e-payment service providers, providers of brokerage and financial services, as well as provision of legal support for investment activities of a company.

> E-commerce

Advising international online merchant regarding risks of chargeback in payment systems.

> Advising an international air carrier on the regulation of non-cash payment of tickets under Russian law.

Legal support on loan structuring secured by merchant cash advance.

Analysis of business model requiring mobile payments for compliance with

> Loans and credit facilities

Advising a large Baltic bank on options for the settlement and enforcement of the debt of a Russian borrower.

Drafting documentation for one of the largest Russian retail banks financing acquisition of electricity company's stocks.

> Litigation in financial sector

Counsel on large development

questions regarding to financing

real estate project including

> Project financing

of acquired assets.

Advising on legal dispute with banks issued guarantee, which secured obligations to construct large infrastructure project.

Counselling in dispute regarding investor's claims to stock exchange.

Legal support in disputes in relation to rehabilitation and bankruptcy of Russian banks.

> Investment activities

Structuring options for transfer of shares in oil

Advising of Russian companies on structuring of options for raising additional financing.

Providing advice for private investors regarding legal, tax and currency control risks of various investment scenarios.

Legal support regarding application of investment funds in restructuring of business, managing of real estate and investing in bonds.

- > Drafting and due diligence of civil law contracts, assistance in negotiations related to executing, amending and terminating contracts
- > Consulting on doing business in Russia
- > Development and bringing the Company's internal regulations (policies) into correspondence with the Russian legislation

> Development of the contractual links system, including in the sphere of international and regional distribution



- > Development and analysis of the documents governing sales promotion (games, lotteries, contests)
 - > Legal support in the sphere of personal and confidential data protection

- > Consulting in the sphere of e-commerce and electronic payment systems
- > Legal services outsourcing
- > Consulting in the sphere of licensing of certain types of activities and environmental regulation

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Commo Statice



> Global hotel chain

Expertise in and development of the contractual links structure.

> Russian subsidiaries of an international air carrier

Advising in complex negotiations.

> International manufacturer of electronic gauges

Consulting the client in the sphere of requirements envisaged in the Russian legislation to the accompanying documents for electronic gauges.

> Large Russian investment company

Multidisciplinary consulting in the sphere of requirements of the Russian legislation to operations of the rabbit farms, including environmental and veterinary regulations.



PROJECTS

> International online fashion store

Consulting on the issue of brand promotion through e-mail distribution targeted at the Russian consumer.

> Italian luxury brand of fashion and leather goods

Advising on legal risks concerning implementation of a new marketing program aimed at attracting a new age category of

> International coffee company

Consulting on the legal requirements for the installation and usage of coffee vending machines

> Global leader in the sphere of telecommunications

Consulting in the sphere of legal requirements to installation, storage, operation and disposal of generators produced by the

> Executive-class car manufacturer

Consulting concerning the conclusion of contracts in Russia with the use of individual types of electronic signature.

> Russian subsidiary of a major European chemical company

Conducting a legal audit of business processes, including personal data processing.

> International producer of glass and glass products

Advising on the preparation of a personal data protection policy.

> Acquiring start-up

Consulting on the possibility to implement the acquiring start-up project in Russia

66 The team does everything to achieve the best possible result for the client.

Chambers Europe

- > Advising companies' HR management on complicated labor law issues
- > Drawing up model and individual labor contracts
 - > Personnel audits
- > Developing a full package of internal documents and regulations, including in-house manuals

- > Full range of legal services concerning details of employment, agency, promoter, sponsor, advertising and other types of contracts for sports players, sports clubs, coaches and sponsors
- > Legal consultations for clients during negotiation with counteragents, sports federations, sponsors, TV-channels and other mass media outlets or advertising agencies with respect to contracts to be signed including concerning planning of or participation in the sports competitions in Russia and internationally
 - > Participation in pretrial settlement negotiation
 - > Representation of clients in specialized Russian or international sports courts/courts of arbitration or sports disciplinary/ anti-doping committees/ commissions

DISPUTES

SERVICES

- > Cooperation with Federal labor inspectorate and lawenforcement authorities on labor rights protection
- > Company's representation in labor disputes with management

- > Disputes with trade unions
 - > Disputes resolution on golden parachute payments issues
- > Representation of companies and individuals in Russian Courts

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> Litigation

dispute was related to dismissal

> Consulting

of highly qualified specialists.

Drafting of legal opinions for Panalpina Group,



> Interaction with government bodies and trade unions

> Consulting on the dismissal procedure

> Sports law

who appeared for a Junior Hockey League club in a claim for the recovery of wages and





- > Preparing of legal opinions on disputable issues of insurance contracts
- > Regulation of the mechanism of actions of the parties in respect of claim's settlement, possible Insurer's reasons to deny the coverage or reject the claims, counselling of clients (including Russian insurance companies) on issues of provision of the reinsurance coverage under insurance contracts concluded on foreign markets

> Legal support to clients (insured persons) at the stage of claim's settlement

> Legal examination of terms and conditions of insurance contracts at the stage of conclusion thereof (analysis of the insurance coverage, obvious and hidden exclusions from the insurance coverage)

> > Legal examination of actual insurance contracts in order of optimization of their conditions for further

SERVICES > Immediate Legal support to clients directly on the place of the incident (insurance case) DISPUTE TLEMENT

- > Attorney and expert investigation of insurance cases
 - > Investigation of insurance fraud with further support in criminal proceedings

> Representing interests of principals in judicial disputes according the claims of insurance indemnity

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> Litigation in reinsurance

Representation of interests of members of ROSGOSSTRAKH Group in a dispute against foreign reinsurers related to reinsurance coverage and compensation for aviation loss in all instances courts, including Russian Supreme Court.

Representation of interests of Kapital Strakhovanie OJSC in disputes with foreign reinsurers, concerning claims on the return of unjust enrichment. These disputes were subject of consideration by different instances courts, including Russian Supreme Court.

> Non-litigation adjustment of insurance disputes

Consulting the Insured, a major clothes manufacturer, at all the loss settlement stages for a loss incurred due to a fire which occurred in production premises, resulting in significant damages caused to the equipment insured. The compensation was made by Insurer at sum more than 60 mln RUB.

Consulting the Insured, a major office furniture manufacturer, on the issue of determining the amount of the insurance compensation in connection with a fire resulting in significant damages caused to the real estate insured. The compensation was made by Insurer at sum more than 100 mln RUB.

Written consultation of the Client on the legitimacy of claims presented to the Client by the Insurer as subrogation. The Insurer's claim to the amount of over 50 mln RUB having been revoked.

> Litigation in trade credit insurance

In favor of the Insurer, in a dispute against the Insured under the latter's claim in connection with the refusal to pay insurance compensation due to the Insuring Party's inequitable conduct in the course of the insurance contract performance.

In favor of the Insured, in a dispute against the Insurer under the latter's claim for insurance contract invalidation due to the provision by the Insuring Party of false information when concluding the insurance contract. The Insurer's claims were dismissed.

In favor of the Insured Party, in a dispute against the Insurer under the claim for contesting the amount of the insurance compensation paid.

> Litigation in commercial property insurance



At agricultural insurance - representation of interests of a major Insurer in the case against a major agro-industrial complex that filed a claim on payment of indemnity under the crop insurance contract and interests for the use of borrowed funds for the total sum of approximately USD 1 million.

At complex technical risks insurance - consulting the Insured on legal issues under a judicial dispute with the Insurers to the amount of more than EUR 1 billion under insurance

contracts for power-generating machinery and builder's risks.

> Insurance audit

A large-scale legal audit of the loss settlement and claim-related work system of a major Russian Insurer, as a result of which there were recommendations issued on the optimization of the existing business processes.

Drafting a standard package insurance contract (real estate insurance, insurance against equipment failures, insurance against disruption of production losses) for the Insuring Party, a major Russian production holding.



- > Preparing of legal views for cases on administrative offences
 - > Evidence analysis, evaluation and formation
- > Official and legal representation in the course of proceedings for cases on administrative offences
- > Defense of rights and interests of injured persons

> Legal assistance in the course of inspections of state and municipal bodies

- > Evaluation of lawfulness and relevance of decisions, actions and claims of state and municipal bodies
 - > Appeal of unlawful decisions and actions (omission) of state and municipal bodies in accordance with the official and legal procedure

> Recovery of losses and damages, incurred by actions (omission) of state and municipal bodies

SERVICES

- > Advisory services on issues of the administrative law and administrative procedure
- > Representation in state
- > Evaluation of administrative and legal risks in the course of implementation of business projects

and municipal bodies

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> Trading company

Administrative practice Defense of the client in the case on administrative liability for sale of goods containing illegal reproduction of another person's trademark. Based on results of the legal investigation the arbitrazh court awarded to refuse in prosecution of the company.

> Construction company

Contestation of the decision of the district administration on refusal to transfer a title to a land plot to the client company. The decision of the administration was found to be unlawful, the arbitrazh court obliged the administration to transfer the land plot into the ownership of the company.

> Large retailer

Official and judicial defense in a series of cases on suspension and cancellation of a license for retail sale of alcoholic products. As a result all legal claims of the parties were abandoned, the client company continued to sale alcoholic products.

> International company

Advisory services on the issues of technical regulation on the territory of the Eurasian Economic Union and the Russian Federation.

> Large trading company

Representing the client's interests in the case on administrative liability for import and sale of products covered by sanctions. The court found that the actions of the company complied with the laws and terminated the proceedings on the case.

> Foreign trading company

Advisory services on the issues of import and turnover of alcohol-containing products on the territory of the Eurasian Economic Union and the Russian Federation.



> International trading company

Representation of the client's interests in a series of administrative cases initiated in connection with the violation of technical regulations. As a result, the courts refused to satisfy the claims of the administrative body to suspend the operation of the company.

> Participant of the marketing services market

Advisory services on a number of issues related to compliance with the laws on protection of consumers.

International airline

Defense in a series of cases defending the airline from accusations of administrative responsibility for violation of transport security legislation. As result, all 40 cases were terminated.



66 The team of trusted specialists at KIAP provides an outstanding combination of business acumen and legal know-how.

Legal 500 EMEA

> Advice on tax and currency control

- > Blockchain projects due diligence
- Advice on KYC/AMI



> Performing Howey test in regard of whitepaper

- > Selecting jurisdiction for incorporating SPV
- > Drafting token distribution agreements
- > Reviewing liquidity mechanisms

- Opening bank accounts
- > Creating blockchain loyalty programs

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Protection of personal data

- > Bylaws
 - > Contracts
- > Advertising law

> Intellectual property

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Consumer rights

CONSULTING >

- Consulting clients under Russian law and under law of foreign jurisdictions
- > Preparing shareholders' agreements
- > Registration of intellectual property
- > Enforcement in Russia of foreign judgments/arbitration awards with respect to shareholders' agreements

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