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**EDUCATION**

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**CENTRAL EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY, INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS LAW DEPARTMENT -**  
Budapest, Hungary

**Master of Laws (LLM), 2015-2016**

*Selected honors:* full fellowship (full stipend and scholarship)

**AMERICAN UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL ASIA, INTERNATIONAL & BUSINESS LAW DEPARTMENT –** Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan

**Bachelor of Laws (Magna cum laude), 2011-2015**

*Selected honors:* Dean's List and President's List stipend recipient

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**EXPERIENCE**

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**KALIKOVA & ASSOCIATES LAW FIRM -** Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan

*Senior Associate, member of Litigation & Arbitration Practice*, September 2016 – present

- Represented Kyrgyz and foreign clients before the Kyrgyz state agencies and courts on civil and administrative cases at all levels of the judicial system, including the Supreme Court, as well as in arbitral proceedings, drafted and reviewed settlement agreements.
- Represented the interests of an international development organization related to the challenging of the Government Act on the repeal of the act of transformation of lands, unlawful rejection of issuance of construction permits, lifting arrests and restrictions on immovable property;
- Represented the interests of a gold-mining mining company against unlawful actions of indirect expropriation of investment (amount of damages over USD 1 billion).
- Represented the interests of a gold-mining company in an insurance dispute with the amount of claim over USD 5 million (Arbitration Rules of the International Court of Arbitration of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of the Kyrgyz Republic).
- Represented the interests of a foreign investor in a number of court and arbitration cases connected to unlawful takeover of investments, challenging transactions, and protection of investor's rights (amount of damages over USD 5 million).
- Advised major international financial and development institutions, Kyrgyz and foreign companies, banks, microfinance institutions, and other clients on various issues of Kyrgyz law, including M&A, corporate issues, financing, investments, mining, labor, intellectual property, contracts, regulatory compliance, competition law, and other issues.
- Conducted due diligence on Kyrgyz companies and NGOs, property and assets, involving analysis of corporate performance, rights and interests in movable and immovable property, commitments, pending

and/or potential litigation, validity of licenses and permits and other issues of operation of companies in Kyrgyzstan.

- Drafted and reviewed various contracts, including, loan and credit agreements (including shareholder loans), pledge and other security, procurement of goods and provision of services, lease and sale-purchase of immovable and other contracts, prepared legal opinions and memoranda on Kyrgyz law issues.
- Advised intellectual property (IP) rights owners on issues of IP rights (trademarks) protection in the Kyrgyz Republic, registration of trademarks, suppression of unfair competition, and violation of IP rights.
- Advised Kyrgyz state agencies and international financial institutions in the framework of preparation and implementation of public-private partnership (PPP) projects in the Kyrgyz Republic, including legal support in the preparation of feasibility study, tender, PPP agreements, and project implementation.
- Participated in legislative initiatives related to the development of mining and PPP legislation of the Kyrgyz Republic.

**AMERICAN UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL ASIA, LAW DIVISION** – Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan  
*Instructor (part-time)*, September 2022 – present

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**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

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Attorney of the Kyrgyz Republic	2019
Patent Attorney of the Kyrgyz Republic	2018
Member of the Mineral Resources Committee of the International Business Council	2017

- **Languages:** Fluent in English, Russian and Kyrgyz (native)