



Law
is the Art
of the Good
and the Fair

[Jus est ars boni et aequi]

Domitius Ulpian, a Roman jurist

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YUST has excellent knowledge of Russian law and social relations. Its key clients and the basis for its business is the Russian legal practice.

Chambers Europe 2015.

YUST

LAW FIRM

Founded in 1992



The team of YUST is especially famous for legal disputes connected with protecting the interests of credit organizations, and is also highly valued in the field of tax disputes. The firm successfully participates in cases connected with international arbitration.

Experts of Chambers Europe
2015 Rating.

Why choose YUST?

Over **90** lawyers,
recognized and rated
by Russian and international
law networks.

25 years of
successful
legal practice.

Experts
in supporting complex
projects at a federal level.

Reputation
for having the best specialists
in court practice – advocates
with a high level
of professional
accountability.

Our strong team of Partners,
comprised of representatives
of several generations, gives the
team a wealth of experience,
combined with cutting edge
approaches to project management.

About us

YUST Law Firm was founded in 1992 and united the leaders of the Russian advocacy. Today it is one of the oldest and most reliable law firms in Russia and in the CIS countries.

The Firm's specialists render the complete scope of legal services in the B2B sector, as well as to individuals in Russia and the Ukraine. A wide network of international partners enables us to expertly solve our clients' problems in many parts of the world.

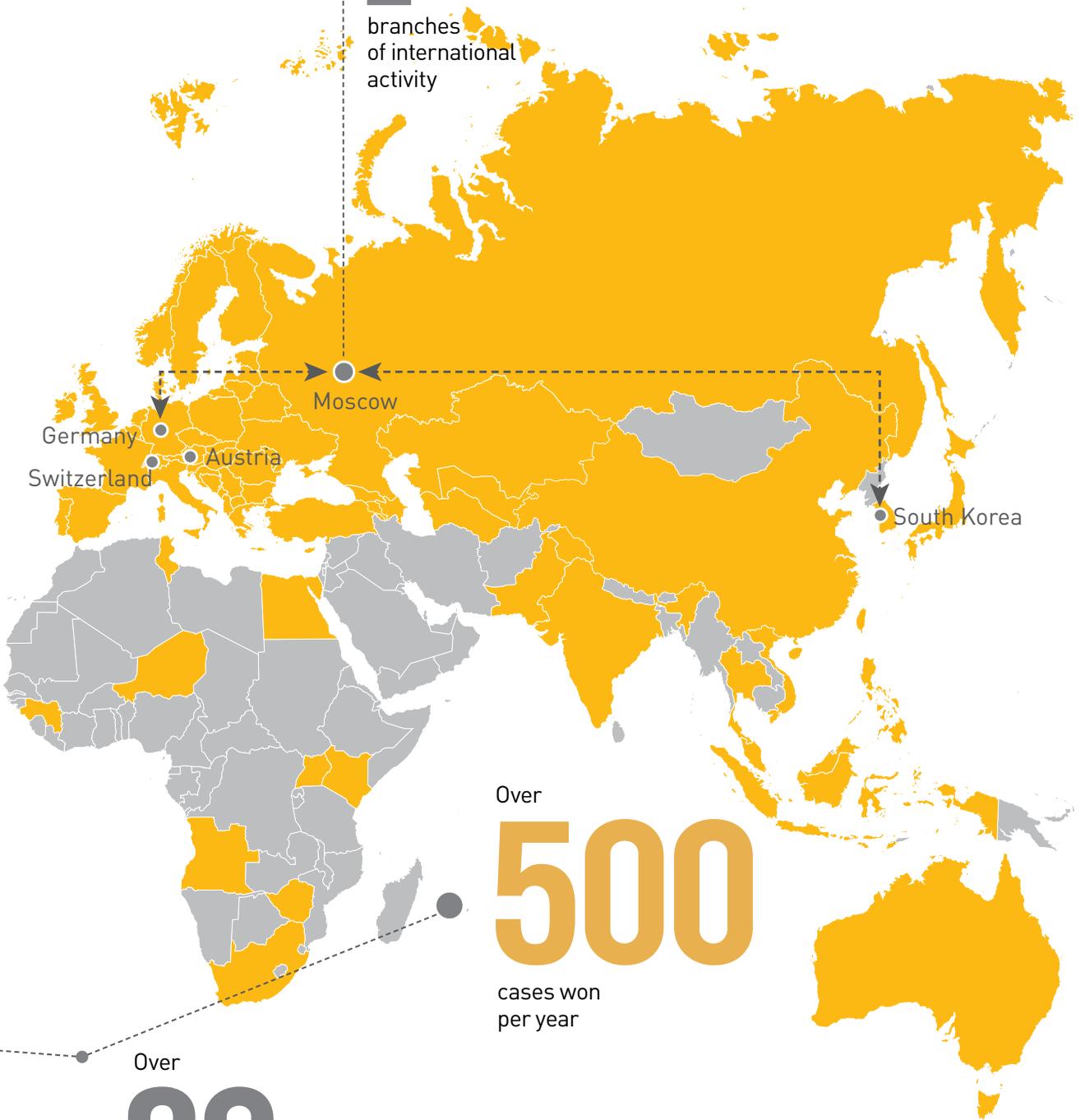
The Firm's clients can always expect a stable quality of services and a high level of professional responsibility. International acknowledgement and the trust of permanent clients guarantee the reputation and authority of YUST lawyers.

Leading Russian and international law ratings Pravo300, The Legal 500, Chamber's Global and The Best Lawyers rate YUST Law Firm among the best law firms of Russia every year.

YUST in numbers



• **2**
branches
of international
activity



Germany
Switzerland

Austria

Moscow

South Korea

Over
90
lawyers

Over
500
cases won
per year

Ratings and Awards



National award in the sphere of the Bar and advocacy in the nomination "Triumph"



WINNER 2014 RAPSIOUS professional award for contribution to the development of the legal market

WHAT OUR CLIENTS SAY



Porsche

Our cooperation has proven that the firm's lawyers possess high qualifications and professionalism. In-depth knowledge of different branches of Russian law, diligence and ability to provide quality legal services within short time periods are the undeniable advantages of the employees of YUST Law Firm.



PricewaterhouseCoopers

All the services were provided to a good quality and in time. The professionalism of the specialists of YUST Law Firm is unquestionable. We consider it possible to describe YUST Law Firm as a professional and reliable partner in the field of legal consulting.



Bayer

Our long-term successful cooperation with YUST Law Firm confirms the high professionalism of the lawyers, their in-depth knowledge of legislation and judicial practice in various branches of law, ability to provide legal advice applicable in practice and always taking into account specific features of the client's activity. We would also like to underline that at all times of our cooperation YUST Law Firm has provided high-quality legal services for reasonable prices.



Sberbank of Russia

Sberbank of Russia OJSC has a long-term experience of successful cooperation with the Moscow Bar Association "YUST Law Firm", during which the bank has always been provided with professional legal advice, including on the issues of legal analysis and monitoring of amendments to legislative acts of the Russian Federation, as well as legislation of foreign jurisdictions in the area of governing banking activity and in other areas of activity of Sberbank of Russia OJSC.

PARTICIPATION IN LAW-MAKING

Committees and commissions of both Chambers of the Federal Assembly of the Russian Federation have been bringing attorneys and associates of YUST Law Firm to take part in elaboration of new legislation for years.

Our employees have participated in the elaboration of:

- Civil Code of the Russian Federation;
 - Tax Code of the Russian Federation;
 - Penal Procedural Code of the Russian Federation;
 - Land Code of the Russian Federation;
 - Law of the Russian Federation “On Joint Stock Companies”;
 - Law of the Russian Federation “On Limited Liability Companies”;
 - Law of the Russian Federation “On Insolvency (Bankruptcy)”
 - Law of the Russian Federation “On Legal Practice and the Bar in the Russian Federation”;
 - Law of the Russian Federation “On Product Sharing Agreements”;
 - Law of the Russian Federation “On Foreign Investments in the Russian Federation”;
 - Law of the Russian Federation “On Protection of Competition”;
 - Law “On Personal Data”;
 - Law “On Subsoil”;
- etc.

Expert opinions given by specialists of YUST Law Firm are frequently used in the course of preparation of amendments to legal acts.

SECTORIAL AND PROFESSIONAL COMMUNITIES:

- The Association “Public-Private Partnership Development Center”;
- Russian Gas Society;
- Non-Commercial Partnership “Assistance to Competition Development”;
- Council of the Federal Chamber of Advocates of the Russian Federation;
- Moscow City Bar;
- Bureau of the Board of Directors and commissions of the Russian Academy of Sciences;
- Russian Tax Law Association;
- Association of Russian Patent Attorneys;
- Russian Employment Law Association;
- Executive Committee of Russian International Law Association;
- Board of the Russian Academy of Advocacy;
- Commissions under the Government of Moscow and the Moscow City Duma;
- Corporate Lawyers Association;
- Agency for Social and Economic Development.

International Relations

EUROPEAN BRANCH



POHLIT
PATRICK

Since 2015, a specifically designated European branch exists within YUST Law Firm. The head of the branch is Patrick Pohlit – the first German partner in a large Russian law firm in the history of Russian legal consulting.

We provide comprehensive legal support for our European clients in complex and dynamic conditions of Russia. Among other things, we help to minimize legal risks connected with investments, employment, organization of business, judicial disputes, etc. Our goal is to provide clear, predictable and comfortable conditions for your business in the Russian Federation.

For our Russian clients who hold assets or run businesses in Europe, first and foremost, in Germany, Austria and Switzerland, we provide assistance in optimizing the asset holding structure and avoiding excessive taxation, as well as legal support of commercial and financial activity. Our goal is to provide comfortable conditions for Russian investments and protect your assets in Europe.

EASTERN BRANCH



LEE
SEUNG-MIN

Leading law firms – “YUST” from Russia and “Jipyong” from the Republic of Korea (South Korea) – combined their forces and experience in March 2015 and signed a Strategic Alliance Agreement. Together YUST and Jipyong comprise over 250 highly skilled lawyers in the firms’ headquarters in Moscow and Seoul.

Seung-Min Lee, Jipyong’s Partner and coordinator of the project on the Korean side works permanently in our Moscow office. The Russian side is represented by Alexander Bolomatov, Partner of YUST.

The main purpose of the alliance between YUST and Jipyong is to provide practical assistance for Korean and Russian clients that are interested in business development in different countries of the world, and, consequently, creating more beneficial conditions for doing business in such countries as Russia, Republic of Korea, China (Shanghai), Vietnam (Ho Shi Min and Hanoi), Cambodia (Phnom Penh), Laos (Vientiane), Myanmar (Yangon), UAE (Dubai), Iran (Teheran), in which foreign offices of the alliance between Jipyong and YUST are situated.

GLOBAL COOPERATION



YUST Law Firm and its employees are members of international professional communities of lawyers. Among others, we are members of the Association of European Businesses, Russian-German Chamber of Commerce, American Chamber of Commerce in Russia, and others. Multilaw and Meritas play a special role in YUST's international activity.

MULTILAW is a global network of independent law firms founded in 1990 in London (UK) with the purpose of creating an alliance of carefully selected firms that later could offer the most effective ways of fulfilling the clients' international demands. Nowadays Multilaw has become one of the most influential global organizations of lawyers and received recognition from Chambers Global international rating in the most honorable status – "Elite". This status has been awarded only to 20 international networks in the world.

It is remarkable that professional lawyers from the Russian Federation are represented in Multilaw by only one firm – YUST, since 2007. Managing Partner of YUST Evgeniy Zhilin is a member of Multilaw's Council since 2015.



MERITAS is an international association of law firms that has united 178 law firms from 78 countries, including: 31 firms from Europe and Middle East, 102 firms from the USA and Canada, 13 firms from Asia. YUST Law Firm, which is a member of Meritas since 2012, has the honor to be on this list.

The employees of YUST are permanent participants of annual meetings of members of Multilaw and Meritas, which include conferences, seminars and round tables. Our lawyers are regularly brought as experts for preparing international collected volumes that contain the main provisions of national legislations.

The team of YUST Law Firm is justifiably proud of its legal competence and ability to provide practical advice to the client at the level of a business associate. Not only do we understand the law, but we also have understanding and knowledge of the market environment. We possess unique experience both in the field of Russian law and outside the Russian jurisdiction.

Of course, we are also proud that our membership in Multilaw and Meritas confirms our status in the eyes of potential clients all over the world. Due to this fact we successfully provide legal services to our Russian and foreign clients both in Russia itself and in any other jurisdiction of the world.



Services

LITIGATION AND ARBITRATION

Representation of Clients in courts in the following types of disputes:

- Corporate;
 - Commercial;
 - Antitrust;
 - Customs;
 - Tax;
 - Employment;
 - Administrative disputes (against governmental authorities);
 - Housing, land and other disputes in the field of real estate;
 - Disputes in the oil and gas sector, including the field of electric and heat power energy industries;
 - Disputes in the area of aviation and aircraft construction;
 - Leasing disputes;
 - Disputes in the field of insurance;
 - Financial and investment disputes, including bond obligations and default disputes;
 - Disputes in the field of intellectual property protection;
 - Disputes in the field of bankruptcy;
 - Disputes in the banking sector;
 - Disputes in the field of cyberspace;
 - Disputes on recovery of damage to life and health of individuals;
 - Disputes on protection of honor, dignity and business reputation;
 - Disputes in the field of ecology and subsoil use;
 - Consumer disputes and disputes in the field of retail sales and wholesale;
- et al.

LITIGATION AND ARBITRATION

OUR EXPERTS:



ALEXANDER
EVDOKIMOV
Partner,
Head of Practice



IGOR
PASTUKHOV
Adviser



LEONORA
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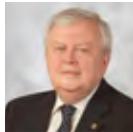
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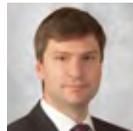
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SVETLANA
BURKANOVA



EKATERINA
EKIMOVA



MAXIM
ROVINSKIY

ANTITRUST LAW

- Expert assessment and due diligence of agreements, transactions, as well as the company's internal regulations;
- Legal support of applications to antitrust authorities for approval of M&A transactions, joint venture agreements, investment projects and other actions of the company;
- Elaboration of the company's market strategy and contract policy taking into account the requirements of antitrust law;
- Protection of the company's interests in relations with antitrust authorities, including in the course of antitrust probes and investigations;
- Advise on the issues of pricing policies regarding the services of natural monopolies;
- Legal support of procurement activities and bidding;
- Legal assistance in resolving conflicts between retail networks and suppliers;
- Legal assistance on the issues of applying competition law in the countries of Eurasian Economic Union;
- Organization and implementation of antitrust compliance systems in companies.

OUR EXPERTS:



EVGENY
ZHILIN
Partner



ALEXANDER
BOLOMATOV
Partner



DMITRY
SEREGIN
Adviser



ALEXANDRA
MAKORINA
Partner

BANKING AND FINANCIAL LAW (SECURITIES)

- Legal support of transactions with securities;
- Legal support of banking operations (including international payments);
- Legal support of credit transactions;
- Project financing;
- Legal mechanisms of securitization of assets and risk hedging;
- Legal support of operations with shares, bonds, promissory notes and other securities.

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SMOLENSKAYA
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MAXIM
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PATRICK
POHLIT
Partner



IGOR
KOSTENNIKOV
Partner



ALEXANDER
RUDYAKOV
Partner

BANKRUPTCY

- Complete support of bankruptcy proceedings in the interests of the debtor;
- Representation of creditors' interests in the course of bankruptcy proceedings;
- Legal support of the bankruptcy manager's activity;
- Bankruptcy of individuals;
- Representation of clients in the course of challenging the debtor's transactions under bankruptcy proceedings;
- Organization of asset disposition;
- Comprehensive bankruptcy of the debtor and pledgers;
- Representation of clients in case of subsidiary liability of persons controlling the debtor;
- Advice to clients during bankruptcy proceedings of banks (credit organizations);
- Bankruptcy of backbone and strategic enterprises, developers;
- Bankruptcy of dissolved debtors (simplified procedure).

OUR EXPERTS:



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RAUDIN
Associate partner,
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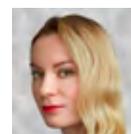
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ZAITSEVA

TAX LAW

- Advice on the issues of Russian legislation on taxes and duties;
- International taxation, application of double taxation agreements;
- Advice on the issues of customs control, legal regulation of export-import and exchange transactions;
- Support of on-site and off-site tax inspections, including protection of the clients' rights in the course of any tax control measures;
- Administrative tax and customs disputes;
- Representation in courts in tax and customs disputes;
- Tax planning, tax reserves;
- Assistance in filling in official forms (CFC notifications, transfer pricing, personal income tax, etc.);
- Legal tax expertise, including legal due diligence;
- Tax support of M&A transactions;
- Elaboration and legal support of foreign trade activity strategies taking into account the provisions of tax law of the Eurasian Economic Union.

OUR EXPERTS:



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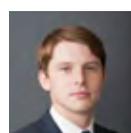
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PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP

Comprehensive legal support of projects on construction, modernization, and operation of infrastructure

Elaboration of:

- concepts and legal structure of projects;
- regulatory and non-regulatory legal acts;
- concession agreements;
- PPP agreements;
- engineering, construction, operating and maintenance contracts;
- agreements with sponsor organizations;

Legal analysis:

- legal examination of rights to property involved in the project;
- detection and assessment of legal risks;
- elaboration of risk management proposals;
- providing a comprehensive approach / building a team of lawyers of different profiles (real estate and construction, antitrust, civil and tax law, public purchasing and intellectual property law);

Advice on the issues of project financing:

- state institutes for development;
- securitization;
- investment partnerships;
- sponsorship and state warranties;
- different kinds of enforcement of obligations.

OUR EXPERTS:



ANNA KOTOVA-SMOLENSKAYA
Partner



EVGENY ZHILIN



DMITRY SEREGIN
Adviser



ROMAN CHERLENYAK



EKATERINA MOTYVAN



IGOR COSTENNIKOV



ALEXANDER RUDYAKOV



MARIA SOVAKOVA

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

- Legal support of innovation activity;
- Legal expertise of rights to results of intellectual activity and means of identification;
- Elaboration of strategies for intellectual property protection and management;
- Support of transactions connected with exclusive rights (dispossession, licensing, franchising, pledge);
- Registration of rights to results of intellectual property and means of identification (patents, trademark registration, legal protection of know-how and other objects);
- Protection of intellectual rights in courts, Federal Antimonopoly Service of Russia and law enforcement authorities;
- Representation in Russian and international intellectual rights authorities (Rospatent, Eurasian Patent Office, World Intellectual Property Organization).

OUR EXPERTS:



ANNA KOTOVA-
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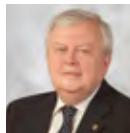


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INTERNATIONAL LAW AND ARBITRATION

- Representation of the clients' interests in the course of signing and execution of external commercial contracts and other contracts with a foreign element;
- Support for M&A transactions with a foreign element;
- Elaboration and implementation of suggestions concerning reorganization of holding companies with subdivisions in different jurisdictions;
- Representation of principals in international commercial arbitration, including in foreign states, in disputes arising in the course of external commercial activity;
- Recognition and execution of awards of international commercial arbitration and of rulings passed by foreign public courts;
- Legal assistance to the clients on the law of foreign states and territories through a worldwide network of partner firms.

OUR EXPERTS:



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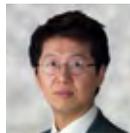
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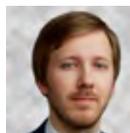
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RUDYAKOV



MAXIM
MEZENTSEV



IGOR
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SHESTAKOVA

CORPORATE LAW AND M&A

- Expert analysis (in the form of legal opinions and memorandums);
- Support for corporate procedures;
- Legal due diligence;
- Support for sale-purchase transactions of companies, businesses, specific assets;
- Legal support for clients in PPP projects;
- Advise on the issues of rule-making.

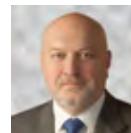
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FPC AND ENERGY INDUSTRY

- Advice and preparing opinions explaining legislation requirements on subsoil use and electric power industry;
- Support for complex projects in the field of subsoil use and electric energy industry;
- Support for foreign investments in the fuel-power complex of the Russian Federation;
- Assistance to clients in obtaining the necessary permissions and approvals from governmental authorities for the purpose of making a transaction;
- Advice on electricity and heat supply, sale-purchase and electricity transmission agreements, legal issues of functioning of the wholesale and retail electric energy markets;
- Advice on the issues of construction and reconstruction of FPC objects;
- Drafting of concession agreements, cooperation agreements, syndicate agreements in the field of fuel-power complex;
- Advice on taxation of subsoil users and service companies connected with exploration and extraction of mineral resources.

OUR EXPERTS:



ANDREY
LISITSYN-
SVETLANOV
Partner



ANNA KOTOVA-
SMOLENSKAYA



ALEXANDER
BOLOMATOV

CRIMINAL LAW AND PROCEEDINGS

Protection in the following categories of criminal cases:

- crimes of officials (abuse of office, exceeding official authority, bribery, et al);
- crimes against property (fraud, misappropriation, embezzlement, extortion, et al);
- crimes in the area of economics (illegal enterprise, illegal banking activity, money laundering, tax evasion, deliberate and fictitious bankruptcy, abuse of power, commercial bribery, et al);
- crimes against the person (murder, infliction of a grave, average gravity or light injury, incitement to suicide, battery, torture, bodily harm, defamation, insult, et al).

Fields of legal support on the issues of criminal law:

- Advice to clients on the issues of criminal law;
- Criminal legal assessment of risks of criminal prosecution against the company's employees and management;
- Legal support for persons in the course of investigative actions (search (seizure), interrogations, face-to-face confrontation, other procedural actions);
- Appealing against actions (omission) of preliminary investigation authorities regarding their compliance with the law;
- Protection of clients in criminal cases at the stages of preliminary investigation, court proceedings in first instance, and in the following higher instances for appealing against court decisions;
- Representation of the victim at all stages of criminal proceedings (individuals and legal entities).

OUR EXPERTS:



YURY
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Partner



ELENA
LVOVA
Head of Practice



IGOR
PASTUKHOV
Adviser



OLGA
ARTYUKHOVA



NINA
NEKRASOVA

SPORTS LAW

- Representation of athletes, coaches, clubs, and agents in sports courts and sports organizations, such as Dispute Resolution Chamber of the Football Union of Russia, Disciplinary Committee of the Continental Hockey League, FIFA Dispute Resolution Chamber, Court of Arbitration for Sports in Lausanne (CSA) and other instances;
- Legal support for athletes, coaches, sports clubs, agencies, and federations in drafting of employment, agency, sponsorship, advertising and other contracts;
- Advise to athletes, coaches, sports clubs, agencies, and federations on legal issues.



YUST is the official Law consultant of the Football Union of Russia

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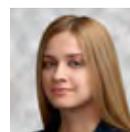
REAL ESTATE AND CONSTRUCTION

- Legal due diligence of transactions with land plots and other immovable property, participation in developer projects, purchase of assets of construction companies;
- Structuring of transactions, participation in negotiations on their conditions;
- Extrajudicial and judicial contestation of cadastral value of immovable property objects;
- Advise on all matters arising in the course of use of land plots and construction, including on the issues of change of the type of permitted use of land plots, public hearings, expert's study of the project documentation, obtaining approval documents for construction and putting into operation;
- Legal support in the course of extrajudicial settlement of disputes with contractors, public authorities;
- Representation in courts and arbitration courts in disputes on rights to real estate, as well as disputes arising out of construction contracts, lease agreements, SPAs;
- Extrajudicial and judicial charging of pledged property.

OUR EXPERTS:



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EKATERINA MOTYVAN



MIHAIL CHUGUNOV



EKATERINA EKIMOVA

FAMILY AND INHERITANCE LAW

- Advice and legal assistance to drafting and execution of marital contracts between spouses, various agreements between spouses (ex-spouses) : on severance, on execution of parental rights, on alimonies, other contracts and agreements;
- Court representation in divorce and severance cases, determination of the place of residence of children and the procedure of communication with children, including cases with foreign citizens and other kinds of foreign elements;
- Representation and legal support of cases connected with the execution of the Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction;
- Consultations on the matters of inheritance and assistance in registration of inheritance rights to property, including cases with a foreign element;
- Court representation of clients in cases involving contestation of testaments and recognition of property rights to inherited property;
- Legal assistance to families in the issues of managing family property and other assets.

OUR EXPERTS:



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EMPLOYMENT LAW

- Employment audits;
- Legal support and representation in employment disputes;
- Legal examination and drafting legal documents connected with employment relations, such as employment and collective agreements, internal regulations and other documents.

OUR EXPERTS:



ANNA KOTOVA-
SMOLENSKAYA
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KSENOFONTOV
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SITNIKOVA

Industries



Aviation
and
Defense Industry



Banking
and Finance



Innovations
and IT



Infrastructure
and Transport



Culture
and Sports



Healthcare and
Pharmaceuticals



Metallurgy
and Mining



Real Estate
and Construction



Oil and Gas



Retail



Telecommunications



Chemicals



FPC
and Energy



Mass Media



Food Industry

Partners



MARK BOGUSLAVSKY

Founder of the company

Specialization:

International law and arbitration,
Intellectual property,
Contract law

EXPERIENCE OF LEGAL PRACTICE: SINCE 1947

- Holder of the Russian Federation's "Distinguished man of Science" award.
- Doctor of law, professor. Doctor honoris causa.
- Arbitrator at the International Court of Commercial Arbitration of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of the Russian Federation.
- Director of the Institute of Eastern European Law of the University of Kiel (Germany).
- Senior researcher at the Institute of State and Law of the Russian Academy of Sciences.
- Member of the Executive Committee of the International Association for the Protection of Industrial Property.
- Member of the Executive Committee of the Russian Association of International Law.
- Was a member of the Board in the Soviet Fund of culture, member of the Executive Committee of the Program Commission of the International Association for the Protection of Industrial Property, a member of the Curatorium of T. Asser Institute in The Hague (Netherlands).
- Published more than 450 different works in Russia and abroad. His books and articles have been published in 19 languages.



ANDREY LISITSYN-SVETLANOV

Senior partner, Attorney-at-law

Specialization:

International law and arbitration, Legal regulation of foreign investments, Private law and international civil proceedings, Litigation and arbitration, Energy law, Intellectual property, Corporate law and M&A

EXPERIENCE OF LEGAL PRACTICE: SINCE 1973

- Full member of the Russian Academy of Sciences, Doctor of Law, professor.
- Co-chair of the Scientific Council of the Russian Academy of Sciences on the issues of protecting competition.
- Member of the Bureau of the Department of Social Sciences of the Russian Academy of Sciences.
- Director of the Institute of State and Law of the Russian Academy of Sciences. Master of Law at Columbia University (New York, USA).
- Member of editorial boards of the "State and Law", "Collegium", "Works of the Institute of State and Law of the Russian Academy of Science", "Legal Politics and Legal Life", "Legal Science", "European Business Law Review", "The Uppsala Yearbook of East European Law".
- Awarded the Order of Friendship (Russian Federation), Order of Leopold II (Belgium), Order of Sergiy Radonezhskiy of the Russian Orthodox Church.
- Member of the Scientific Expert Council under the Chairman of the Council of Federation of the Federal Assembly of the Russian Federation.
- Member of the Scientific Expert Council under the Chairman of the State Duma of the Russian Federation.
- Member of the Public Council under the Investigative Committee of the Russian Federation.
- Vice President of the Executive Committee of the Russian Association of International Law.
- Member of the International Academy on Comparative Law (Paris, France).
- Member of the Argentinean Academy of Law and Social Sciences.
- Member of the Institute of European Law (Brussels).
- Author of more than 100 publications.
- Arbitrator at the International Court of Commercial Arbitration of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of the Russian Federation.
- Was elected as Arbitrator at the Court of Arbitration of the International Chamber of Commerce, Permanent Court of arbitration in The Hague, Arbitration Institute of the Chamber of Commerce of Stockholm.
- Held lectures at The Hague Academy of International Law.



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Corporate law and M&A, Criminal law and criminal proceedings, litigation and arbitration, Legal support of art business, International law and arbitration, Intellectual property

EXPERIENCE OF LEGAL PRACTICE: SINCE 1990

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- President of the Russian Federal Chamber of Lawyers.
 - Doctor of Law.
 - Professor at the Department of Advocacy and Notaryship at Kutafin Moscow State Law University.
 - Co-chair of the Board of Trustees of the Institute of Advocacy of Kutafin Moscow State Law University.
 - Member of the Presidium of the Russian Academy of Advocacy.
 - Awarded the Order of the Russian Federal Chamber of Lawyers "For Fidelity to the Advocate's Duty".
 - Member of the Committee for conferring of the National award in the field of advocacy and the Committee on the Conferring of the F.N. Plevako and "Honorary Advocate of Russia" awards.
 - Chairman of the Council of the Moscow Bar Association "YUST Law Firm".
 - Member of the United Mediation Service under the Russian Union of Industrialists and Entrepreneurs.
 - Member of editorial boards of the "Russian Advocate" and "The Chamber of Advocates" magazines.
 - Co-chair of the Board of Trustees of the Institute of Advocacy of the Moscow State Law Academy.
 - Author of more than 40 publications.



VLADIMIR PLIGIN

Senior partner

Specialization:

Corporate law and M&A, Criminal law and criminal proceedings, Legal regulation of foreign investments, Litigation and arbitration

EXPERIENCE OF LEGAL PRACTICE: SINCE 1982

- Doctor of Law. Professor.
- Chairman of the IV-VI Committees on Constitutional Legislation and State-Building of the State Duma of the Russian Federation.
- Head of the Department of Business Law at Higher School of Privatization and Enterprise.
- Arbitrator at the International Commercial Court of Arbitration (St. Petersburg).
- Winner of Russia's annual national "Personality of the Year" award in 2007 in the "Personality in Politics" category for extensive contributions to the development of constitutional legislation.
- Awarded the Russian Federation's Order of Merit.
- Winner of the Highest Juridical Award "The Themis".
- Awarded the F.N. Plevako gold medal for significant contributions to the development of Russian advocacy.
- Awarded Russia's Order of Service to the Motherland, 4th class.
- Holder of the Russian Federation's "Distinguished Lawyer" award.
- Received acknowledgment from the President of the Russian Federation.
- His status as an advocate was suspended in 2003 due to election to the State Duma of the Federal Assembly of the Russian Federation.
- Author of more than 40 articles in Russia and abroad; co-author of several textbooks in the field of law and economics.



EVGENY ZHILIN

Managing partner, Attorney-at-law

Specialization:

Corporate law and M&A, Insurance, Contract law, Antitrust law, International law and arbitration, Real estate / construction / land law, Legal regulation of foreign investments, Environmental law

EXPERIENCE OF LEGAL PRACTICE: SINCE 2001

- Recommended by EMEA Legal Experts as an expert in corporate law and M&A transactions.
- The IFLR 1000 international rating mentions him as one of the leaders of the firm's M&A practice.
- Recommended by Best Lawyers in the Trade Law category on multiple occasions, in 2016 recognized as Best Lawyer.
- Member of Multilaw international association of lawyers since 2016 leading law firms, the only representative of Russia.
- Coordinator of international projects of YUST Law Firm.
- Adviser at the Russian Federal Chamber of Lawyers.
- Participated as an expert in drafting the bill on legal practice and the bar in the Russian Federation and the bill on amendments to the Civil Code of Russia.
- Has significant experience in legal complex legal expertise (legal due diligence) Russian legal entities with subsequent support of transactions on acquiring them.
- Is a permanent consultant of a number of major foreign corporations on the establishment of subsidiaries and joint ventures on the territory of Russia.
- Has wide experience of successfully conducting cases in the Supreme Court of the Russian Federation and in the Russian Federation's courts of arbitration, including disputes involving state authorities.
- External advisor to the Russian-German law Institute.
- Author of several articles on the issues of corporate law, international private law, personal data protection, countering money laundering.
- Member of the Non-Profit Partnership.
- Member of the "Assistance in Development of Competition" non-profit partnership.
- Has a great experience in cross-border and domestic M&A.
- Participates in seminars, conferences and round tables on the issues of corporate law, foreign law and international commercial arbitration.



**ANNA
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Specialization:

Corporate law and M&A, Public-private partnerships, Intellectual property, Real estate / construction / land law, Banking and financial law (securities), Employment law, Sports law

EXPERIENCE OF LEGAL PRACTICE: SINCE 1999

- Doctor of Law.
- Best Lawyers international rating mentions her as one of the best Russian specialists in the “Merger and Acquisition” and “Employment Law” categories.
- IFLR 1000 international rating mentions her as one of the leaders of the firm’s M&A practice.
- Recommended by EMEA Legal Experts as an expert in corporate law and M&A transactions.
- Member of the Expert Council of the Non-profit partnership “Center for Development of Public-Private Partnership”.
- Member of the Commission of Sports Law of the Russian Association of Lawyers.
- Member of the Russian Association of Employment Law.
- Member of the Expert Council of the “Labor Disputes” magazine.
- Has wide experience in elaboration and successful execution of corporate protection measures for large organizations and enterprises.
- Represents clients in the execution of projects in the field of public-private partnership (PPP projects) at the federal, regional and municipal level.
- Successfully represents clients in complex legal disputes on the issues of civil, land, fiscal and administrative legislation.
- Author of the monograph on the regulation of employment relations, as well as several dozens of articles on the issues of corporate and employment law, intellectual property, public-private partnerships in Russian and foreign editions.



ALEXANDER BOLOMATOV

Partner, Attorney-at-law

Specialization:

Litigation and arbitration, Bankruptcy, Corporate law and M&A, Contract law, Banking and financial law (securities), Real estate / construction / land law, International law, Legal regulation of foreign investments, Proceedings on administrative violations

EXPERIENCE OF LEGAL PRACTICE: SINCE 1999

- Has wide experience in successful litigation in all court instances in the system of courts of general jurisdiction, Russian courts of arbitration, courts of mediation.
- Represented clients in the Supreme Court of the Russian Federation and the Presidium of the Russian federation Supreme Court of Arbitration.
- Recommended by EMEA Legal Experts as an expert in corporate law and M&A transactions.
- Executed a number of major projects on corporate protection of Russian companies, provided legal support for organization and structural optimization of major holdings.
- Represented Russian and foreign companies in international commercial courts of arbitration (International Commercial Court of Arbitration of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of the Russian Federation, ICC, Arbitration Institute of the Stockholm Chamber of Commerce).
- Has considerable experience in legal due diligence of Russian legal entities including subsequent legal support of their acquisition.
- Has wide experience in supporting real estate transactions.
- Provided legal support for share issues of major Russian companies.
- Participated as a defendant in a number of criminal cases in the commercial field.
- Arbitrator at the Moscow Chamber of Commerce and Industry.



TATYANA STARIKOVA

Partner, Attorney-at-law

Specialization:

Litigation and arbitration, Family law and inheritance, Real estate / construction / land law, Corporate law and M&A, International private law, International commercial arbitration

EXPERIENCE OF LEGAL PRACTICE: SINCE 1996

- Represents clients in all legal instances in the system of general jurisdiction courts, arbitration courts, courts of mediation in the territory of the Russian Federation.
- Represents Russian and foreign companies in the International Commercial Court of Arbitration of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of the Russian Federation, international courts of arbitrations according to regulations of the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC), London Court of International Arbitration (LCIA), Stockholm Arbitration Institute, SChambers of Commerce.
- Has considerable experience in legal due diligence of Russian legal entities, including subsequent legal support of their acquisition.
- Lectured in the faculty of History, Political science and Law at the Russian State Humanitarian University.
- Expert at the Russian Federal Chamber of Lawyers.
- Participated in the "Commercial law" program of the American Bar Association (ABA CEELI) as a lecturer.
- Was a member of the United Legal Network international association of lawyers.
- Participates in Russian and foreign seminars and conferences on the issues of international private law, international commercial arbitration, family law, real estate and construction.
- Author of several articles on the issues of corporate law, international commercial arbitration, international private law, family law.



**ALEXANDER
EVDOKIMOV**

Partner, Attorney-at-law

Specialization:

Litigation and arbitration, Corporate law and M&A, Contract law, Banking and financial law (securities), Real estate / construction / land law

EXPERIENCE OF LEGAL PRACTICE: SINCE 1995

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- Recommended by EMEA European Legal Experts as an expert on legal regulation of banking and finance.
 - Successfully represents clients in arbitration and general jurisdiction courts, as well as in courts of mediation and international commercial arbitration courts.
 - Has work experience in the field of banking, including as head of the legal department of a bank.
 - Has considerable experience of conducting cases in the Supreme Court of Arbitration of the Russian Federation and the Supreme Court of the Russian Federation.



MAXIM ROVINSKY

Partner, Attorney-at-law

Specialization:

Tax law, Customs law, Banking and financial law (securities),
Corporate law and M&A, Sports law

EXPERIENCE OF LEGAL PRACTICE: SINCE 1995

- Has work experience in one of the leading Russian audit companies.
- Worked as head of tax planning department in one of the largest financial corporation of Russia for more than 7 years.
- Head of tax practice at the firm that has been traditionally recognized as one of the leaders in "Pravo 300" rating of Russian law firm in the Tax Law category.
- Successfully represents the interests of taxpayers in disputes with tax, customs and financial authorities in all court instances, including supervisory courts.
- Advises clients on tax issues in M&A transaction, including successfully completed projects in the fields of:
 - investments in real estate,
 - food industry,
 - network retail trade,
 - port industry, etc.
- Has wide experience in legal due diligence of Russian legal entities, coordinating detection of tax risks and reserves.
- Advises clients on the most complex issues of tax and customs legislation.
- Recommended by European Legal Experts as an expert on the issues of tax law
- Recommended by Best Lawyers rating in the Litigation category.
- Participated as an expert in elaboration of a number of bills, including Federal Law on Preparation and Conduction of the FIFA World Cup 2018 and FIFA Confederations Cup 2017 in Russia.
- Participated as a speaker in several Russian and international conferences and round tables on taxation issues.
- Author of several articles on the issues of tax law and tax disputes.
- Held lectures and seminars for lawyers, accountants and finance service employees on tax issues.



PATRICK POHLIT

Partner, Attorney-at-law

Specialization:

International law and arbitration, Corporate law and M&A, Legal regulation of foreign investments, Customs law, Tax law.

EXPERIENCE OF LEGAL PRACTICE: SINCE 2003

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- Attorney-at-law and tax consultant on German law, more than 12 years of experience in advising Russian investors in Germany, Austria, Switzerland, and other European countries.
 - Before working at YUST advised European companies in the Russian market: first as head of the Russian desk of a German law firm in Berlin, then as head of tax department in one of the leading German law firms in Moscow.
 - First German partner in a major Russian law firm in the history of Russian legal consulting.
 - Permanent member and speaker of the Russian-German Chamber of Commerce.



LEE
SEUNG-MIN

Adviser

Specialization:

Legal regulation of foreign investments, Corporate law and M&A, Real estate and construction, International law and arbitration, Commercial law, Subsoil use

EXPERIENCE OF LEGAL PRACTICE: SINCE 2008

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- Legal adviser of YUST Law Firm.
 - Head of the Moscow office of Jipyong Law Firm (South Korea) as part of Strategic Alliance with YUST Law Firm, coordinator of the project on the Korean side.
 - Legal adviser of the Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Korea for Korean small and medium enterprises abroad.
 - Professor at Higher School of International and Regional Research at Hankuk University of Foreign Studies (South Korea).
 - Graduated from Moscow State Institute of International Relations (Faculty of International Law), Doctor of Law.
 - Permanent participant and speaker at international conferences, legal expert on Russia and CIS.



**ROMAN
CHERLENYAK**
Associate Partner

Specialization:

Corporate Law and M&A, Contract law, Public-private partnership, Banking and financial law (securities), Environmental law

EXPERIENCE OF LEGAL PRACTICE: SINCE 2006

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- Doctor of Law.
 - Advises clients on the issues of corporate law concerning support of M&A transactions, acquisition and disposal of assets, reorganization / restructuring of business and assets, execution of major infrastructural projects in the field of energy industry and transport.
 - Represents clients in execution of public-private partnership projects (PPP projects) on the federal and regional level.
 - Has considerable experience in legal due diligence of major Russian companies, real estate and business assets.
 - Author of several articles on the issues of corporate, financial and fiscal law.



VASILY RAUDIN

Associate partner, Attorney-at-law

Specialization:

Insolvency (bankruptcy), Litigation and arbitration, Contract law, Real estate / construction / land law

EXPERIENCE OF LEGAL PRACTICE: SINCE 2008

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- Advisor of the Russian Federal Chamber of Lawyers.
 - Member of the Moscow Bar Association.
 - Awarder the "150 years of the Russian Bar" anniversary pin .
 - Guest lecturer of the Moscow State University and Kutafin Moscow State Law Academy.
 - Author and lecturer of webinars on insolvency (bankruptcy).
 - Was an expert at Federal Institute of Pedagogic Dimensions for several years.
 - Participates in working groups in projects connected with legal protection of business, including representation of clients in the course of insolvency (bankruptcy) of debtors.
 - Successfully represents clients in courts of arbitration and general jurisdiction in disputes on credit, loan, lease and other contract relations, as well as in insolvency (bankruptcy) cases.
 - Has considerable experience of legal due diligence.
 - Author of more than 30 publications.



**SERGEY
AFANASYEV**

Partner, Attorney-at-law

Specialization:

Criminal law and criminal proceedings, International law and arbitration, Intellectual property.

EXPERIENCE OF LEGAL PRACTICE: SINCE 1983

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- Doctor of Law.
 - Winner of the Y. Andropov Award "For Merits and a Substantial Personal Contribution, Promotion of Security of the Russian State".
 - Awarded the diploma of the St. Petersburg City Bar Association "For successful criminal defense".
 - Awarded the diploma of "Your Public Television" channel for assistance in the preparation and creation of the channel's programs, as well as for personal participation in the channel's live broadcast.
 - Awarded the diploma of the St. Petersburg Bar Association "For highly professional work, a significant contribution to establishing and keeping the traditions of the St. Petersburg Bar, and on occasion of the 10th anniversary of the Law of the Russian Federation "On Legal Practice and the Bar in the Russian Federation".



MIHAIL IVANOV

Partner, Attorney-at-law

Specialization:

Contract law, Antitrust law, Legal regulation of foreign investments, Bankruptcy, Corporate law and M&A, International law and arbitration.

EXPERIENCE OF LEGAL PRACTICE: SINCE 1998

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- Awarded the diploma of the St. Petersburg Bar Association as winner in the category "For success of an attorney in representation in civil (arbitration) cases".
 - Awarded the note of acknowledgment of the St. Petersburg Bar Association "For high achievements in professional activity in 2011".



VYACHESLAV
ISAKOV

Partner

Specialization:

Criminal law and criminal proceedings

EXPERIENCE OF LEGAL PRACTICE: SINCE 1981

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- Practices criminal defense in cases connected with crimes against property, crimes in the area of commercial relationships, crimes against the interests of service in commercial organizations.
 - Defends clients in criminal cases connected with crimes against the interests of public service and service in local governmental authorities.
 - Awarded the diploma of the St. Petersburg Bar Association "For success of an attorney in criminal defense".

Pro bono projects

A.S. Pushkin state
Museum of Fine Arts



Государственный музей
изобразительных искусств
имени А.С. Пушкина

Ministry of Culture of the
Russian Federation



МИНИСТЕРСТВО КУЛЬТУРЫ
РОССИЙСКОЙ ФЕДЕРАЦИИ

M.Gorky Central Park of
Culture and Recreation
Центральный

**Парк
Горького**

Ministry of Healthcare of the
Russian Federation



МИНИСТЕРСТВО
ЗДРАВООХРАНЕНИЯ
РОССИЙСКОЙ ФЕДЕРАЦИИ

Federation of Anesthesiologists and
Emergency Physicians



Department of Culture of the
City of Moscow



Департамент
культуры
города Москвы

Pro bono projects play a special role in the work of YUST Law Firm. In some cases we provide assistance to Russian social institutions that are non-commercial in their nature and thus they do not have the possibility to pay for complex high-quality legal services.

Reference: «Pro bono» (Latin, pro bono publico — “for the public benefit”)

– providing professional assistance to charity, social and other non-profit organizations, as well as individuals, that cannot pay for such assistance.

The concept of voluntary provision of services without consideration as a matter of moral necessity for a self-respecting lawyer has been forming in the common law system for several centuries. However, alongside with the development of pro bono in the New World, a similar practice also existed in continental Europe. In Russia, the traditions of gratuitous legal assistance were established by attorneys-at-law in the middle of the 19th century.

In such cases the lawyer’s work is not paid from the budget or any other public funds. We consider the pro bono practice an honorable tradition and a matter of social responsibility for professional lawyers. It is our contribution to Russia and our society.

Events

The specialists of YUST act as speakers and honorary guests of leading juridical and sectoral events in Russia and abroad:

- International Economic Forum of Saint-Petersburg,
- International Law Forum of Saint-Petersburg,
- Russian PPP week,
- MIPIM,
- Law Forum of Russia (“Vedomosti”),
- Russian oil complex: the map of the future (“Vedomosti”),
- Antitrust regulation in Russia (“Vedomosti”),
- Informatization of business in Russia (“Vedomosti”),
- Forum of Corporate Lawyers,
- Oil and Gas Congress,
- WTO Conference,
- etc.





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