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EDUCATION:

The University of Dundee Centre for Energy, Petroleum and Mineral Law and Policy Scotland, U.K. <i>September 2002</i>	Professional Training Seminar <i>Negotiating and Documenting Petroleum Industry Transactions</i>
The University of Michigan Law School Ann Arbor, U.S.A. <i>September 1996 – May 1997</i>	LL.M. (Master of Laws) Degree
Baku State University Law Department Baku, Republic of Azerbaijan <i>October 1989 – June 1994</i>	Higher Education Diploma <i>Graduation with Honors</i>

POSITIONS:

Bureau 28a LLC Baku, Republic of Azerbaijan <i>January 2023 – present</i>	Managing Principal <i>Administrative, Business, and Professional Development Management</i> <i>Practice Areas: Tax, Customs, and Antitrust/Competition</i> Energy and Infrastructure
BM Morrison Partners LLC Baku, Republic of Azerbaijan <i>January 2013 – December 2022</i>	Managing Partner <i>Administrative, Business and Professional Development Management</i> <i>Practice Areas: Tax, Customs, and Antitrust/Competition</i> Energy and Infrastructure
Baker & McKenzie – CIS, Limited Baku, Republic of Azerbaijan <i>July 2009 – November 2012</i>	Partner <i>Practice Areas: Tax and Antitrust/Competition</i> Energy, Mining, and Infrastructure
Baker & McKenzie – CIS, Limited Baku, Republic of Azerbaijan <i>April 1998 – July 2009</i>	Associate <i>Practice Areas: Oil and Gas Law, General Corporate and Taxation, Banking and Finance</i>

Baker & McKenzie – CIS, Limited	Associate
Almaty, Republic of Kazakhstan	<i>Practice Areas:</i> Oil and Gas Law, General Corporate and Taxation
<i>July 1997 – April 1998</i>	Practiced Kazakhstani and Azerbaijani law
Ernst & Young (CIS) Ltd	Consultant
Baku, Republic of Azerbaijan	Handled corporate registration matters
<i>June 1997 – July 1997</i>	Advised on Azerbaijani taxation issues
<i>August 1995 – June 1996</i>	

EXPERIENCE:

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- advise multinational manufacturing conglomerate in a competition law matter *vis-à-vis* counterparty and regulator (2024 – present)
 - advise proposed developer of petrochemical operations under free economic zone regime (2024 – present)
 - advise an oil and gas servicing company on a joint venture and shareholders agreement with a local partner (2023 – present)
 - advise an acquirer from Singapore of a majority share in an Azerbaijani logistics company (2023)
 - advise foreign developer of first large-scale renewable power (wind) project (2021–22)
 - advise a foreign developer of first large-scale renewable (solar) power project (2020–22)
 - advised potential acquirer from PRC in reviewing interests in Azari, Ciraq, Gunasli (ACG) oil and gas production sharing agreement (PSA) and Baku- Tbilisi, Ceyhan (BTC) pipeline assets (2019)
 - advise a European contractor on, among others, country due diligence, under an alternate power project (2018–19)
 - represented a PSA contractor party (a wholly owned subsidiary of a listed Chinese oil and gas company) acquiring shares in the project (2017–18)
 - advised a foreign investor on renegotiating first major PSA in Azerbaijan (2017)
 - advised an oil exporter from Kazakhstan on the Azerbaijani customs regime (2017)
 - advise numerous clients on PSA regimes (1997 – present)
 - advise a Russian bank on first project finance deal in Azerbaijan developed by a local sponsor (2014–22)
 - advised general contractor on all aspects of Azerbaijani law for green-field development engineering, procurement, construction (EPC) of Ammonia and Urea Complex Construction near City of Sumqayit (2013–18)
 - advised a client from Singapore acquiring an oil and gas industry servicing business operating in the Caspian region (2013–14)

- advised a potential acquirer from PRC in reviewing interest in ACG PSA (2012)
- advised utility from Korea developing first private power project in Azerbaijan (2008)
- advised a major Japanese oil and gas company acting on behalf of a major Kazakhstani oil and gas consortium on oil transportation issues across the Caspian (2005)
- coordinated advice to major Russian oil and gas company on entering a Libyan oil and gas project under EPSA IV model and advised same company on implications, including customs, of vessel disposition (2005)
- advised consulting economists within the World Bank’s PPIAF/ESMAP funded project: Assistance to the Government of Azerbaijan to Develop a Natural Gas Strategy (2002)
- advised a consortium of Japanese companies on compliance with obligatory works program under an Exploration, Development PSA (2002)
- advised a major Russian oil company on effectiveness of Rehabilitation, Exploration, Development PSA in Azerbaijan (2002)
- advised major foreign supplier of oil exploration and production equipment on customs issues related to transportation, including customs regimes, of a jack-up rig from Azerbaijan to Kazakhstan (2001–02)
- advised foreign investors of the first large privatization project in Azerbaijan (1999–00)
- advised a U.S. oil company on purchase of a share in an existing oil and gas project and advised the same client on negotiating a new PSA (1997–98)

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS:

- Azerbaijan Oil and Gas: Risk Service Agreements, Legal Media Group Energy and Environment Expert Guides, 20/03/2018
- Secured lending in Azerbaijan, Globe Business Media Group, Lexology Navigator, December 5, 2017
- Oil & Gas in Azerbaijan, Globe Business Media Group, Lexology Navigator, August 2017
- Chapter on Azerbaijan, Republic of, first and second editions of The Oil and Gas Law Review published by Law Business Research Ltd, December 2013 and November 2014
- BBNA Guide to Indirect Taxation (VAT/GST), Republic of Azerbaijan, Bloomberg BNA VAT Navigator, September 2015
- Recent Azerbaijani Legislation Affecting Oil and Gas Projects, BNA’s (The Bureau of National Affairs, Inc.) Eastern Europe Reporter, 6/99

LANGUAGES:

Fluent: Azerbaijani, English, Russian, Turkish
 Basic: Arabic

RANKED BY:

Chambers Global

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Legal 500

Who's Who Legal Ranking: Recommended, Energy - Oil & Gas 2021: Global Leader

Listed in WWL: Trade & Customs 2018

MEMBERSHIP:

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