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Overview

Abai Shaikenov is a partner in Dentons' Almaty office.

Abai has been active advising clients throughout Kazakhstan and the CIS for more than 16 years. Abai's primary practice areas are banking and finance, M&A and real estate. Abai's work extends to advising on multilateral institution financing, structuring of transactions, foreign investment and various corporate matters related to investing and doing business in Kazakhstan.

Abai is a regular speaker at conferences and is a contributing author to many local and international legal and business publications.

Experience

- Advising Kazakhmys PLC on its secondary listing at the Hong Kong Stock Exchange. The SPO has made Kazakhmys the first ever Kazakhstan-based company listed in Hong Kong
- Advising Kazakhmys PLC on a US\$2.5 billion loan from China Development Bank/Samruk Kazyna National Welfare Fund for the energy sector development in Kazakhstan
- Assisting ENRC PLC with a US\$2 billion loan from Sberbank of Russia
- Advising a Canadian investment bank in relation to the public raising and investment in a Kazakh oil company
- Assisting a private equity fund with the investment in an oilfield service company operating in Kazakhstan

Recognition

He is consistently named as a leading expert in Kazakhstan by *Legal 500*, *Who's Who Legal*, *IFLR1000*, and *Who's Who in the Republic of Kazakhstan*.

Activities and Affiliations

Prior and Present Employment

- Partner - Dentons (formerly Salans), Almaty (2005 to date)
- Associate - Salans, Almaty (1996-2004)

Areas of focus

Practices

- Banking and Finance
- Capital Markets
- Corporate
- Real Estate

Industry sectors

- Energy
- Financial Institutions
- Infrastructure and PPP

Education

- Duke University, 1998, Transnational Summer University for international lawyers in Hong Kong
- Kazakh State Legal Institute, 1996, Law Degree, with Honours

Languages

- English
- Kazakh
- Russian