

CURRICULUM VITAE

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PROFILE:

Sports law and arbitration professional

Senior lawyer and sports governance professional with more than 20 years of experience across sports law, athlete representation, arbitration related work, club management, public institutions, and regulatory matters.

Founder and Head of the Georgian Footballers' Association, former FIFA Licensed Players' Agent, and former Sports Director of FC Torpedo Kutaisi.

Experience includes contractual disputes, regulatory analysis, stakeholder representation, sports governance, and participation in FIFA dispute resolution and CAS related matters.

EDUCATION:

1998 to 2003

Technical University of Georgia

Law Department

Diploma with Honors

Qualification: Lawyer

June 2025

FIFA International Football Law Summer Campus, 1st Edition

Miami, USA

1. Advanced study of international federations and confederations
2. FIFA RSTP, DRC and CAS practice
3. Disciplinary, doping, and ethics frameworks

SPORTS LAW AND ARBITRATION:

2012 to Present

Georgian Footballers' Association (GEFA)

Founding Member and Head

1. Established and lead the national footballer's association of Georgia in line with player protection principles
2. Advise and represent professional football players in contractual, regulatory, and disciplinary matters
3. Work on sports governance, player welfare, dispute resolution, and institutional dialogue with football stakeholders

4. Participate in FIFA dispute resolution matters and CAS related proceedings

2010 to 2013

Permanent Sports Arbitration Body, Georgia

Founding Partner

1. Contributed to the creation and development of one of Georgia's early sports arbitration initiatives
2. Handled disputes involving players, clubs, and agents, with a focus on football related matters

2011

Football Club Torpedo Kutaisi

Sports Director

1. Oversaw legal, sporting, and administrative operations of a top division club
2. Led player contract, transfer, and compliance work

2008 to 2012

FIFA Licensed Players' Agent

1. Worked on player representation, transfers, contract negotiation, and career planning in international football

**PUBLIC
INSTITUTIONAL AND
LEGAL EXPERIENCE:**

2017 to Present

Green Advisor LLC / Green&Legal Management LLC

Managing Partner

1. Provide legal and strategic advisory services in regulatory, compliance, and public policy matters
2. Work with private and institutional stakeholders on governance and administrative issues

2015 to 2016

Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources Protection of Georgia

Deputy Minister and Department Head

1. Supervised policy and enforcement bodies and coordinated regulatory implementation at ministerial level

2013 to 2015

Administration of the President of Georgia

Chief Legal Adviser / Deputy Parliamentary Secretary

1. Reviewed draft legislation before presidential signature and prepared legal analysis and recommendations
2. Participated in high level public decision making and constitutional selection processes

2011 to 2012

Silknet JSC

Head of Legal Department

1. Led legal, contractual, litigation, and governance work for a major telecommunications company

2001 to 2002

State Department of Sport of Georgia

Head of Legal Department

1. Drafted legal acts and agreements on behalf of the department
2. Represented the department before domestic courts and public institutions

2000 to 2007

Georgian Young Lawyers' Association (GYLA)

Legal Adviser, Director of Legal Aid Centre, Parliamentary Secretary

1. Represented clients in strategic civil and administrative cases
2. Managed legal aid teams and legislative advocacy work
3. Drafted and presented legislative initiatives and performed legal monitoring projects

**ADDITIONAL
PROFESSIONAL
ACTIVITIES:**

March 2026

Associate Member

Italian Association of Sports Lawyers

2009 to 2012

Executive Board Member

Georgian Bar Association

2003 to 2014

Board Member

Georgian Young Lawyers' Association

2004

Certified Lawyer, Member

General Bar Exam, Georgian Bar Association

2004

Qualified Prosecutor

Council of Justice of Georgia