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EDUCATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

J.D., (*summa cum laude*) Moscow State University, 1977;
Doctorate, Copyright Law, Moscow State University, 1980;
Scholarship at Max-Planck-Institute for Foreign and International Patent, Copyright and Competition Law, Munich, Germany, 1993-94.

American Bar Association internship, Washington, D.C., USA, 1990;

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LANGUAGES

Russian, English

PRESENT POSITION

Deputy Chairman of Moscow Bar Association;
Special advisor for the Russian Patent Office.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE BEFORE PRESENT POSITION

Chairperson, for the Advisory Group on the Protection and Implementation of Intellectual Property Rights for Investment under the United Nations' Economic Commission for Europe. This Advisory group was established as a public-private partnership in order to promote the enforcement of intellectual property rights in Eastern Europe and the CIS countries. The key sponsors of the group included the Gillette Company, Mersk Sharp & Dohme, Microsoft, Philip Morris International and others, 1999-01;

Chair on Civil Law and Civil Procedure Law, Moscow Open University, 1998-01;

Regional Director for Russia and the CIS countries of the International Federation of the Phonographic Industry (IFPI) in charge of creating, developing and managing the IFPI office in Moscow. In this capacity, developed the international music industry's strategy in the fields of legislation, anti-piracy and business. resulted in the first ever legal actions against anti-piracy in the music industry, publication of the practical guide on intellectual property crime prevention for the Russian enforcement officials in the police, customs, tax police, and antimonopoly authority, and many others, 1995-00;

Professor of Civil Law, Moscow State University, teaching civil law, intellectual property, private international law and other subjects, 1980-1993;

Private practice, founding partner of one of the first private law firms in Moscow, Lex International, 1991;

Consultant, Washington Law Firm, Steptoe and Johnson, 1990.

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Intellectual property - copyright generally, audiovisual works, phonograms, computer programs, databases;

Arbitration - international commercial arbitration generally, intellectual property arbitration;

Domain names.

MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL BODIES

Advocate, Moscow Chamber of Advocates;
Member, British Literary and Artistic Copyright Association (BLACA);
Member, Association Littéraire et Artistique Internationale (ALAI).

EXPERIENCE IN INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Acting as attorney, council, expert and legal advisor in the area of intellectual property, copyright, in particular, since 1987;

In the area of international copyright law, has been advising among others, the International Intellectual Property Alliance (IIPA, Washington), International Federation of the Phonographic Industry (IFPI, London) and the Business Software Alliance (BSA, Washington) and other private clients;

In 1992, was appointed as the head of the working group in the Russian Parliament for the new Law on Copyright and Neighbouring Rights and a member of the working group for other intellectual property laws in Russia. In 1994-95, acted as the leading expert of the Russian Parliament for the introduction of legislation on new enforcement sanctions (criminal and administrative) in the area of intellectual property. Later, participated in drafting new customs measures for intellectual property protection as a part of the Russian Customs Code;

On behalf of the World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO, Geneva) advising on the CIS countries and was responsible for developing model provisions for copyright and neighbouring rights for this region. Also, consulted with the governments of Ukraine, Belarus, Kazakhstan and other CIS countries during the process of drafting their new copyright laws. Has represented the Russian government at several WIPO Diplomatic Conferences, the World Trade Organisation (WTO) Working Party on TRIPs and intellectual property meetings at the World Customs organization (WCO). Has also served as a member of numerous high level Russian delegations visiting the United States, the European Commission, WIPO, WTO, WCO and other international organizations.

EXPERIENCE WITH RESPECT TO DOMAIN NAMES

Participant and speaker at a number of conferences and symposia (including WIPO Symposium in the Russian Federation) on legal aspects of domain names.

MAJOR PUBLICATIONS

Author of over 70 publications, including books and text books, in Russian and foreign languages on civil law, private international law and intellectual property, including:

Legal Regulations of the Relations in the Area of Artistic Creativity. Moscow, 1986;

Protection of Copyright and Neighbouring Rights Under the Russian Legislation, Moscow, 2001;

Chapter of the Russian Federation in the book:

Stephen Steward. *International Copyright and Neighbouring Rights*. Butterworths. Second addition. Vol. 2, p. 25- 60.

EXPERIENCE IN COURT LITIGATION

Represent a number of private clients on intellectual property matters, copyright, in particular, in courts in the Russian Federation.

EXPERIENCE IN MEDIATION

Mediation for a number of clients on intellectual property disputes in the Russian Federation.

EXPERIENCE IN ARBITRATION

Represent parties and act as legal expert for a number of international arbitrations in the Russian Federation and other countries (Sweden, Japan).
