



Anna Babych

Partner, Head of Corporate / M&A

Experience:

Regarded by industry experts as one of Ukraine's leading transactional lawyers, Anna focuses on international and domestic mergers and acquisitions, equity capital markets and general corporate commercial advice to private and public companies. Her transactional experience includes work on a number of the most complex, high value deals in recent Ukrainian history. She also represents clients in a broad range of matters related to setting up optimal structures for businesses in Ukraine.

Anna is a well-known practitioner in the sphere of corporate governance. In addition, she regularly advises national and international clients in connection with labor and employment issues arising out of mergers and acquisitions, corporate restructurings, and transfers of undertaking.

Her client base includes large national and international corporations, financial institutions and private equity firms operating in the CIS region. They acknowledge Anna's ability to negotiate and defend interests of her clients.

Anna Babych is actively involved in drawing up and promoting legislative initiatives in corporate law, both within non-profit organizations (including Ukrainian Bar Association etc) and expert councils of the government authorities (Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine, National Securities and Stock Market Commission).

She is one of the initiators and a key driver of corporate legislative reform in Ukraine, including LLC Law reform, a co-author of the Draft Law "On Limited Liability and Additional Liability Companies" as a member of the working group at the Ministry of Economic Development and Trade of Ukraine, and a co-author of the draft laws on shareholder agreements and improvement of corporate governance of joint-stock companies (squeeze-out and sell-out procedures).

Anna Babych collaborates with the Ukrainian Catholic University (UCU), is a member of the Advisory Board, and provides scholarships to the UCU Law School students. Besides, she is regularly engaged in educational activities for members of the Students League of the Ukrainian Bar Association, appears as a speaker at high-profile events in corporate governance, mergers and acquisitions (annual IBA and UBA conferences etc), and actively participates in dedicated committees of the Ukrainian Bar Association and of the European Business Association.

Practices:

Capital Markets
Corporate and Commercial
Government Relations
Labour and Employment
Mergers and Acquisitions
Private Clients

Industries:

Co-head in:

Energy and Natural Resources
Private Equity
Technology, Media and
Telecommunications

Expertise in:

Consumer and Retail

Anna is an innovation advocate who actively introduces the pioneering projects in the Ukrainian legal services market, including AEQUO Friends outsourcing platform and AEQUO Legal Tech Challenge

Professional Associations and Memberships:

Solicitor (England & Wales)

International Bar Association (IBA) – member of the European Regional Forum Council

Kyiv City Bar (admitted since 2006)

Ukrainian Bar Association (UBA) – Chair of the Committee on Corporate Law & Stock Markets

Member of the Expert Council of the National Securities and Stock Market Commission

Member of the Executive Committee of the British-Ukrainian Law Association

Recognition:

Anna Babych has been repeatedly recommended by reputable international and local legal rankings such as **Best Lawyers, Chambers Europe/Global, The Legal 500, IFLR 1000, Who's Who Legal, Top 100 Best Lawyers in Ukraine (Clients Choice), KyivPost, The Ukrainian Law Firms. A Handbook for Foreign Clients, Yuridicheskaya Praktika Legal Awards**, etc.

Education:

National University of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy, Master of Laws, Kyiv, 2005

Law School, BPP University, Graduate Diploma in Law, London, United Kingdom, 2012

Law School, BPP University, Legal Practice Course, London, United Kingdom, 2014

Languages:

Ukrainian, Russian, English