

Elgun Ganizade

Associate



CONTACT INFORMATION

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PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

- Fietta LLP, associate (August 2024 onward)
- Dentons, trainee (2023)
- Permanent Mission of Azerbaijan to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva, intern (2022)
- Baku City District Court of Azerbaijan, extern (2021)
- Supreme Court of Azerbaijan, intern (2019)

AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Elgun Ganizade is an Azerbaijani-qualified lawyer, and an associate at Fietta LLP. His practice focuses on contentious and non-contentious matters of public international law and international arbitration. He represents and advises clients before international and regional adjudicative bodies.

Elgun's previous experience includes assisting clients in various industries on several matters of cross-border transactions. He also has expertise in UN sanctions and international human rights law.

Elgun graduated with a Master of Laws (LL.M.) degree from the George Washington University Law School, where he was a Merit Scholar, and received his Bachelor of Laws (LL.B.) degree with distinction from ADA University, where he was awarded multiple merit-based scholarships and selected to spend an exchange semester to study international law at the University of Geneva.

Prior to joining Fietta, Elgun gained experience at a global law firm, and spent time at the Permanent Mission of a developing country to the United Nations in Geneva, where he worked on issues related to different fields of international law and attended a number of official UN meetings.

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

Highlights of Elgun's practice have included:

- Representing the Republic of Azerbaijan in two separate but parallel proceedings against the Republic of Armenia before the International Court of Justice with regard to alleged violations of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination (CERD)

PUBLICATIONS AND SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Contributed to "The Guide to International Legal Research" (*LexisNexis*)
- Contributed to "Oxford Reports on International Law in Domestic Courts" (*Oxford University Press*)
- Contributed to "Azerbaijan: First Competition Code Adopted and Promulgated" (*Global Legal Monitor*)

PROFESSIONAL AND ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

Master of Laws (2024), The George Washington University Law School (*Merit Scholar; Special Projects Editor of the Business and Finance Law Review; Staff Member of the International Law Review; Member of the Dean's Student Advisory Board*)

Qualified to practise as a lawyer in Azerbaijan (2023)

Bachelor of Laws (Distinction) ((2023), ADA University (*Team Member for the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition; Founding President of the Law Society*); Semester Abroad (2022), University of Geneva

LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

Azerbaijani (native), English (fluent), Turkish (fluent), Russian (fluent), Uzbek (advanced), Turkmen (advanced)