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Ramūnas Audzevičius

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Head of Dispute Resolution, leading highly complex arbitration and commercial litigation cases

Experience

An accomplished and internationally recognised commercial litigator, Ramūnas has substantial experience in international commercial, regulatory, and investment disputes, and he has developed the trust of such major Lithuanian and international companies as the Avia Solutions Group, Bosca, ŽIA Valda, flyLAL, Basel, Srbijagas, G4S Lithuania, ICOR, Limedika, Linas Agro, the KG Group, Vilniaus Prekyba, Lietuvos Dujos, NDX Energija, and Lotos Geonafta, among many others.

International arbitration makes up a primary part of Ramūnas' practice, and he regularly represents clients under UNCITRAL, ICC, SCC, LCIA, MKAS, GAFTA, FOSFA, CAS, Lithuanian Court of Arbitration, and Vilnius Court of Commercial Arbitration rules, and his arbitration skills and experience have been recognised by the Global Arbitration Review.

Complex litigation is the other fundamental part of Ramunas' practice, and he is highly experienced in representing clients before the Court of Justice of the European Union, the European Court of Human Rights, the Supreme Court of Lithuania, the Supreme Administrative Court of Lithuania, and the Lithuanian Court of Appeal. He has also advised clients in cases before courts of the highest instances in Russia, Ukraine, Belarus, Azerbaijan, Latvia, and Estonia.

Ramūnas is regularly listed in Who's Who Legal Arbitration (Thought Leaders) and Commercial Litigation (Future Leaders) and is ranked highly by the independent Legal 500, Chambers Global, and Chambers Europe legal directories. Legal 500 also includes him in its CEE Arbitration Power List and Dispute Resolution Hall Of Fame.

In 2022 Ramūnas was appointed a member of the Court of the London Court of International Arbitration. He has also been elected to the Executive Committee of the Swedish Arbitration Association. Since 2023 Ramunas has been a Board member of the Arbitration Association of Central and Eastern Europe. Since January 2024, he has served as a Board member of the SCC Institute.

Before joining Motieka & Audzevičius in 2003 as a partner, Ramūnas was an Associate at the K. Motieka Law Office, General Counsel at Linas Agro, and a lawyer at Respublika, the popular Lithuanian daily newspaper.

Working languages: English, Russian, Lithuanian.

Education and Memberships

University of Oxford, Said Business School, EMBA
Harvard Business School, PLDA
Queen Mary University of London, LL.M. in International Dispute Resolution
IALS, University of London, M.A. in Taxation
King's College London, M.A. in EU Law
Moscow School of Social and Economic Sciences, LL.M.
Vilnius University, Diploma in Law

Member of:

International Bar Association Lithuanian Bar Association

Practice highlights

- Successfully defended foreign investors and local companies from EUR 240 million claim
- Latvian Bank's victory in 5 LCIA arbitrations worth 70 million EUR
- Successful representation of the university in an administrative case
- Represented Lithuanian company in ICC construction arbitration and Swedish arbitral award annulment proceedings
- Success in defense of EUR 240 million claim filed by the State's against foreign investors and local companies

2021

- Successfully represented a client in a dispute regarding the obligation to pay a fine of more than EUR 3 million
- Final victory in a vertical agreement competition case
- Successfully defended gambling organizer's position in the Supreme Administrative Court
- Vilniaus prekyba won at the Lithuanian Court of Appeal
- Supreme administrative court litigation in a fair trial and media-law case
- Vilniaus prekyba claim for damages against M.Marcinkevičius in the amount of EUR 81.25 million satisfied fully
- Successfully represented the bankrupt national airlines in a private enforcement case
- A gruelling victory in a US default judgment recognition case

- Another LCIA arbitration win
- A second win in an LCIA Arbitration
- A precedent-setting victory in recognition and enforcement proceedings in Russia
- Successfully represented client in litigation before Court of Appeal of Lithuania
- Successfully represented gambling organizer in the dispute with the regulator
- Represented the client in a complex case before the Vilnius Regional Court

- Successfully represented JP Srbijagas in cross-border litigation
- Represented a client in the first instance of a media-law case
- Represented the client in a protracted shareholder dispute

- Represented a client against one of the wealthiest Lithuanian businessmen
- A landmark case law in applying interim measures
- Media law case before the European Court of Justice
- Victory in a cross-border media law dispute
- Complex private competition enforcement case against AirBaltic and RIX
- Final decision in a long-lasting IP case

2018

- Advised in the acquisition of shares of a globally active high-tech company group
- High value construction arbitration
- Successfully represented creditors in the Court of Appeal
- Jurisdiction approved by Court of Justice
- The Court of Appeals awarded a group of co-authors of a patent an unlawfully withheld remuneration
- Successfully defended former CEO against 1,5 million USD damage claim
- A case against the Competition Council
- Represented a real estate developer regarding obligation to compensate for the investments
- A major step forward in a case against AirBaltic and RIX
- The case closed based on a Settlement Agreement

- A great victory in an audiovisual media law case before the Supreme Administrative Court
- Represented a security service provider in the competition dispute

- Represented a client before the European Commission regarding tax matters
- Represented co-authors of a patent in a claim against the Polish energy concern
- Represented in the investigation initiated by the Competition Council
- Acted as a strategic advisor for a major wine producer
- Represented co-authors of a patent before the Supreme Court of Lithuania
- Represented Gazprom, a major player of international energy industry
- Victory before the Supreme Court of Lithuania

- Case before the Supreme Administrative Court of Lithuania
- Successfully represented a major international commodities trader
- Case before the Moscow City Court
- Successfully represented one of the major Serbian energy companies
- Successfully defended Gazprom in major SCC arbitration
- Dispute before the Supreme Court of Lithuania
- Represented the bankrupt national air carriage company flyLAL
- Case before the Supreme Court of Lithuania regarding the obligation to pay a special fee

- Represented Russian financial institution before the Supreme Court of Lithuania
- Case before the Latvian Supreme Court
- Successfully represented Gazprom before the Supreme Court of Lithuania
- Represented a leading security service provider
- Represented the co-authors of the patent before Lithuanian Supreme Court
- Represented the bankrupt Lithuanian national air carriage company
- Represented a waste management company in a complaint to the European Commission
- European Commission complaint regarding tax dispute
- Represented a real estate administrative services provider

- Represented Gazprom before the Court of Justice of the European Union
- Represented a client in a case regarding the sale of the State land

- Complaint to European Commission regarding depositors' interest
- The European Court of Justice makes a preliminary decision in flyLAL case
- Dispute regarding the notice of concentration
- Represented in an investigation commenced by the Competition Council
- Arbitral Award Enforcement before the Supreme Court of Lithuania
- Case at the European Commission
- Unprecedented example of very high value cross-border fraudulent transactions
- Represented a company acting in the energy sector
- One of the most notable competition cases of recent years

- Represented a holding company in the European Commission
- Arbitration clause dispute before the Supreme Court
- Unprecedented competition case
- Represented Lithuanian Gas in the international scope energy dispute
- Represented the infrastructure company
- Arbitral award recognized in the Court of Appeal of Lithuania
- Represented an energy company regarding the recognition and enforcement of an arbitral award
- Represented the Italian wine producer in the investment arbitration
- Dispute with one of the largest international corporations
- Guaranteed the successful enforcement of a favourable decision
- Case against Latvian air carrier and Riga's international airport
- Defended the interests of the pharmaceutical distribution company

- Defended the Italian wine producer before the Supreme Court of Lithuania
- Recognition and enforcement of arbitration award in Serbia
- Advised the Privatisation Agency of Serbia
- Defended a real estate holding
- Proved that unprofitable contract is null and void
- Represented the former management of a pharmacy company
- Successful recognition of arbitral award
- Represented the client in SCC Arbitration
- Represented bio-fuel producer in the international commercial arbitration court
- Represented an urban infrastructure development company
- Winning the case in FOSFA arbitration