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Artur Avanesyan has extensive practice in supporting and conducting complex civil, arbitration, administrative, tax and criminal cases, representing the interests of wealthy clients (individuals, top management of corporations, factories, banks, largest Russian and foreign companies) in courts of general jurisdiction and arbitration courts, including the Supreme Court of the Russian Federation. He protects clients in criminal cases at the stage of preliminary investigation, as well as during pre-investigation checks and during operational investigative activities. Arthur's professional interests are at the intersection of public and private branches of law, in the field of protecting the interests of clients in disputes with government authorities. Arthur has extensive experience in legal support of investment projects, as well as transactions for the acquisition of real estate, successfully provides legal assistance to clients in support of various types of civil transactions (purchase and sale, lease, contract, provision of services, bank loan, loan, agency, commission, other types of transactions), he also protects clients from unfriendly mergers and acquisitions. Arthur advises clients on issues of criminal, administrative, tax, environmental, land, civil, housing, family and labor law, as well as in the field of urban planning legislation. He was ranked among the best lawyers in the field of dispute resolution according to the prestigious legal rating The Best Lawyers in Russia 2021.

### Projects

Some projects successfully implemented with Arthur's participation:

- Defense of the **top manager of the largest international private equity fund Baring Vostok Capital Partners** in a criminal case brought against him. During the pre-trial proceedings in the criminal case, it was possible to change the preventive measure from detention to house arrest and reclassify the charges.
- Defense of **the beneficiary of a construction company, one of the leaders in the Russian construction business market**, in a criminal case brought against him for fraud in shared construction. During the preliminary investigation, it was possible to prove the client's non-involvement and achieve the termination of criminal prosecution against the client.

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- Protection of the rights and legitimate interests of **a major Russian entrepreneur** in a series of legal disputes with administrative authorities that arose during the construction of a hotel complex in the Krasnodar Territory. The RKP team challenged the city administration's refusal to issue a construction permit to our Client and ensured the issuance of a construction permit as part of enforcement proceedings. After the completion of the hotel complex, the RKP team represented the Client's interests in a dispute with the city administration, which refused to issue permission to put the facility into operation. We successfully challenged the defendants' refusal, as a result of which the hotel complex operates successfully.

Arthur has been admitted to the Moscow Bar Association since 2018. Fluent in English.