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Date of Birth: 15/02/1984

Education

Washington University in St. Louis. L.L.M in U.S. Law.	2011
Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University Master's Degree in Law	2006

Experience

Public Defender (Ombudsman) of Georgia	December 2017 - present
First Deputy Auditor General, State Audit Office of Georgia (SAO) <i>Tasks: supervising the performance of various units, including Analytical and Strategic Planning, Legal; Political Finance Monitoring, Quality assurance and other departments; Coordinating institutional development projects and activities and communication with international and donor organizations, representing SAO with government and the parliament of Georgia</i>	November 2016 - September 2017
Legal and Elections consultant, International Society for Fair Elections and Democracy (ISFED) <i>Tasks: Providing consultancy and expertise to the organization in the fields of election observation, local self-governance, anti-corruption, judiciary, human rights; Assisting organization in developing recommendation to the various governmental institutions (Parliament of Georgia, Central Election Commission, State Audit Office, Local authorities, etc.) on transparency and accountability issues; Coordinating CSO public campaign in support of judicial</i>	January – November 2016

<p><i>reform; Representing the organization with executive and legislative officials, governmental agencies, international and domestic organizations and in media.</i></p>	
<p>Secretary General, European Network of Election Monitoring organizations (ENEMO) <i>Tasks: Responsible for establishing contacts and maintaining communication with donor organizations, international organizations, international CSOs and government officials; Representing the network, comprised by 23 CSOs from 18 countries of Central and Eastern Europe and Central Asia at international events; Responsible for fundraising for international election observation missions and institutional support activities of ENEMO; Planning, coordinating and supervising overall activities and ongoing projects of the network;</i></p>	<p>February 2015 – October 2016</p>
<p>Executive Director, International Society for Fair Elections and Democracy (ISFED) <i>Tasks: Responsible for overall management and representation of the organization, including planning, implementing and oversight of its activities; Recruiting and supervising performance of 20 full time and 80 part time staff members of ISFED; Fundraising, reporting, representing, lobbying, analysing and consulting on behalf of the organization; Preparing and approving reports and official statements of ISFED, communication with government institutions and officials, media, donors, international stakeholders and domestic partners;</i> <i>The area of work and Implemented projects: National-wide election observation missions for 2012, 2013, 2014 elections; Monitoring transparency and accountability of election administration and local self-government institutions throughout the country; Monitoring transparency of local budgets; Promoting dialog and communication between citizens and local authorities, enhancing citizen participation in decision making process; Capacity building of various state commissions and local self-government agencies; Participation in the work of various commissions created by executive and legislative branches of the government of Georgia; carrying out activities aiming at enhancing women political participation; Running various CSO campaigns in support of: access to media for 2012 parliamentary elections, party financing and electoral law reform, Georgian EU integration, reforming law-enforcement institutions; Running international projects to promote free and fair elections in Eastern Europe and former Soviet Union</i></p>	<p>October 2011 – January 2015</p>

<i>countries and support the work of election observer CSOs from these regions;</i>	
Iliia State University, Invited Professor Tasks: <i>delivering lectures in electoral law</i>	October 2014 – June 2015
Research Assistant of a Law Professor, Washington DC Tasks: <i>Conducting research and comparative legal analyses of the European, US and Canadian laws on effectiveness of legislator’s oversight of the work of intelligence agencies. Taking part in writing academic paper on the topic</i>	Summer 2011
Georgian Young Lawyers’ Association (GYLA), Elections Projects’ Coordinator Tasks: <i>Coordinating the projects aiming improving electoral environment of Georgia, enhancing active citizen participation in decision making processes, establishing and developing institutional communicational channels between local authorities and citizens. Tasks included managing country-wide election monitoring missions of GYLA, preparing monitoring reports; Conducting trainings on public participation in decision making process, participating in parliamentary and NGO working-group created to carry out Election Code reform; Participation in international conferences dedicated to civic activities; Presenting organization at courts; Relations with donor/international organizations and local partners</i>	2008-2010
Georgian Young Lawyers’ Association, Project - “Financial Transparency and Anti-Corruption Monitoring of Public Funds”, Lawyer Tasks: <i>Conducted financial monitoring of the state agencies; Prepared anti-corruption reports; Analyzed aspects of the state control system in Georgia; Conducted monitoring of fulfillment of international anti-corruption obligation of the Georgian government; Conducted trainings on transparency of state agencies and access to public information; Prepared analysis on draft laws related to the access to information and anti-corruption issues; Represented the organization in court and at administrative agencies during administrative disputes; Organized and participated in various public awareness campaigns</i>	2005 -2007

<p>Georgian Young Lawyers' Association, Assistant of the Legal Aid Center Tasks: <i>Assisted Lawyer with preparing legal documents for civil and administrative cases, gave legal consultations to citizens, prepared legal documents; Preparing newspaper articles on recently adopted legal provisions</i></p>	<p>2003 -2004</p>
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Major Publications and Researches

1. **2014 local self-government elections in Georgia, Final monitoring report**, International Society for Fair Elections and Democracy (ISFED) - co-author and responsible for publication; 2014;
2. **2013 Presidential Elections in Georgia, Final monitoring report**, International Society for Fair Elections and Democracy (ISFED) - co-author and responsible for publication; 2013
3. **Direct and Indirect access to intelligence information: lessons in legislative oversight from the United States and Canada**, *Secrecy, National Security and the Vindication of Constitutional Law*; Kathleen Clark and Nino Lomjaria; 2013
4. **1 October, 2012 Parliamentary Elections in Georgia, Final monitoring report**, International Society for Fair Elections and Democracy (ISFED) - co-author and responsible for publication; 2013;
5. **Limited Oversight: legislative Access to Intelligence Information in the United States and Canada**, *Journal of Parliamentary and Political Law* - Nino Lomjaria, Kathleen Clark; 2012;
6. **30 May 2010 Local Self-government Elections in Georgia, Monitoring report on pre-election campaign, Election Day and post-election period**; Georgian Young Lawyers' Association (GYLA) , 2010;
7. **3 November 2008 Adjara Supreme Council elections, Monitoring report and recommendations on pre-election campaign, election day and post-election period**; Georgian Young Lawyers' Association (GYLA), December 19, 2008;
8. **21 May 2008 Parliamentary Elections Post-election Period in Georgia (monitoring report of electoral litigation and recommendations)**, Georgian Young Lawyers' Association (GYLA), 2008;
9. **“The Chamber of Control of Georgia – Effective Mechanism of Control?” (Legal Analysis)**, Georgian Young Lawyers' Association (GYLA), 2007;
10. **Offices of Inspector General – perspective of Internal Control Mechanisms” – (Legal analysis)**, Georgian Young Lawyers' Association (GYLA), 2007;
11. **The Financial Monitoring of the 2006 Reserve Fund of the Government of Georgia; Mid-term Report**, Georgian Young Lawyers' Association (GYLA), 2006;

12. **The Financial Monitoring of the 2005 Reserve Fund of the Government of Georgia, Final Report**, Georgian Young Lawyers' Association (GYLA), 2006;
13. **The Financial Monitoring of the 2005 Reserve Funds of the President and the Government of Georgia**; Georgian Young Lawyers' Association (GYLA), 2005;
14. **“Freedom of Expression in Georgia after “Rose Revolution”**; (Legislation Analysis; Media Analysis; Evaluations by International Organizations; Analysis of Journalism Survey; Analysis of Court Practice), Georgian Young Lawyers' Association (GYLA), 2006.

Major Professional Achievements and Diplomas

Certificate for successful completion of the Summer School of Economics <i>Society and Banks</i>	July 2016
Certificate for successfully completing the Training for LTOs <i>OSCE/ODIHR</i>	29 June - 3 July, 2015
Human Rights Activist Award from 6 Georgian Universities	2014
Fellowship award for the 2010 Edmund S. Muskie Graduate Fellowship Program, <i>Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs of the US Department of State;</i>	2010
Certificate of Graduation from the NDI Future Women Leaders Program <i>NDI, USAID GEORGIA</i>	2008-2009
Attorney's License in Civil and Administrative Law <i>Georgian Bar Association</i>	2006
Certificate for the First Place in the National Olympiad in Civil, Administrative and Criminal Law <i>USAID, ABA, GLSA and the Supreme Court of Georgia</i>	2005
Certificate for the “The Best Participant of the Olympiad”; in the State Legal Olympiad “Human and the Constitution” <i>The Constitutional Court of Georgia</i>	2001
Certificate for Winning the Moot Court Competition based on the Convention on the Rights of the Child <i>UNICEF; GYLA</i>	2000

Election Observation Experience

Domestic EOM

1. 2016 mid-term local self-government elections - Georgia, ISFED - legal and elections consultant;
2. 2015 mid-term Parliamentary (majoritarian) elections - Georgia, ISFED - head of election observation mission;
3. 2014 Local self-government elections - Georgia, ISFED - head of election observation mission;
4. 2013 Presidential elections - Georgia, ISFED - head of the observation mission;
5. 2013 mid-term Parliamentary (majoritarian) elections - Georgia, ISFED - head of election observation mission;
6. 2012 Parliamentary elections - Georgia, ISFED - head of the observation mission;
7. 2010 local self-government elections - Georgia, GYLA - election observation mission coordinator;
8. 2008 Parliamentary elections - Georgia, GYLA - election observation mission coordinator;
9. 2008 Adjara Supreme Council elections – Georgia, GYLA - election observation mission coordinator;
10. 2008 Presidential elections - Georgia, GYLA - district observer;
11. 2006 Local self-government elections - Georgia, GYLA - observer;

International EOM

1. 2015 local self-government elections – Ukraine - international observer, STO, ENEMO mission;
2. 2014 Presidential Elections, 2nd round – Tunisia -International observer, STO, NDI mission;
3. 2014 Presidential elections – Romania - international observer, STO, EPDE mission;
4. 2013 Parliamentary elections – Germany - international observer, STO, EPDE mission;
5. 2013 Parliamentary elections – Norway - international observer, Norwegian Helsinki Committee, STO;
6. 2008 Parliamentary elections – Lithuania - international observer, STO, GYLA;

International Conferences and Workshops

Fourth Implementation meeting of the Declaration of Global Principles for Nonpartisan Election Observation and Monitoring by Citizen Organization

22 August, 2016

Panelist

Bali, Indonesia

Third Implementation meeting of the Declaration of Global Principles for Nonpartisan Election Observation and Monitoring by Citizen Organization

8-9 June 2015

Panelist

Johannesburg, South Africa

Parliamentary Conference on Implementation of the Right to free elections: the Challenges to Applying Election Legislation and the CoE Standards, NA of France and the Venice Commission

4-5 June 2015

Paris, France

EU Visitors Program participant

25-29 November,
2013

Brussels, Belgium

The first implementation meeting of the Declaration of Global Principles for Nonpartisan Election Observation and Monitoring by Citizen Organization

April 2013

Panelist

Beirut, Lebanon

Eastern Promises Policy Dialogue - Political reforms in Georgia, European Policy Center

May 2013

Presenter

Brussels, Belgium

The Official Public launch of the Declaration of Global Principles for Nonpartisan Election Observation and Monitoring by Citizen Organization

2-5 April 2012

Participant

New-York, USA

**Election Fraud and Election Observation in Eastern Europe;
public Discussion at the Stefan Batory Foundation**

Panelist

Warsaw, Poland

December 2012

**2010 Open World Program of the Library of Congress on”
Accountable Governance – Local Government Elections”**

Participant

Washington DC, USA

March 2010

**International Conference - “Elections Monitoring and
Advocacy”**

Presenter

Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia

March 2008

Round table “Ukrainian-Georgian synergy”

Participant

Kiev, Ukraine

March 2008

Languages

Georgian

Native

English

Excellent

Russian

Good