

## **MARIIA MELNYK**

Senior Lecturer, Researcher, Attorney at Law

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### **EDUCATION**

#### **2014 – 2019:**

Received Ph.D. in Science of Law (specialty: Theory and History of State and Law; History of Political and Legal Doctrines), National University of “Kyiv-Mohyla Academy”

#### **2007 – 2013:**

Received Bachelor degree in Law (2011) and Master degree in Law with honors (2013), National University of “Kyiv Mohyla Academy”

### **ADMISSION**

#### **Since August 2021 - present**

Attorney at law, Member of Ukrainian Bar Association

### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

#### **September 2017 – present**

Senior lecturer at National University of “Kyiv-Mohyla Academy” (Teaching courses: Constitutional Law, Philosophy of Law, Legal Regulation of Digital Technologies)

#### **January 2020 – present**

Partner at International Law Firm “DiLex Group” (Legal practices: International corporate regulation, International tax structuring, Digital administration, Comprehensive legal support)

#### **January 2015 – December 2016**

Chief legal counsel at Public Joint Stock Company “Diamantbank” (Legal sectors of responsibility: Support of investment projects, Contracts management, Claim-related work)

#### **November 2013 – May 2014**

Lawyer at International Law Firm “Campio Group” (Experience in International corporate regulation)

#### **September 2012 – June 2013**

American organization “Leavitt Institute for International Development”, Legal Advisor and Program Coordinator, Kyiv (Legal support of non-governmental organization activity on the territory of Ukraine; monitoring activity of participants of the program; maintaining external relations with faculties, universities administration, US embassy in Ukraine)

**March 2010 – May 2011**

Junior associate at Law Firm “Lex Media Consult” (advising national and foreign clients in the areas of tax procedures, intellectual property, civil and commercial law of Ukraine; dealing with procedures in corporate law: M&A practice, selling and buying corporate rights).

**May 2010 – June 2011**

Consultant at Legal Clinic at National University of “Kyiv-Mohyla Academy” (representing interests of socially unprotected citizens at the administrative authority; preparing legal documents, legal consulting, writing claims, writing advisory opinions in the area of housing law, land law, insurance law, civil and family law)

**EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES****February 2023**

Participation in Business and Legal Conference “Doing Business in Qatar”

**Since March 2022**

Expert in the Law in a Wartime Initiative

**January - May 2017**

Participation in certified on-line course “Rule of Law” held at the University of Arkansas Law School, USA

**23-25<sup>th</sup> of November 2015**

Participation in EuroLawyer 2015 Forum organized by The Law Society of England and Wales (London, United Kingdom). Result: awarded as the best legal department in restructuring and work with distressed assets

**July – August 2012**

BUILD Summer Internship program, Provo, USA

Experience included: observation and participation in daily activities of Utah County Prosecutors Office, Utah County Public Defender’s Office and Fourth District Judge Lynn Davis

**October 2012 – May 2013**

ELSA Moot Court Competition on WTO Law (EMC<sup>2</sup>), team coach.

Result: Team was a winner of National competition; Semi-finalists of European Regional Round in Porto (Portugal); Ranked 13<sup>th</sup> in Final Oral Round in Geneva (Switzerland)

**April 2012**

Winner of the regional round and quarterfinalist of national all-Ukrainian round of adversarial proceedings moot court competition, organized by the American organization “Leavitt Institute”, Kyiv (have been Awarded of summer internship in USA)

**September 2011 – March 2012**

Participation in ELSA Moot Court Competition on WTO Law (EMC<sup>2</sup>), Muenster, Germany

**October 2011 – December 2012**

Participation in Jean Monnet School, certificate program in European Studies at National University of “Kyiv-Mohyla Academy”, Kyiv

**2009 – 2012**

Certificate program at National University of “Kyiv-Mohyla Academy” on Finance Law, which includes following courses: International Financial Law, Finance Law, Tax Law, Tax Procedures, Banking Law, Legal Regulation of Bankruptcy, Monetary Regulation and Monetary Control

**2008 – 2011**

Certificate program at National University of “Kyiv-Mohyla Academy” on International Protection of Human Rights

**LANGUAGES**

Ukrainian - native, English – fluent, Spanish – basic

**PUBLICATIONS**

- 1) Melnyk M. School of legal realism: search of balance between the certainty of legal rules and judicial discretion. *NaUKMA Research Papers*. 2018. Vol. 2, Law. P. 44–48.
- 2) Melnyk M. The influence of the school of legal realism findings on the theory of legal reasoning. *NaUKMA Research Papers*. 2017. Vol. 193, Law. P. 26–30.
- 3) Melnyk M. School of Legal Realism and its prospects in Ukrainian jurisprudence. *Visegrad Journal on Human Rights*. 2017. Vol. 1, No. 1. P.77–81.
- 4) Melnyk M. School of legal realism and application of its findings in order to improve system of justice in Ukraine. *Law Review of Kyiv University of Law*. 2016. № 1. P. 56–59.
- 5) Melnyk M. History of Emergence and Development of School of Legal Realism. *NaUKMA Research Papers*. 2016. Vol. 181, Law. P. 73–76.
- 6) Melnyk M. The formation of the American movement of school of legal realism and the application of its findings in national legal science. *The impact of legal science on the development of international and national legislation: abstracts of reports of an international scientific and practical conference* (Kharkiv, February 19-20, 2016). Kharkiv: Public Association “Association of Graduate Law Students”, 2016. P. 9–12.
- 7) Melnyk M. The reception and development of the ideas of Eugene Ehrlich’s “living law” in the school of legal realism: from protecting the interests of unions to human-centrism. *Antoposociocultural nature of law: abstracts of reports of a scientific conference* (Chernivtsi, May 25-27, 2016). Chernivtsi: Chernivtsi nat. Univ., 2016. P. 69–73.

- 8) Melnyk M. The need for intercultural communication in the context of studying the experience of teaching at law schools and analyzing the impact of legal realism on legal education in the United States of America. *Legal discourse in the context of cross-cultural communication and translation: abstracts of scientific and practical student-teacher conference* (Kyiv, December 1, 2016). Kyiv: Academy of Advocacy of Ukraine, 2016. P. 27–29.
- 9) Melnyk M. O. School of Legal realism against formalism and implementation of its achievements in Ukrainian legal system. *Europska tradicia v medzinarodnom prave: uplatnovanie l'udskych prav*: Medzinarodna vedecka konferencia (Bratislava, May 6-7, 2016). Bratislava: Paneuropska vysoka skola, 2016. P. 51–54.
- 10) Melnyk M. Reforming of the university education methodology at Law schools in the frame of school of legal realism achievements. *NaUKMA Research Papers*. 2015. Vol. 168, *Law*. P. 42–45.
- 11) Melnyk M. School of legal realism and its impact on the legal system of Ukraine. Modern problems of the legal system of Ukraine: abstracts of the VII international scientific-practical conference (Kyiv, November 26, 2015). Lviv: “Galician Publishing Union”, 2015. P. 53–54.
- 12) Melnyk M. American and Scandinavian school of legal realism: comparative aspect. *NaUKMA Research Papers*. 2013. Vol. 144-145, *Law*. P. 67–69.