# GAIANE NURIDZHANIAN

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# **EDUCATION**

| University College London  | 2015 - 2019   |
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| PhD Candidate at Faculty of Laws<br>Faculty of Laws Research Studentship   |               |
| Subject of study: Public International Law<br>Thesis: ' <i>Ne bis in idem</i> in the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court'<br>Supervisors: Professor Roger O'Keefe and Professor Kimberley Trapp |               |
| Visiting Scholar at the Norwegian Centre for Human Rights  | 2017 - 2018   |
| University of Cambridge<br>Newnham College   | 2013 - 2014   |
| LLM (International Law) (First Class) (Rank: 28 out of 227 LLM candidates)<br>Cambridge Trust Scholarship  |               |
| Courses: International Human Rights Law; International Criminal Law; Foundations of Public<br>International Law; Settlement of International Disputes; Law of Armed Conflict (audited)                       |               |
| Master Thesis: 'Decision on reparations in the <i>Lubanga</i> case from the perspective of human rights principle of presumption of innocence' Supervisor: Dr Roger O'Keefe                                  |               |
| Kyiv International University  |               |
| Master's Degree (Public International Law) (Honours)   | 2006 - 2007   |
| Bachelor's Degree (International Law/International Relations) (Honours)  | 2002 -2006    |
| SHORT COURSES & CERTIFICATES   |               |
| Key Constitutional Concepts and<br>Supreme Court Cases,<br>University of Pennsylvania (eCourse)  | March 2018    |
| International Law in Action:<br>Arbitration of International Disputes,<br>Leiden University (eCourse)  | February 2018 |
| Nuremberg Academy on International Criminal law  | August 2016   |
| Public International Law, The Hague Academy of International Law<br>Admitted to Directed Studies, written and oral Diploma examination   | July 2016     |
| Salzburg Summer School on International Criminal   | August 2013   |

Law, Humanitarian Law and Human Rights, University of Salzburg

Summer Course on the European System of Human Rights Protection, European University Viadrina

#### WORK EXPERIENCE

### National University of Kyiv Mohyla Academy

Position: Senior Lecturer, Department of International and European Law, Faculty of Law

### **International Criminal Court, The Hague**

*Position*: Visiting Legal Professional (Judiciary/Chambers)

I worked at the ICC in the capacity of a Legal Professional under the programme funded by the European Commission and designed to provide professional opportunities to legal professionals from countries under investigation or preliminary examination by the ICC. I was one of seven professionals who were chosen among several thousands of applicants to participate in the 2019 edition of the programme.

I worked as an editor for the Case Law Database Project (CLD) attached to the Pre-Trial Section in the ICC's Judiciary. The objective of the Project is to create a database of searchable legal pronouncements of the Court in the decisions delivered since its creation. The Case Law Database is designed to assist internal as well as external audiences of the Court in conducting research on Court's jurisprudence.

My work consisted in reading and analysing Court's decisions, identifying and extracting relevant pronouncements on legal matters and tagging the finding with relevant keywords. I was assigned over 6000 pages of Court's decisions on most various legal matters to analyse in four months, which I have completed by the end of my stay at the Court. I have also carried out analysis of decisions initially assigned to others. In addition to attending Court hearings in various cases, participating in lectures given by ICC judges and external lecturers, I have completed research tasks assigned to our team on request of Court's lawyers working on pending cases and novel legal issues.

# **University College London**

*Position*: Teaching Fellow, Faculty of Laws

My duties as a teaching fellow included preparing and teaching tutorials in Public International Law at undergraduate level and International Criminal Law at graduate level. I marked and provided feedback to formative essays of undergraduate students and assisted in marking the summative assessments of graduate students. I also provided mentoring to graduate students on their independent research essays.

#### International Advisory Panel on Ukraine, Council of Europe 2014 - 2015

Position: Lawyer

January 2020-present

2016 - 2017

March-July 2019

September 2005

International Advisory Panel on Ukraine (IAP) is an *ad hoc* body created at the initiative of the Secretary General of the Council of Europe to review the investigations carried out by the Ukrainian authorities into the violent events on Maidan (Kyiv) between November 2013 and February 2014 as well as of the investigations into the tragic events in Odessa of 2 May 2014. The Panel's task was to assess compliance of the investigations with the requirements of the European Convention on Human Rights (ECHR).

My duties within the IAP project consisted in advising the Panel members on relevant issues of Ukrainian domestic law and its compatibility with human rights standards. I assisted the Panel in organising, preparing and holding its fact-finding missions in Ukraine. These missions consisted in meetings and exchanges with investigating authorities (prosecutors, police, security services), other state officials (Ministry of Justice, Ministry of Health, Parliamentary Commissioner for Human Rights, Members of National Parliament), representatives of victims and NGOs. More specifically, I prepared the questions to be put by Panel members to the relevant actors aimed at gathering facts as well as evaluating the state of the investigation conducted by Ukrainian authorities; drafted briefs on the collected information and prepared reports on further action required for the execution of the Panel's mandate. Finally, I assisted the Panel in drafting of its two final reports opining on compliance of the investigations into the <u>Maidan</u> and <u>Odessa</u> violence with the ECHR requirements.

### **Cambridge Pro Bono Project**

#### Position: Researcher

I carried out research under a co-operation agreement between the Cambridge Pro Bono Project and the Inter-American Court of Human Rights. Subject-matter of the research is subject to confidentiality.

#### Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society in Kyiv

#### Position: Lawyer

During my time with Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society (HIAS) I was involved in preparation and submission of applications on behalf of migrants and asylum seekers to the European Court of Human Rights (ECtHR). More specifically, my tasks consisted in drafting applications, observations, requests for interim measures and other documents in these cases. I was also involved in instructing domestic lawyers, state officials and judges on the application of the ECHR in domestic administrative and judicial practice. Among my duties were also activities related to advocacy such as analysis of domestic legislation related to the protection of migrants and asylum seekers and drafting proposals as to amendment of the relevant legislation in light of ECHR and EU standards. During that time, I was also a member of the Expert Council on Non-Discrimination and Protection of Minorities Rights at the Office of the Parliamentary Commissioner for Human Rights.

#### European Court of Human Rights, Strasbourg

*Position*: Junior Lawyer at the Registry

I worked at the Registry of the ECtHR for four years. My duties involved the following: processing cases brought against Ukraine; maintaining correspondence with the parties to the proceedings; drafting decisions in allegedly inadmissible cases; drafting judgments in cases concerning straightforward violations of the Convention and, under supervision of a senior lawyer, in cases raising complex issues under the Convention. During a year and a half I was attached to the division where my tasks, in addition to the above, involved processing

2013-2014

2012 - 2013

2008 - 2012

requests for application of interim measures. In addition, I led trainings for incoming junior lawyers on use of software for registration and processing of incoming applications and attended numerous in-house trainings on the Convention law.

# Konnov and Sozanovskyy Attorneys at Law, Kyiv 2007 – 2008

Position: Junior Associate at Tax Law Department

Consulting international and national individual and corporate clients on issues related to Ukrainian tax law

# INTERNSHIPS See VOLUNTEERING

| Judge, European Human Rights Moot Court Competition   | 2019/2020  |
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| Judge, United Kingdom national rounds of the Philip C. Jessup<br>International Law Moot Court Competition | 2019       |
| Judge, Ukrainian national rounds of the Philip C. Jessup<br>International Law Moot Court Competition      | 2018, 2019 |
| UCL Postgraduate and Early Careers Conference 2017<br>Organising Committee                                | 2016-2017  |
| UCL Law Journal Blog, Co-editor   | 2016-2017  |
| UCL Journal of Law and Jurisprudence, Editor  | 2015-2016  |
| International Law Observer Blog, Student Editor   | 2013-2014  |
| Parliament of Canada, Intern  | 2005, 2006 |

# **AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS**

All-Ukrainian International Humanitarian Law Winning Team Award Kyiv, May 2007 Competition Philip C. Jessup International Law **Best Speaker Award** Moot Court Competition, National Round Kyiv, February 2007 Model International Criminal Court, Winning Team Award **International Competition** Krzyzowa, November 2006 Telders International Law Moot Court **Team Member Competition, International Round** The Hague, April 2005

# LANGUAGES

Fluent: Ukrainian (mother tongue), Russian, English, French