



Attorney-at-Law, licensed by the Serbian Bar Association (1997)

Regional mediator of the World Bank Group, Office of Mediation Services, for Serbia, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Croatia, Bulgaria, Montenegro, Macedonia, Albania, Italy, Austria, Belgium, UK, and Switzerland (2011).

Trainer accredited by the Ministry of Justice of Serbia to deliver basic and specialized mediation trainings (mediation, negotiation, facilitation, communication, training-of-trainers, workplace harassment, mediation case management, etc).

President of the Serbian National Association of Mediators (NUMS) www.num.rs (2014)

Permanent Court Interpreter for English Language (2003)

Member of the Govt. of Serbia working groups for drafting new Law on Mediation (2012-2014) and Law on Free Legal Aid (2013-2015).

Member of the legal team of Ian Macdonald QC in the UK House of Lords case Regina v. SSHD (ex parte Abdi & Gave) 1 WLR 298 HL.

JAMS Weinstein International Mediation Fellowship (2012).

ICC International Mediation Student Competition Judge (2017)

Volunteer Mediator in LA County Superior Court (2018)

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Blazo Nedic, Mediator, Attorney-at-Law, Consultant, Trainer, Court Interpreter for English Language with 25 years of experience including legal practice in the UK and Serbia, mediation practice in Serbia, Europe and the US, and over 40 technical assistance and capacity building projects developed, managed and implemented in the areas of rule of law, democracy & governance, human rights, ADR & mediation, in Serbia and the region.

ADR and Mediation

- Mediator licensed by the Serbian Ministry of Justice, and accredited by the Serbian Chamber of Commerce and Anti-Discrimination Commissioner of Serbia
- Regional Mediator of the World Bank Group, Office of Mediation Services (MEF)
- Mediator accredited by the ADR Group (UK), and certified by the Law Society of England and Wales and American Bar Association (ABA)
- Visiting lecturer, Mediation Clinic, Belgrade University Faculty of Law
- Mediator specializing in commercial, construction, property, workplace, and discrimination disputes
- Capacity building, mediation case-management, and dispute resolution system development specialist
- Developed and delivered training programs for judges, lawyers, mediators, facilitators, negotiators, etc.
- JAMS Foundation, Weinstein International Mediation Fellowship (2012).
- ICC 12th International Mediation Student Competition Judge (2017).

Major Rule of Law, D & G, and Mediation Projects

- Support to development of associations of judges and prosecutors (USAID-ABA) (2001-2008).
- Support to establishment of Serbia Judicial Training Center (Judicial Academy) (USAID-ABA) (2001-2003).
- Support to development of "Clinical Legal Education" in Serbia law schools (USAID-ABA) (2001-2003).
- Development of ethical and disciplinary rules for judges and prosecutors (USAID-ABA) (2002-2006).
- Legislative analysis "Position of Judiciary in 24 European Constitutions" (USAID-ABA) (2005).
- Support to Development of Mediation in Serbian courts and Bar Associations (USAID - ABA) (2005-2006).
- Support to implementation of Personal Data Protection Law in Serbia (OSF, USAID - IREX) (2010-2012).
- Assessment of needs and Support to Kraljevo District Court Mediation Center (Canadian CIDA) (2009).
- Commercial Mediation Capacity Building Project, assessment, training & capacity building (IFC) (2011).
- Support to Anti-Discrimination Commissioner for Mediation in Discrimination Cases - (EU) (2011-2012).
- Free Legal Aid in South Serbia project - CSSP, UK Embassy (2013-2014).
- Personal Data Protection as a Basic Human Right (EU) (2012-2013).
- Criminal Defense Capacity Building Project (US State Department INL & ABA) (2012-2016).
- Assessment of Implementation of the Personal Data Protection Law (USAID – JRGA) (2013).
- Support to Implementation of out-of-court Restructuring of Companies in Serbia (EBRD) (2013-2015).
- Support to Development of Mediation in Local Ombudsman Offices in Serbia (NL Embass. MATRA) (2014)
- Regional E-learning program, Capacity Building of Bar Chambers of Serbia, Albania, Macedonia, Kosovo and Bosnia & Herzegovina (USAID, BRRLN, 2015-2016)
- Serbia Court Mediation Pilot Project (NL Embassy MATRA) (2016-2017)
- Serbia Commercial Mediation Project (EBRD) (2016-2018)
- Serbia Bar Associations & Mediation Project (NL Embassy MATRA) (2017-2019)
- EU for Serbia - Support to Supreme Court of Cassation (EU), Key Expert for ADR & Mediation (2018-2020)

Work Experience

- President of the Board & Program Director, Partners for Democratic Change Serbia (since 2008).
- Deputy Country Director (initially Legal Counsel & Staff Attorney), American Bar Association Rule of Law Initiative (ABA ROLI), USAID Rule of Law Project in Serbia (2001-2008).
- Attorney-at-Law, private practice, Belgrade, Serbia (1996-2001).
- Legal Assistant, Param & Co Solicitors, London (UK), Immigration, Refugee & Asylum Specialist (1993-96).
- Attorney-at-Law Trainee, M. Mandzuka Law Firm, Belgrade, Serbia (1991–1993).

Education

- Master of Laws (LLM) in Dispute Resolution, Straus Institute, Pepperdine University School of Law, Malibu, CA, USA (2018)
- Advanced Negotiation Certificate, Harvard University School of Law, Boston, MA, USA (2014)
- State Bar Examination, Belgrade, Serbia (1996)
- Postgraduate Diploma (PGD) in International & Comparative Business Law, London, UK (1995).
- Bachelor of Laws, (LLB), Belgrade University Faculty of Law, Belgrade, Serbia (1991).
- State Secondary School, Belgrade, Serbia (1984).

Memberships in Professional Associations, other activities

- President of the Serbian National Association of Mediators (2014)
- Attorney-at-Law, member of the Serbian Bar Association (1996)
- Associate Member of the American Bar Association (ABA) (2002)
- Permanent Court Interpreter for English language, appointed by the Serbian Ministry of Justice (2003)

Author of several training programs, presentations, manuals, educational films, assessment reports and articles in rule of law, D&G, ADR & mediation. Speaks Serbian (BCS), English and French. Mediates in Serbian and English.