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Dear Colleagues!

I devoted my previous pre-election speech to the results of work of the SPIBA Legal Committee, which at the time was called the Committee on Legislation and Public Policy. Over the past two years, the name of our committee is not the only thing that changed. The whole world has turned upside down more than once as well. 2020 was particularly challenging for everyone. This was true for business, people and the socio-psychological situation in general. At the outset, the main task was to survive, then to adapt by creating new models of behavior and using different business approaches.

Of course, the pandemic also had an impact on our “pastime” activities, regardless of how much we love and appreciate them. Unfortunately, in the last two years, the SPIBA Legal Committee was not as active as we all are used to, and for quite objective reasons. Our work was affected by courts being closed for quarantine and business priorities shifting from development to survival. The team of co-chairs has changed almost completely, and I am the only one from the 2019 team who continued working on the Committee during these two years. I hope to have done this in a worthy manner.

Let me re-introduce myself. I am still a Principal Associate at Capital Legal Services, practicing law for over 20 years, 14 of which are in consulting. I specialize in dispute resolution and provision of a legal framework for dialog between society, business and government. My position allows, as the saying goes, to keep abreast of business developments and to adapt to the ongoing changes easier and faster.

Over the last few years, SPIBA has become for me more than just a platform for communication. It has become a place where I have found friends, partners and like-minded people. Here we can generate worthwhile ideas, put forward real initiatives and contribute to the development of business in St. Petersburg and, potentially, in the country. Now the economy is reviving, and the usual course of life is coming back. Compared to the beginning of the pandemic, we now know how to take new challenges in stride. I am sure that the Committee is ready to get back on track, and I am committed to contributing to this decisively.

Law is a dynamic area, and in the recent years in particular numerous changes have taken place. The activities of the Committee, among other things, are aimed at gathering and systematizing the experience gained by its members, which we all are willing to share. In 2022, we intend to organize more events, help everyone interested to gain the necessary knowledge and contacts, and, if possible, contribute to the development of law.

I would really appreciate your support!

Sincerely,  
Igor Gorokhov

### Professional experience of Igor Gorokhov

Igor Gorokhov is a Principal Associate at the St. Petersburg office of Capital Legal Services. Igor specializes in regulating commercial disputes, and is part of the work group providing support for real estate projects.

He has been practicing law for over 20 years. During his years with the Company, he has implemented several successful projects on providing court protection to clients, as well as pre-trial settlement of disputes. Prior to joining Capital Legal Services, Igor worked as a corporate lawyer for a St. Petersburg bank holding and practiced litigation in commercial arbitration courts and in courts of general jurisdiction.

#### Areas of Law:

- Litigation
- Real Estate and Construction
- Contract Law

#### Recent projects:

- Defense of a Turkish airline in a dispute with the FSB Border Control Directorate. The dispute concerned the requirement for foreign flight crews to obtain Russian visas.
- Protection of interests of a major foreign holding in a court dispute with the Moscow Government on recognizing the ownership title to a real estate facility.
- Legal support of a client during preparation of a position in a dispute with the Association of Insurers in the High Court of Justice in London.
- Representation of a foreign manufacturer in several interrelated disputes in court with the Federal Antitrust Service in Saratov.
- Comprehensive legal support for a foreign group of forestry companies.
- Support in a case on recovery of over USD 740,000 of debt under a contract against the client's contracting party.

#### Education:

- St. Petersburg University of Humanities and Social Sciences, Law School (2002)

#### Languages:

- Russian
- English