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Rashid Gaissin is a partner in Armstrong Teasdale's Corporate law practice with over 20 years of experience advising local and international clients on a wide range of legal issues. His experience spans numerous sectors including banking and corporate finance, oil and gas, pharmaceuticals, retail and consumer markets, metals and mining, aviation and electronics.

Rashid also works with public- and private-sector clients, their shareholders and top management, and has advised on various finance transactions, international investments, regulatory work and negotiations.

Rashid has been recognised as a leading legal practitioner in the areas of natural resources, finance and corporate law in various directories, and has presented at more than 300 conferences and seminars in Kazakhstan, the U.K. and internationally over the last 15 years.

BACKGROUND

Prior to joining Armstrong Teasdale, Rashid was the head of legal practice in Kazakhstan and Central Asia for a Big Four accounting firm. Before that, he was co-managing partner of a large regional international law firm, where he led the transactions practice, including large cross-border transactions, M&A deals, and acquisitions or disposals of enterprises for transnational corporations, industrial companies and financial institutions.

Earlier in his career, Rashid led the legal practice in Kazakhstan and the Eurasia region at another Big Four accounting firm, and before that, spent more than nine years as managing partner of the largest Central Asian law firm.

EDUCATION

- BPP University Law School (LPC, 2004)
- BPP University Law School (Postgraduate Diploma, 2003)
 - Law
- Dundee University (LL.M., *with distinction*, 2000)
 - Petroleum Law and Policy
- KAZGUU University (Diploma in Law, *with distinction*, 1998)

SERVICES AND INDUSTRIES

Corporate

Mergers and Acquisitions

Capital Markets

ADMISSIONS

England and Wales

Kazakhstan

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- British Kazakh Law Association (Chairman)
- Kazakhstan Bar Association (KazBar) (Founding member)

CHARITABLE AND CIVIC INVOLVEMENT

- KIMEP Law School Mentorship Program (Founding Member)

ACCOLADES

- Who is Who Legal, Leading legal practitioner for Natural Resources, Finance and Corporate in Kazakhstan (2009-present)
- Legal 500 Kazakhstan (Corporate, Commercial and M&A, 2019-2020; Banking, Finance and Capital Markets and Energy and Natural Resources, 2019)

LANGUAGES

- Kazakh
- Russian

EXPERIENCE

Acted for Large U.S. Food Chain on Opening via Franchising in Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan

Acted on various legal issues for large U.S. food chain on its opening via franchising in Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan.

Acted for Kazakh Oil Services Company on Two JV Projects in Oil Services Sector

Acted for leading Kazakh oil services company on two joint venture projects with its international partners in the oil services sector.

Advised on \$350 Million Financing to 100% Samruk-Kazyna Owned Subsidiary

Acted for the lender on \$350 million financing to a 100% owned subsidiary of Samruk-Kazyna, Kazakhstan.

Acted on Sale of Subsidiary of Large Mobile Operator in Azerbaijan

Acted for a large European mobile operator on the sale of its subsidiary in Azerbaijan.

Advising on Acquisition of Large Kazakh Gold Mining Company

Acted for global international mining company on its proposed acquisition of large Kazakh gold mining company.

Advised on \$5 Billion Financing of Proposed Balkhash Power Station Project

Advised the sponsors of proposed Balkhash power station project in \$5 billion financing of first stage of the project.

Advised on London IPO of Eurasian Natural Resources Corporation

Advised major bank, global coordinator, sponsor and joint bookrunners on the a London IPO in 2007.

