LIUDMYLA GORADZE

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| *New York — Admission pending (July 2026 Uniform Bar Examination completed)* |

Ukraine — Admitted, 2015| *U.S. Political Asylum Granted*

EDUCATION

Cardozo School of Law, Yeshiva University – New York, NY

LL.M., Business, Corporate & Finance Law (Dean's Merit Scholar) – *Jun 2025*

- **Moot Court Honor Society** – drafted an appellate brief and delivered oral argument on a constitutional issue.
- **Litigation Curriculum:** Advanced Civil Procedure, Complex Commercial Litigation, Pretrial Practice & Strategy, Corporate Law, Negotiation.

Odessa National Maritime University – Ukraine

Master of Laws (LL.M. equivalent) – *Jun 2012*

BAR ADMISSIONS & CERTIFICATIONS

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Paralegal | Klee, Woolf, Goldman & Filipi LLP – New York, NY

Aug 2025 – Feb 2026

- Supported partners on 15+ active matters in the court, handling all phases of pre-trial and appellate preparation.
- Managed discovery processes, including drafting document requests, reviewing 5,000+ pages of productions, and coordinating third-party subpoenas.
- Drafted motions, appellate briefs, and memoranda of law; prepared exhibit binders and witness outlines for hearings, depositions, and oral arguments.
- Conducted legal research on complex procedural and substantive issues using Westlaw and LexisNexis; produced internal memoranda for partner review.
- Maintained case dockets and tracked deadlines, ensuring 100% timely filings.

Paralegal (Immigration Litigation) | New York Legal Assistance Group (NYLAG) – New York, NY

Apr 2023 – Sept 2024

- Managed an active docket of 250+ complex immigration cases.
- Conducted fact-development interviews with 150+ clients, identifying legal vulnerabilities and building compelling evidentiary records—skills directly transferable to witness preparation and client counseling in commercial litigation.
- Ensured strict compliance with USCIS protocols and federal filing deadlines, maintaining meticulous case records and program reports.

Founder & Legal Advisor | Mission Manhattan LLC – New York, NY

Aug 2022 – Present

- Advise 25+ startups and international businesses on corporate structuring, commercial contract negotiation, and regulatory compliance.
- Draft and negotiate operating agreements, NDAs, vendor contracts, and shareholder resolutions; conduct due diligence to identify litigation exposure and operational risks.

- Prepare and file state/federal entity registrations (IRS, BOI) and ensure ongoing corporate governance compliance.

Attorney (Commercial Litigation & Corporate Practice) | Ukrainian National Bar – Ukraine
Jun 2015 – Mar 2022

- Represented corporate clients, including **Alokozay Group** (international conglomerate) and **Bitinterpay LLC** (fintech), in complex commercial disputes, contract enforcement actions, and appellate proceedings.
- Drafted and argued motions, appellate briefs, and pleadings; prepared witnesses and evidentiary exhibits for hearings.
- Led legal due diligence for cross-border M&A and joint-venture transactions valued at $5M+.
- Developed internal AML/KYC frameworks and privacy policies for financial-sector clients, reducing regulatory exposure.
- Resolved pre-litigation disputes through strategic negotiation and early case assessment, avoiding court costs for 70%+ of contested matters.
- **Pro Se Asylum Case (U.S.)** – Solely prepared and presented successful affirmative asylum claim before USCIS during the Trump administration; developed factual record, drafted legal memorandum, and delivered oral advocacy—prevailed against high denial-rate backdrop.

CORE SKILLS & TECHNOLOGY

- **Litigation:** Motion Practice, Discovery (RFP, ROGs, Subpoenas), Deposition & Hearing Preparation, Appellate Briefing, Legal Research & Memo Writing.
- **Corporate/Transactional:** Contract Drafting & Negotiation, Due Diligence, Corporate Governance, AML/KYC, Entity Formation.
- **Tech:** Westlaw, LexisNexis, PACER, NY eCourts, USCIS Portal, Legal Server, SharePoint, Asana, DocuSign, Adobe Acrobat Pro.
- **Languages:** English (fluent), Russian (native), Ukrainian (native), Spanish (conversational), French (conversational).