Business, Operational & Strategic Support

Ziad El-Hefnawy Legal Manager & Counsel

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Garden City, Cairo, Egypt
1980-06-19

• Efficient legal counselling, business operation, strategic support, risk management, dispute management, process optimization, and strategic advisory in diverse private and public sectors including in the Technology, Automotive, Real Estate, Construction, Engineering, Space, Agriculture, and more industries **since 2005**. Fluency in Arabic, English and French.

2002 Masters of International Business Law French Sorbonne section - Bachelor equiv. Maitrise + Egyptian Diploma Equivalent Cairo Univ.

1997 Baccalaureate, French school: (C.S.F., Jésuites Cairo - Scientific section)

Professional Experience

Hefnawy House - Legal & Management Consulting

Legal & Management Consultant and founder of HH

2024 - present

Bin Suwaidan Law Firm

Head of Corporate Affairs

2022 - 2024

Dubai remotely - Cairo

Managed the firm's corporate and commercial department providing legal counsel to UAE clients (Sectors including Construction, Services, Technology and Space industry – Advising on mega Projects, Contracts, general Coprorate as well as dispute negotiation and management).

Self- Employed Legal Consultant

2019 - 2022

Egypt

- Operation and Business support and Consultancy to private sector.
- Author and Self published « Virtual Smart Codes Socio-Legal Reflections on Connected Technologies ». https://diwanegypt.com/product/virtual-smart-codes/

Al Fahim Group

2015 - 2019

Senior Legal Counsel

Abu Dhabi UAE

- Legal Counsel and training to the Group Management and Shared Services in Automotive, Real Estate, Hospitality, Products, and Services industries.
- Managed the Automotive BU (Mercedes, Jeep, Fiat, Michelin, Bosch). Managed and coordinated the business with Principals, External Counsels and Local Authorities.
- High judicial and non-judicial dispute resolution success rate.
- Remodeled the Legal Department's information flow and document management system.

Parsons International Ltd. (Civil Engineering)

2013 - 2015

Contracts Administrator

Abu Dhabi UAE

- Contract, RFP and claim management, risk analysis and general counsel to Management.
- Managed MENA Group Registrations, Licensing, Classification as well as Procurement policies.
- Focused consultancy to Parsons' Transportation Group Division.

Agricultural Family Project

General Manager

2011 - 2013

Ismailia Egypt

• Managed all legal, governmental, commercial, labor, financial, water, land and security matters.

M. Yassin Tag-El-Din Law Firm

2011 - 2013

Of Counsel (Part-time)

Cairo Egypt

• Legal support with arbitration cases.

Orascom Telecom Holding

2010 - 2011

Legal Specialist

Cairo Egypt

- Contract, M&A's and general legal advisory.
- Managed the **regulatory requirements of Company's Subsidiaries** in over 10 Countries.
- Improved **Information Flow** processes within the Group.

NTRA (National Telecom Regulatory Authority)

2005 - 2010

Attorney at Law

Smart Villages Egypt

- Legal Advice and Support to Governmental Institutions, Operators, and Customers.
- Review and draft of **RFPs**, **Licenses and Contracts** (including the 3rd mobile operator license- Etisalat).
- Draft of the Interconnection **Dispute Resolution Ministerial Decree** and a member of DR Committee.
- Close collaboration and support to **International Relations** Department (Including a 2-year twinning program with the European Union with the Italian and German Regulators).
- Represented NTRA in **Conferences and Workshops** in Egypt and abroad (including IGFs, Telecom Management, French Telecom Regulators Network and Convergence conferences).

Professional Trainings & Courses

Courses and certificates:

• Strategic Management (Copenhagen Bus School, 2023), Business Development foundations (Linked-in – 2022), Egy Labor Law (Justice Academy, 2022), AI & Law (Lund Univ – 2022), Privacy Law & Data Protection (Univ of Pennsylvania – 2021), Internet Giants: The Law and Economics of Media Platforms (Univ of Chicago-2020), Strategic Management (International Bus Management Institute - 2020), The complete Management skills certification (Eazl - 2020), Effective Legal Office Administration (Integrity - 2020), The Science of Leadership (Brain Academy - 2020), People management (Biz Group – 2016), Public speaking (ISOC – 2015), Drafting of internal and admin regulations & policies (Sabra Group-2009), Contract Drafting (Al-Adala Center for Arbitration-2009), Internet Governance Diplomats (Diplo. Foundation – 2009), Telecommunications Management in the New Environment Program (TEMIC-2008), Environmental Law (1st year of diploma D.E.A. Paris II Sorbonne, 2004-2005), Arbitration & Alternative Dispute Resolution Procedures (Paris II – Sorbonne, 2003-2004), International trading law Courses (Magistere level) French section - Cairo University, 2002-2003.

Trainings:

• Fidal Law Firm - France (2013) / Baker & McKenzie Law firm - Cairo (2007) / Alcatel's CIT France (2004) / Legal assistant Telephony Mediator's Office - Paris (2004) / Ibrachy & Dermarkar law firm - Cairo (2003) / Edu-France Agency - Paris (2001) / Franco-Egyptian Business Association (1999-2000).

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