

CURRICULUM VITAE

Proposed role in the project:

Family name: MANDIJA

First names: LEDINA

Date of birth: 03.06.1974

Nationality: ALBANIAN

Civil status: SINGLE

Education: LAW



Institution (Date from - Date to)	Degree(s) or Diploma(s) obtained:
LAW FACULTY University of Shkoder “Luigj Gurakuqi” 1992-1996	Law Degree (98 of 100) LAWYER
LAW FACULTY Civil Department University of Tirana 2003-2005	MASTER in the Science of Civil Law (95 of 100)
LAW FACULTY Civil Department University of Tirana 2009-2013	PhD in Civil Law , graduated with the thesis: ”The principles of the transnational civil procedure-Recognition and enforcement of foreign judicial and arbitration decisions on civil and commercial cases” (95 of 100)
LAW FACULTY Institute of Private Right Karl Franzens University of Graz	PhD candidate, with the thesis “International and European Standards on Jurisdiction, Applicable Law and the Recognition of the Judgments in the matters of Child Custody and Access Rights, and Albanian Practice”

Language skills: Indicate competence on a scale of 1 to 5 (1 - excellent; 5 - basic)

Language	Reading	Speaking	Writing
ALBANIAN	1	1	1
ENGLISH	1	1	1

FRENCH	2	3	2
ITALIAN	2	3	2

Membership of professional bodies:

Since 1999, Member of the National Bar Association.

2001 - 2003, Advocate near the Advocacy Center for Women, Shkoder

Since 2006, Member of the International Organization of Family Law

Since 2006, Member of the International Organization of Civil procedural Law

September 2006 –April 2007, Executive Director of CAO (Citizen’s Advocacy Office), branch of Shkoder.

2009-2011, Member of the National Commission on Consumer Protection

Other skills: (e.g. Computer literacy, etc.)

Excellent knowledge of applications on Windows (Microsoft Project, Microsoft Word, Microsoft Excel, Power Point, etc)

Present position: Legal Advisor of the President of Republic of Albania

Years within the firm: 2 years and 9 months

Key qualifications: (Relevant to the project)

1996 Law Degree from the University of Shkoder with the Thesis “The action of revendication and negation”

Since 1996- 2007 , 11 years full-time professor of the Family Law and Civil Procedural Law in Law Faculty, University of Shkoder and at the same time advocate in the court representing the clients in civil and family matters.

Since 2007, part-time professor in Law Faculty of Tirana Civil Procedural Law, Family Law

Since 2007-2014, 7 years State Advocate in central level representing Republic of Albania in European Court of Human Rights, International Arbitration, Constitutional Court, Supreme Court etc

Since 2010, lecturer of the initial training and expert of continuous training of judges in the Magistrate School of Albania(family law, international arbitration)

2005, Master degree in the Civil Science from University of Tirana

2013 PhD from University of Tirana with the Thesis “The principles of the transnational civil procedure-Recognition and enforcement of foreign judicial and arbitration decisions on civil and commercial cases”

August, 1997, Training Course on Law, Public administration and Social Changes, Budapest, Hungary organized by CEU.

May- July, 1998, Research on civil procedural law and family near Law Faculty, University of Bologna organized by Tempus

Oct -Nov, 2000, Research on civil procedures and divorces near Law Faculty, University Karl-Franzens Austria, organized by Tempus.

July, 2002, Training course on law for non- profit organization, organized by ICNL

October, 2005, Research on civil procedure near Law Faculty, University Karl-Franzens Austria

January-June, 2006, Fellowship in Law near Law Faculty, University of Kansas- JFDP program financed from Department of State, USA

Actually, Phd Candidate, University Karl Franzens, Graz, Austria with the thesis: “International and European Standards on Jurisdiction, Applicable Law and the Recognition of the Judgments in the matters of Child Custody and Access Rights, and Albanian Practice”

Presentation in the doctoral seminar in Graz “International and EU Human Rights Law(Introduction into scientific working in International Law)” with the topic : “Human Rights dialogue towards Albania” (written paper and oral presentation)

Presentation in the doctoral seminar in Graz “Legal Harmonization in the EU-the case of Austria, Croatia and Slovenia” with the topic: “The stabilization and Association Process as a pillar for legal harmonization-The case of Albania.” (written paper and oral presentation)

Presentation in the doctoral seminar in Graz “Challenging Paternity under the jurisprudence of the European Court of Human Rights” (written paper and oral presentation)

2001-2002, Participation, like a coordinator and trainer in the two years distance learning course of the judges in the framework of the tempus project “A model of European judge” (Albania, Macedonia, Bosnia-Herzegovina) organized in Forli in collaboration with other western European Faculties and institutions.

2002-2003, Participation, like a consultant and trainer in the program for the tempus project “A European space of justice”(Albania, Macedonia, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Serbia, Croatia, Montenegro) organized in Forli in collaboration with other western European Faculties and institutions.

2003-2004, Expert and coordinator in the study project “Improving the activity of The criminal proceeding organs and courts, regarding a better implementation of the laws that punish and prevent family violence”, CLCI, Tirana.

2004-2005, Main Legal Expert in drafting and lobbying the Domestic Violence Law, contracted by CAO (Citizens Advocacy Office)-Tirana and CLCI (Center for Legal and Civic Initiatives)-Tirana.

2006-2009, Expert, trainer and coordinator for the University of Shkoder in the Consortium contracted by EU Commission (Integrating and strengthening the European Area-Human Security in the western Balkan region: the impact of transnational terrorist and criminal organizations on the peace-building process of the region. (Contract No.028795 (CIT5))

October 2006, Contracted by UNDP as legal expert in drafting the sublegal acts on Domestic Violence

January 2010 –October 2013, Representing the RoA in the negotiation process with the Albanian applicants before the European Court of Human Rights, in different cases as requested by the Court.

October 2011-October 2013, Representing the RoA before European Court of Human Rights, CM-DH and CDDH meetings.

Specific experience in the region:

Country	Date from - Date to
ITALY/Bologna/Forli	<p>2001-2002, coordinator and lecturer distance learning course of judges tempus project “A model of European judge” (Albania, Macedonia, Bosnia-Herzegovina) organized in Forli in collaboration with other western European Faculties and institutions.</p> <p>2002-2003, consultant and trainer in the program for the tempus project “A European space of justice”(Albania, Macedonia, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Serbia, Croatia, Montenegro) organized in Forli in collaboration with other</p>

	western European Faculties and institutions.
Graz, Serbia, Montenegro, Slovenia, Croatia, Albania, Bosnie Herzegovina	2006-2009 , Expert, trainer and coordinator for the University of Shkoder in the Consortium contracted by EU Commission (Integrating and strengthening the European Area-Human Security in the western Balkan region: the impact of transnational terrorist and criminal organizations on the peace-building process of the region. (Contract No.028795 (CIT5))

Professional experience

Date from - Date to	Location	Company & reference person ¹ (name & contact details)	Position	Description
1996-2007	Shkoder	University “Luigj Gurakuqi” Law Faculty	Lecturer Head of Civil Law Department	Lecturer full time Family Law, Civil Procedural Law, Head of the Civil Department
2000-2003			Member of the Senate of the University and Head of Legal Commission of the Senate	
2007-2010	Tirane	State Advocacy	State Advocate	Representing Albania in international Arbitration, consulting and negotiating

¹ The Contracting Authority reserves the right to contact the reference persons. If you can not provide a reference, please provide a justification.

				international contracts etc
2010-2013	Tirane	State Advocacy	General State Advocate	Representing Albania before internal and international courts, ECtHR, contracts, consulting public administration etc
2013-2014	Tirane	State Advocacy	State Advocate International Arbitration and Consulting Contracts	representing Administrative Court of Appeal, consulting contracts
Since 2014	Tirane	Institution of the President	Legal Assistant of the President of RoA	Representing President in the Constitutional Court, consulting in the process of the approbation of laws , legal reform etc.
2009-2014	Tirane	University Marin Barleti (Dr.Illir Panda)	Lecturer part time	Civil Procedural law
2010-2015	Tirane	Magistrate School	Lecturer part-time and expert	family law, international arbitration
2001-2003	Shkoder	Advocacy Center for Women, Shkoder	Advocate for family cases	Representing in the court the women in the divorce, custody, adoption etc
2003-2004	Tirane	CLCI (Center for legal civic initiative) (Advocate, Expert	Expert and coordinator in the study project "Improving the activity of The criminal proceeding

				organs and courts, regarding a better implementation of the laws that punish and prevent family violence”, CLCI, Tirana.
2004-2005	Tirane	CAO (Citizens Advocacy Center)	Expert	Main Legal Expert in drafting and lobbying the Domestic Violence Law
2006	Tirane	UNDP	Expert	expert in drafting the sublegal acts on Domestic Violence

Other relevant information (e.g., Publications)

Conferences and publications:

Presentation in the Conference “European Convention Application in Albanian legislation” with the topic “European Convention Application in Family Law in the Republic of Albania “

Presentation in the conference “Justice according to lawyers’ viewpoint” with the topic “Juridical system organization in the Republic of Albania”

Participation in the publication of the book “The youngsters in the social panorama in Shkoder district” with the topic “Welfare System in the Republic of Albania and its application to Shkoder district”

Presentation in the conference “The convention of children’s rights and her application on Albanian’s legislation” organized by Law Faculty of Shkoder and OSCE, with the topic: “The application of some articles of the Convention on Albanian’s legislation”

Presentation in the course of the tempus project “A model of European Judge” with the subject “Harmonization of the Albanian legal system with the Acquis Communautaire”, published on the web www.uniadriun.unibo.it/judge, on the course " A model of European Judge"(distance learning course)

Presentation in the conference "Albania and Association Stabilization process" with the topic " Harmonization of civil procedural law, recognition and enforcement of foreign decisions", organized by Law Faculty of Shkodra in collaboration with Law Faculty of Tirana.

Presentation in the conference " I want to have a family" with the topic " Custody-actual legislation and the project of family Code" - organized by the association " Papa Giovanni XXIII"

Participation in the study " Domestic violence and the justice ".

Presentation in the seminar " New Family Code and Notary problems", with the topic " Parental Responsibilities " organized by Notary Association of Shkoder and Albania.

Publication in the scientific bulletin of University of Shkoder nr.56, 2006, " The enforcement of the judicial decisions- in the framework of the article 6/1 of the European Convention on Human Rights"

Publication in the legal journal of the Magistrate School of Albania „Jeta Juridike“, no.4, 2006 „The importance of the law on measures against domestic violence in Albania”

Co-Author on the Guideline on Law on Domestic Violence (The state structures implementing the law on Domestic Violence), (published by CAO, 2008)

Publication in the legal journal Justicia, no 1, 2008 "Harmonization of the legislation on civil procedure in Europe and Albania"

Publication in the legal journal "Gjeopolitika", no.7, 2011 "The development of the jurisprudence of European Court of Human Rights in administrative cases"

Publication in the legal Journal "HUMSEC Issues", no.3, 2009 " Restorative justice and victim offender mediation in criminal matters involving teenagers and youngsters in Albania"

Publication in the journal of the international family law "The international Survey of family law" 2009 edition, ISBN 978 184661 1827 with the topic "Family law relations between children and parents according to Albanian legislation-The meaning and importance of Parental Responsibility"

Participation in the 13th conference of the international family law, 2008, with the topic " Principles, deviations therefrom and consequences of formal and non-formal relationships", ISBN -978-99956-34-38-4

Participation in the national conference organized by the Law Faculty of Tirana " Challenges of the Albanian society in the process of the European integration", July 2009, with the topic " The

recognition and the execution of the foreign decision of the arbitration”, ISBN 978-2-902638-10-6.

Participation in the international conference “Challenges of the European Economic integration of Western Balkan”, 2010, with the topic “ Consumer protection law in the framework of the harmonization with the EU legislation”, ISBN 978-9928-4011-2-0

Publication in the journal of the international family law “The international Survey of family law” 2016 edition, ISBN 978 1 78473 2172 with the topic “Reforming the Adoption Legislation in Albania and the Best Interest of the Child”, etc

Publication in the journal of the international family law “The international Survey of Family Law” 2017 edition, in process, with the topic “Marital Property Regimes in Albania” (March 2017)

Participation in the national conference “The Economic and legal developments in Albania in the framework of the process of the negotiation for membership in EU” with the topic “The Treatment of the property in Albania in the framework of the jurisprudence of ECtHR” (April 2017)

Major Projects

2007-2010, Representing Republic Albania in collaboration with legal office “Polverini & Agaci” in the International arbitration “General Electric vs Republic of Albania”, under the rules of ICC. Representing in process of the annulment of the arbitral award and in the process of negotiation in collaboration with the legal office “ Grimaldi & associate”

2007-2008, Representing RoA in the International Arbitration “OstElectra vs.RoA (KESH sh.a)”, under the rules of ICC

2007-2008, Representing RoA in the International Arbitration “Energy Holding s.r.l Rumenia vs RoA (KESH)”

2008-2009, Representing RoA in collaboration with Av. Heggeman in the International Arbitration “ BE-HA-SE vs GDR Republic of Albania” under the ICC Rules. Representing GDR before the Appeal Court of Tirana for the recognition of the arbitral award.

2008-2009, Representing RoA in close collaboration with Av. Hamid Gharavi (Partner to Salans) in the International Investment Arbitration “Pantehnik vs RoA”, under the ICSID rules of Arbitration

2009-2010, Representing RoA in the international arbitration “ S.Saranda vs MBUMK , RoA”, under the ICC Rules

2012-2013, Representing RoA in close collaboration with legal office DG&L in the international investment arbitration “Burimi s.r.l vs RoA”, under the ICSID Rules

2007-2013, Representing the RoA before the Appeal Court of Tirana in the process of the recognition /refusal of the arbitral award in the cases: “ Italstrade vs RoA”, “ Iliria s.a vs RoA” etc

Consulting and representing RoA in the negotiation process of the enforcement of the arbitral award in different cases: “Italstrada vs RoA”, “ Safa vs RoA”, “ Pranvera sh.p.k vs RoA (MBUMK)“, “General Electric vs RoA”

2012-2013, Representing the RoA in close collaboration with Cherrie Booth and Mahnaz Malik in the international arbitration “Sky Petroleum vs RoA” , under the UNCITRAL.

2011 -2013, Representing the RoA in close collaboration with H. Gharavi and S. von Dewalle in the international investment arbitration “Mamidoil vs RoA”

November 2012 – October 2013, In close collaboration with the legal office (Derains, Gharavi & Lazareff) consulting and representing the RoA in the process of negotiation, to the withdrawal process of the electric energy distribution company CEZ shperndarje, international investment arbitration in the case CEZ a.s vs RoA, of the Removal of the license to Cez Shperndarje, and the strategy of the arbitration process against CEZ a.s.

April 2007- October 2013, Consulting and representing the RoA in the negotiation and drafting of several international contracts with foreign investors and important projects such as Eurobond, TAP etc

January 2010 –October 2013, Representing the RoA in the negotiation process with the Albanian applicants before the European Court of Human Rights, in different cases as requested by the Court.

October 2011-October 2013, Representing the RoA before European Court of Human Rights, CM-DH and CDDH meetings

Me, the undersigned, Ledina Mandia, certify by my knowledge and belief, that these data are correctly given and that they describe me, my qualifications and experience.

Tirana, April 2017