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### **BRIEF BIOGRAPHY:**

Serhiy Chorny is a Co-Managing Partner of the Kyiv Office of Baker McKenzie since 2011. Serhiy leads the Kyiv Office's Banking, Finance and Capital Markets Practices and is a member of the Firm's global Restructuring and Insolvency Advisory Committee. Baker McKenzie is among Ukraine's leading law firms since 1992. The Kyiv Office and Serhiy individually are consistently top ranked by key international and domestic directories of legal services providers, and recently was named Eminent Practitioner and Market Leader in his practice areas by Chambers, IFLR1000 and other legal business sources.

Serhiy obtained LL.M. with honors in International Law (1987) from the Kyiv State University and C.Sc. in Law (1992) from the Institute of State and Law of the Ukrainian Academy of Sciences. He also received an LL.M. with distinction at the University of Essex, United Kingdom (1994) and a diploma at Institut International des Droits de l'Homme, Strasbourg, France (1993). Prior to joining Baker McKenzie in 1993,

Serhiy worked at the Institute of State and Law of the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine. He is a Partner at Baker McKenzie since 1998.

Why do you think membership in the American Chamber of Commerce is important for business operating in Ukraine?

The Chamber is an association of businesses and people guided by the principles of fair play, rule of law and social responsibility. Even in the current most unusual and unpredictable environment, the Chamber maintains an effective dialogue with the Government and within the business community to see these principles implemented. Membership in the Chamber provides an excellent opportunity to participate in this process in the most efficient manner.

What motivates you to be a Chamber Board Member?

The Board is responsible for supervising and guiding the Chamber's activities. I believe that my understanding of the business and political environment in which the Chamber operates, and my professional and managerial experience, may add value in carrying out this function of the Board.

Why do you feel you are qualified to serve on the Chamber Board? What skills would you bring to the Board?

In addition to bringing to the Board the skills and experience of a legal professional, I will aim to reflect the position of a Ukrainian citizen who understands the value of safe, fair and transparent business environment for the country's development, and also understands the challenges which foreign/international and domestic businesses face in Ukraine.

How have you been active in the Chamber over the course of the last two years?

I served on the Chamber's Board for the last seven years. I served on the Board's Executive Committee and assisted the President and the Board in resolving legal issues arising in the Chamber's activities. I participated in the development of strategy for the work of the Chamber's Legal Committee and its



Working Groups. Finally, I ensured that lawyers of Baker McKenzie actively participate in the work of the Chamber.

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What activity or Committee would you participate in and be responsible for?

Primarily (but not exclusively) the Legal Committee and its Working Groups.

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