



**YOUR FULL NAME:**

Serhiy Chorny

**YOUR JOB TITLE:**

Managing Partner, Director

**YOUR COMPANY:**

Baker McKenzie Ukraine B.V.

**YOUR BRIEF BIOGRAPHY (250-300 words):**

Serhiy Chorny is the Managing Partner and Director of Baker McKenzie Ukraine B.V. since 2022, and has been co-managing the Kyiv Office of Baker McKenzie – CIS, Limited from 2011 until 2022. Serhiy leads the Kyiv Office's Banking, Finance and Capital Markets Practices. Baker McKenzie is among Ukraine's leading law firms since 1992. Serhiy joined Baker McKenzie 30 years ago, in 2023, and became a Partner in the firm in 1998. Baker McKenzie and its Kyiv Office, and Serhiy individually, are consistently top ranked by key international and domestic directories of legal services providers.

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



AMERICAN CHAMBER  
OF COMMERCE  
UKRAINE

# 2024 AMERICAN CHAMBER BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTIONS

International des Droits de l'Homme, Strasbourg, France (1993). Prior to joining Baker McKenzie, Serhiy worked at the Institute of State and Law of the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine.

## ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

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

During the wartime in Ukraine, the Chamber's role as conveyor, promoter and defender of interests of its members, as well as promoter of Ukraine in the international arena, has increased dramatically. Despite the unprecedented circumstances since February 2022, the Chamber continued to operate efficiently and to help its members to resist stresses and uncertainty, as well as to monitor and help mitigating or averting adverse changes in the business and regulatory environment.

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What motivates you to be the Chamber Board Member?

The Board has shown true leadership during the most difficult and stressful years 2022 and 2023. I trust that I have made a small but tangible contribution to the Board's work when serving as the Board Member and Legal Secretary during that period, and that I can continue to be useful going forward.

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

I have a 10+ years experience of managing the Kyiv Office of one of the largest and most successful global and Ukrainian law firms, and have taken positions in various governing bodies of my firm recently. This is apart from my 30+ years experience as practising lawyer in Ukraine. I understand well the legal and business environment of my country and where we stand internationally, both pluses and drawbacks. I am an independently minded person and have no reservations expressing my opinion on issues of law, business or politics concerning my country or the issues faced by the Chamber in Ukraine. Ukraine is truly in my heart and I do whatever I can at present, in my position within my firm and as an individual, to help bringing Ukraine's victory, and I believe that ultimately we will prevail over barbarian russians and will live in our prosperous country - which is destined to be very central to the European cultural, economic and political environment. I believe that my experience and mindset will be of assistance to the operation of the Chamber and its Board.

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

I served as the Board Member and Legal Secretary, and assisted with drafting the Chamber's regulations and policies as well as resolving various legal and regulatory issues arising in the Chamber's activities. I have also ensured an active participation of employees of my firm in all activities of the Chamber and in the work of its many Committees.

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

The Legal Committee in the first place.

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Are you a member of the Board of Directors of similar associations?

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