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Biography

At Kostelanetz LLP, Yelena Niazyan's practice is focused on white-collar criminal defense, investigations, and civil and criminal tax controversies. As a compliment to her legal work, she also is a Certified Fraud Examiner.

Yelena has prior legal internship experience at the U.S. Attorney's Offices for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York, the Brooklyn District Attorney's Office, the New York Attorney General's Office, and the New York City Law Department. In those roles, she worked on cases involving criminal and consumer frauds, violent crimes, torts, and forfeitures.

Yelena received her J.D. *cum laude* from New York University School of Law, where she was a Program on Corporate Compliance and Enforcement Fellow. While there, she also served as a research assistant to Professor Barry Friedman and as an Articles Editor for the Annual Survey of American Law.

Prior to law school, Yelena spent five years at a corporate intelligence firm providing due diligence and investigative services to Fortune 500 companies. She received her B.A. with honors from Wesleyan University in 2011.

Education

- Wesleyan University, B.A. (2011)
- New York University School of Law, J.D. (2020), *cum laude*

Bar Admissions

- New York State
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York
- U.S. Tax Court

Professional Certifications

- Certified Fraud Examiner (CFE)