PERMANENT

International Arbitration Court “Grand Jury of Kazakhstan”

Independent resolution of civil disputes in Kazakhstan and abroad

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ABOUT US

Who we are

The Grand Jury of Kazakhstan Permanent International Arbitration Court is an independent permanent arbitration institution. It operates under the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan “On Arbitration” of 8 April 2016, other legislative acts of the Republic of Kazakhstan and applicable international treaties.

Which disputes

Disputes arising from civil-law relations between individuals, individual entrepreneurs and legal entities — wherever they are located, in Kazakhstan or abroad.

On what basis

A written arbitration agreement: a clause in the contract, an exchange of letters or electronic documents, or a statement of defence that does not object to arbitration.

Succession

Full legal successor to the Permanent Arbitration “Grand Jury of Kazakhstan” (decision of the Founder of 22.10.2026) and, through it, to the Arbitral Tribunal “Grand Jury of Kazakhstan”.

> *Arbitration is a form of alternative dispute resolution: the dispute is decided on the basis of the parties’ mutual consent.*

ADVANTAGES

Why parties choose arbitration

1

Choice of arbitrators

The parties decide on the number of arbitrators, may replace an arbitrator from the constituted tribunal or agree on a sole arbitrator.

ART. 23

2

Place and time

The seat is Almaty. By agreement of the parties, hearings may be held in another city of Kazakhstan or abroad.

ART. 5

3

Confidentiality

Hearings are held in camera. The Chairman, arbitrators and staff do not disclose information about disputes.

ART. 6, 30

4

Speed

Where possible, proceedings are completed within 30 days of the constitution of the arbitral tribunal.

ART. 9

COMPARISON

Arbitration Court vs state court

	Grand Jury of Kazakhstan International Arbitration Court	State court
Duration	Up to 30 days from the constitution of the arbitral tribunal (Art. 9)	Proceedings through the instances may take 5–6 months or longer
Who decides	Arbitrators chosen by the parties or appointed by the Chairman (Art. 23–24)	A judge assigned by case allocation; the parties do not choose
Finality	The award is final and not reviewed on the merits; it may be set aside only on the grounds of the Law on Arbitration (Art. 51)	Judgments may be appealed on appeal and in cassation
Confidentiality	Hearings are private unless the parties agree otherwise (Art. 30)	Proceedings are generally public
Place	Almaty or any place agreed by the parties, including abroad (Art. 5)	Under jurisdiction rules, usually at the respondent's location
Enforcement	Voluntary or by writ of execution; abroad under the 1958 New York Convention (Art. 52)	Under the rules of enforcement proceedings

ARBITRATORS

Quality starts with the careful selection of arbitrators

Requirements for arbitrators (Art. 3)

- At least 30 years of age
- Higher education and at least 5 years of professional experience
- A sole arbitrator and the presiding arbitrator must hold a law degree
- Independence from the parties and no interest in the outcome

Declaration of independence

Each arbitrator signs a declaration of independence and discloses any circumstances that may raise doubts about his or her impartiality.

Objectivity policy

Arbitrators adhere to the Arbitration Court's Policy on the Objectivity and Independence of Arbitrators.

Public list

The list of arbitrators is approved for 5 years and published on kazcourt.kz: education, specialisation, experience, languages.

PROCESS

A modern, convenient process

1

Videoconferencing

A session or part of it can be held online at the request of the parties or on the tribunal's initiative — convenient when a party or the chosen arbitrator is in another city or country.

ART. 31

2

PDF documents

The statement of claim and documents can be filed electronically at info.sud@kazcourt.kz. Copies are also sent to the parties' e-mail addresses.

ART. 15, 18

3

SMS and e-mail

Notices are sent to the mobile phone numbers and e-mail addresses provided by the parties.

ART. 10

4

Electronic minutes

At the parties' request, minutes are kept and may be drawn up electronically with digital signatures.

ART. 41

REGIONS

Our representatives across the country

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Partners and representatives of the Arbitration Court work in 14 cities of Kazakhstan, and the network keeps growing.

Representatives' contacts are in the Regions section at kazcourt.kz



GETTING STARTED

How to refer a dispute to the Arbitration Court

1

Arbitration agreement

Include an arbitration clause in your contract, or conclude a separate arbitration agreement for an existing contract.

2

Statement of claim

If a dispute arises, file a statement of claim in person, by post or as a PDF to info.sud@kazcourt.kz (Art. 13–15).

3

Proceedings

The Arbitration Court constitutes the arbitral tribunal and hears the dispute, where possible within 30 days.

MODEL ARBITRATION CLAUSE

"All disputes, disagreements or claims arising out of or in connection with this contract, including those relating to its performance, breach, termination or invalidity, shall be resolved by the Grand Jury of Kazakhstan Permanent International Arbitration Court in accordance with its Arbitration Rules. The arbitral award shall be final."

It is free and takes little time — and it can save you a great deal of time later.

CLIENTS

Our clients

Tsesnabank JSC

Astana Capital Invest JSC

- Zaisan Holding Company LLP
- Ecoferma LLP (Chilik)
- Zholbarys Security Company LLP

TESTIMONIALS

What our clients say

The Association's team are top-level specialists with extensive legal experience. A balanced position, leadership and high speed are the hallmarks of the company's management.

D. Zhaksybek
Head, Tsesnabank JSC

We have a long and strong partnership with the company. Throughout our work together we have always managed to find compromises on issues of any complexity. I hope our cooperation will be just as fruitful in the future.

D. Tiyasov
Director, Zaisan Holding Company LLP

I am confident that the Association of Legal Entities "International Forum for Legal Reform Assistance" has a brilliant future. Working with it gives us confidence in the success of our future projects.

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