

## **Aoun, Alia (France/Lebanon)**

(Original: English)

### **Statement of qualifications**

Attorney, Paris Bar

### **Personal information**

45 years old

Lebanese and French national

### **Work experience**

Sept. 2010 - May 2012 : Special Tribunal For Lebanon ([www.stl-tsl.org](http://www.stl-tsl.org)), The Hague

Deputy Head of the Defence Office

- Advice to the Head of the Defence Office on strategic matters
- Liaising with international and governmental organizations
- Diplomatic briefings, lecturing to judges, lawyers and law scholars
- Liaising with the organs of the tribunal and representing the Defence Office in inter-organ meetings
- Appearing in court on issues related to the fairness of the proceedings
- Proposals of amendments to the Rules of procedure and evidence and representation of the Defence Office within the Rules Committee of the Tribunal
- Orienting and supervising the work of the Legal Advisory Section
- Negotiating and adopting policies, guidelines and procedures for counsels
- Providing and organizing legal training for counsels
- Coordinating the budgeting process and financial management of the Office
- Acting on behalf of the Head of the Defence Office upon request or in his absence
- Recruitment and supervision of staff and consultants

Oct. 2006 - ongoing: Lawyers Association For Lebanon ([www.ajliban.org](http://www.ajliban.org)), Paris

President, Founding Member

- Implementing the goals of the association : promotion of the Rule of law in Lebanon, defence of the civil liberties and abolition of death penalty
- Organizing and chairing seminars that bring together politicians, academics and lawyers on controversial issues :
  - *“Lebanon and the international legal order”* in 2007, *“The electoral reform”* in 2008, *“The Lebanese state, between crisis and reconstruction”* in 2009,
  - *“The role of Lebanon as a non-permanent member of the Security Council of the UN”* in 2010
- Fundraising

- Publishing the works of the association

July 2000 - Sept. 2010: Alia Aoun Law Office, Paris

Attorney at law, Founder

- General practice with specialization in criminal procedure and immigration law
- Defence of human rights activists and associations such as Act Up, La Ligue des Droits de l'Homme and the Committee against Modern Slavery
- Launching of the first trials in France after the adoption of the anti-discrimination law : 10.16.2008, Trial Chamber, Paris, *Halde vs. Hanotelle*,
- Racial discrimination ; 01.25.2007, Court of Appeals, Douai, *Act-Up vs. Vanneste*, homophobic insult
- Responsibility for the teaching of criminal law and criminal procedure at the Paris Bar School from 2002 to 2004
- Management of the Paris Bar teams of Public Defenders between 2002 and 2004

April 1996 - June 2000: Michel Audouin Verin & Hadjidjanian Marcus Seine-Saint-Denis

Junior lawyer

- Intensive practice as a trial counsel for the accused, victims and immigrants

Nov. 1991 - Aug. 1993: Compagnie Bancaire Et Financière Du Batiment Et Des Travaux Publics, Paris

Business Banking Client Manager

### **Publications**

- "*Droit et politique au Liban*", Les Cahiers de l'Orient, n°38, Paris, April 2009 : direction and coordination
- "*Quelle loi, quel juge, quel crime ?*", in Les Cahiers de l'Orient, n°38, Paris, April 2009
- "*Histoire du droit et de la justice en France*", collective work, Prat, Paris 2007 : author of chapters on criminal law and criminal procedure
- "*À quoi reconnaît-on son juge?*", in Lettre du Syndicat des Avocats de France, Paris, April 2004
- "*L'affaire des fichiers de police*", in Lettre du Syndicat des Avocats de France, Paris, Juin 2003
- "*Le Pacs*", collection Delmas, éditions Dalloz, March 2000 : first book published in France after the adoption of the law authorizing the civil partnership
- "*Vos droits et la loi*", collective work, Reader's Digest, March 2000
- "*Vos droits en toute occasion*", collective work, Reader's Digest, February 1997

### **Seminars**

- Judge, ICC Trial Competition, 5th edition The Hague 2012
- Lecturer, "*The trial in absentia before the Special Tribunal for Lebanon*", "*The protection of the rights of the defence*", "*The definition of terrorism*" Paris, The Hague 2010 | 2012

- Participant, International Criminal Court Seminars for counsels The Hague 2008 | 2011
- Lecturer, “*L’Etat libanais, entre crise de régime et refondation*» Paris 2009
- Lecturer, “*Etat de droit et confessionnalisme politique*” Lille 2009
- Lecturer, “*Le projet de réforme électorale*” Paris 2008
- Lecturer, “*Les discriminations sexuelles en matière judiciaire. Le droit des étrangers*” Paris 2004
- Lecturer, “*L’organisation d’une défense collective*” Bordeaux 2002

## **Education**

### Paris Bar School

Certificate of specialization in criminal law Paris 2004

Admission to Bar Practice Capa Paris 1995

### Université Paris Ii Panthéon Assas

DESUP Diplôme de troisième cycle Droit et Pratique du Barreau Paris 1996

### Université Paris I Panthéon Sorbonne

Master “Carrières Judiciaires” Paris 1994

### Em Lyon Business School

Master of Business Administration Lyon 1990

### Saint Joseph University

Master of Laws, Private Law Beyrouth 1988

Master of Laws, Public Law Beyrouth 1988

## **Language skills**

Arabic and French: Native languages

English: Fluent

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