Adv. Ronnie Neubauer, Associate Deputy to the Attorney General

Legislation and Civil Law Advisor

**Professional Experience**

2022 – present Member of the Appointments Committee for the Bar Association Act

2011 – present Member of the Board of Directors and Chair of the Audit Committee – Representative of the Ministry of Justice at the Israeli Center for Legal Conservatorship

2010 – present Israel Ministry of Justice, Head of the Civil Law Cluster, Counseling and

Legislation

Consolidation of all legislative and advisory activities of the Ministry of Justice in the civil and financial fields

* Promotion of legislation: Initiating legislation and identifying central market changes. Process management: Leading work teams for formulating legislation alongside the relevant government ministries, government representatives, and ministerial committees; promoting legislation in the Knesset and advancing its implementation; creating groundbreaking solutions and promoting exceptional work relationships. \* For relevant examples see Appendix A.
* Office of the State Attorney – following and guiding the work of the Office of the State Attorney in civil cases, class actions, and Supreme Court cases.
* Areas of responsibility: Finances, digitization of government services, class actions, contracts, torts, consumer issues, and issues of religion and state.
* Representation in court and writing legal documents
* Legislative leadership and representation - *Attorney General v. Bank Leumi of Israel* (File No. 195/97, CA 6916/04)
* Advising the Attorney General regarding digitized arrangements
* Management of the civil law cluster and guidance of parallel clusters for multiple major consultative and legislative processes

* Management of committees, teams, experts, attorneys, and interns

2008 – 2010 Israel Ministry of Finance, Senior Deputy Commissioner for the Capital Market, Insurance and Savings Authority; Deputy Supervisor of Insurance

* Member of the senior management team of the Capital Market Division
* Manager of three work teams: professionals, lawyers and experts
* Supervisor of the Commissioner’s exercise of powers in accordance with the provisions of the law
* Identification, exposure, and handling of failures among financial entities in the insurance and savings market
* Writing decisions and establishing broad and binding guidelines for addressing identified deficiencies in the financial market

2001–2008 Ministry of Justice Lawyer – Department of Civil Counseling and Legislation

Providing ongoing legal advice to government ministries; initiating and guiding legislative procedures

* Representative of the Ministry of Justice on committees and work teams \* For relevant examples see Appendix B

1998 – 1999 Ministry of Justice – Intern, Department of Civil Counseling and Legislation

**Education**

1998 – 2000 **LL.M certified degree in law** with specialization in Hebrew Law, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem (cum laude)

1999 Certification as an attorney, Ministry of Justice

1995 – 1998 **LL.B graduate of the Faculty of Law,** Department of Talmud and Halakha, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

**Courses and Advanced Training**

2020 The Wexner Foundation – Senior Leaders Program

2018 Government Information and Communications Technology Authority and the Joint Distribution Committee The Digital Leaders Course, Digital Israel

2014 Department of Justice – Executive Development Course

2001 Shalom Hartman Institute in Jerusalem – Beit Midrash

**Public Activities**

2019 – present Israel Bar Association – Acting Chairman of the Public Service Lawyers Forum

2010 Establishment the “Gonanim” State-Religious school

**Other Activities**

1992 – 1994 Army service –Instructor at the Society for the Protection of Nature, Field Studies Center, Netivot

**Awards and Scholarships**

2020 Ministry of Justice – Outstanding Employee Award for team excellence during the Coronavirus pandemic

2005 Ministry of Justice – Outstanding Employee Award for the Codification project

2001 Shalom Hartman Foundation – Study scholarship

2000 The Hebrew University of Jerusalem – Giladi Memorial Prize, Institute of Hebrew Law

**Professional Publications**

Neubauer, R. “On the Character of Two Hebrew Codexes,” *Mishpatim* (*The Hebrew University Law Review*) Vol. 36 (2006–2007), 875.

**Appendix A**

**Passage of Laws**

**Fair Rent Law** – Amendment of 2017 to the Rent and Borrowing Law of 1971

**Digital Mail Services** Section in the Government Economic Plan for 2022

**Check Clearing Law of 2016 and Checks without Cover Law of 1981** –Amendments of 2021 to the (“**Transfer with a Click”**)

**Payment Services Law** of 2019

**Credit Data Law** of 2016 and its amendments

**Fair Lending Law** of 1993 – Amendments to the Regulation of Non-bank Financial Institutions of 2016

**Electronic Check Clearing Law of 2016**

**Fees for Class Actions** – Court Regulations (Fees) (Amendments) 2018

**Class Actions Law** of 2016 – Amendment No. 16 of 2015

**Consumer Protection Law of 1981** - Amendment No. 37 from 2014, regarding Recreation (Vacation) Units

**Sheltered Housing Law** of 2012 – Emergency Regulations (adaptation of legislation to provide financial services remotely), 2020

**Law for Remote Provision of Essential Services** – temporary order during the Coronavirus pandemic, 2020

**Advisor on Legislation**

Clause on Financial Information Services in the Economic Plan for 2022 **(“Open Banking”)**

**Supervision** **of** **Financial Services** (**Regulated Financial Services**) **Law**, 2016 **(“Baris Law”)**

**Reduction of Use of Cash Law** of 2018 **(“Locker Law”)**

**Increasing Competition and Reducing Concentration in the Banking Market Law of 2017** – Legislative Amendments **(“Strum Law”)**

**Banking (Service to Customer) Law** of 1981 – Amendment No. 27 in 2018 **(“Transfer with a Click”)**

**Banking (Licensing) Law** of 1981 – Amendment No. 18 of 2011 **(“Isracard Law”)**

**Law to Protect Artists’ Rights in Music**, 2017 **(“Aya Korem Law”)**

**Law for Reimbursement of Down Payments Due to Cancellation of Event** –Novel Coronavirus, 2020

**Sale (Apartments) Law (Assurance of Investments for of Purchasers of Apartments) Law** of 1974 – Amendment No. 4 **(“Heftziba Affair”)**

**Amendments to the Insurance Contract Law:**

Statute of Limitations for Accident Disability Insurance – Amendment No. 6 of 2014

Extension of the Statute of Limitations – Amendment No. 11 of 2011

**Draft legislation proposed to the Knesset**

Civil Code, 2011

Pledges Law, 2015

**Guidelines of the Attorney General**

Guidelines of the Attorney General regarding arrangement of digital records

**Participation in Statutory Committees**

Member of the National Infrastructure Committee

Member of a foundation for the management and distribution of funds allotted under the Class Actions Law

Acting Chair of the Advisory Committee to the Commissioner for Sharing Credit Data at the Bank of Israel

Representative on behalf of the Ministry of Justice in a Committee for Managing a Fund for Class Actions of the Ministry of Justice (until 2013)

**Leadership and Membership in Public and Interministerial Committees**

Chair of the Committee for Crime Victims’ Access to Civil Litigation

Co-Chair of the Class Actions Committee

Co-Chair of the Interministerial Committee to Examine Issues Regarding Insurance and Torts for Autonomous (Driverless) Vehicles

Chair of the Committee for Investigation of Money Laundering and Trusts

Initiator of the Committee for Financial Inclusion, headed by the Deputy Attorney General (Civil) and the Deputy Governor of the Bank of Israel

Member of the Committee for the Investigation of the Origins of Cultural and Artistic Works from the Time of the Holocaust (Shoah)

Member of the Committee for the Examination of the Interest and Linkage Law

Member of the Committee for Promoting the Enactment of the Supervision of Financial Services Act **(“Baris Team”)**

Member of the Committee for Examination of the Interest Rate for Personal Injury Tort Claims

Member of the Interministerial Committee to Examine the Implications of the Coronavirus Crisis on Contractual Engagements

Representative on the Committee for Increasing Competition and Reducing Concentration in Banking and Financial Services **(“Strum Committee”)**

Member of the Committee for Improvement of the Credit Data Sharing System **(“Dorfman Committee”)**

Member of the Committee for Increasing Competition in the Israeli Banking System (“**Zaken Committee**”)

Member of the Committee for Promoting Use of Advanced Means of Payment in Israel

**Reports**

Report of the Committee for the Examination of the Interest Rate for Personal Injury Tort Claims

Report of the Committee for Examining Regulation of Credit Service Providers (“Licht Staff”)

Report of the Committee for the Improvement of the Credit Data Sharing System (“Dorfman Committee”)

Recommendations of the Interministerial Team to Examine the Implications of the Coronavirus crisis on Contractual Engagements

Report of the Committee for Examining Means of Increasing Competition in the Israeli Banking System (“Zaken Committee”)

**Appendix B**

**Ministry of Justice Representative on Committees and Work Teams**

Minister of Justice Representative on the Cable and Satellite Broadcasting Council (since 2005)

Member of an Interministerial Committee to Examine the Powers of the Consumer Protection and Fair Trade Authority

Representative in the Interministerial Committee to Examine Problems of Cross-clearing of Credit Card Companies, under the authority of the Accountant General Department

Coordinator of the Committee for the Codification of Civil Law, chaired by retired President Aharon Barak