

# Tatiana Catana

## Personal information

- Family name **Catana**
- First name **Tatiana**
- Nationality(ies) Republic of Moldova and Romania
- Sex Female

## Education

- 1990–1994 ■ **Bachelor Degree in Law**  
Law Faculty of the State University “Al. I. Cuza”, Iasi, Romania
- 2006-2007 ■ **Master degree in economical law**  
State Academy of Economical Science of the Republic of Moldova

## Work experience

- October 2008 - present ■ **Defence Attorney**  
Bar Association of the Republic of Moldova. Address : 46 Bucuresti str, Chisinau, MD2012, Email: [uniunea.avocatorilor.rm@gmail.com](mailto:uniunea.avocatorilor.rm@gmail.com), telephone +373 22 226 152.
- Attorney office “Tatiana Catana, 6A, Bernardazzi street, office 6, Chisinau, MD 2028
- Offer legal assistance for clients.
  - Collaboration with International organization for migration in Moldova, Women Law Center on representing victims of trafficking in human beings, domestic violence, in courts.

## Previous professional activities

- June 2006 – present ■ **Legal Advisor**  
International Organization for Migration, Mission in Moldova .Address: 36/1, Ciuflea str. Chisinau, MD 2001, Email: [iomchisinau@iom.int](mailto:iomchisinau@iom.int), Tel: + 373 22 23 29 40;
- Legal counselling to victims of trafficking in human beings, victims of gender-based and domestic violence and victims of sexual abuse, beneficiaries of the Centre for Assistance and Protection of victims and potential victims of trafficking in human beings
  - legal representation in Courts on criminal cases and civil lawsuits
- July 2003 – March 2009 ■ **Lawyer (part-time)**  
” National Centre for Fighting Abuse against Children” Non-Governmental Organization, Adress: 61, Calea Ieşilor street, Chişinău, Moldova
- Legal assistance for children abuse cases initiated by the Centre. Legal counselling to childre subjected to abuse in family, school, on the street, other institutions
- May 2003 – June 2006 ■ **Lawyer**  
Association of Legal Career Women,  
Centre for Prevention of Trafficking in Women project, sponsored by US State Department Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs
- Offering legal assistance to victims and potential victims of trafficking

September 2001 –  
May 2003

■ **Senior Prosecutor**

Prosecutor's office of the Chisinau city, Republic of Moldova, Analysis and Inspection Section , 73, Boulevard Ștefan cel Mare și Sfint, Chișinău, [proc-mc@procuratura.md](mailto:proc-mc@procuratura.md), [+373 22 276 608](tel:+37322276608)

- Analysing and supervising of the exact execution of the children rights legislation
- prosecuting criminal cases in court.

August 1994 –  
September 2001

■ **Prosecutor**

Prosecutor's Office of the Buiucani district, Chisinau, Republic of Moldova, 96, . 31 August 1989 street, Chisinau , [proc-cbu@procuratura.md](mailto:proc-cbu@procuratura.md), [+373 22 237866](tel:+37322237866),

- Supervising enforcement of children rights legislation;
- Representing on behalf of the state the interests of social vulnerable groups and minors in courts during civil lawsuits also adoption cases;
- Presenting state indictment in courts in criminal cases with the participation of minors.

## **Other experiences**

September – December 2019

**National consultant for the Group of Experts on Action against Trafficking in Human Beings (GRETA)** in the framework of the third evaluation round of the implementation of the Council of Europe Anti-Trafficking Convention by Moldova.

- supported the GRETA experts in the process of evaluation visit, helped them to clarify the legislative aspects and other issues related to THB in Moldova ((before and after the visit),

May 2019- February 2020

**National Expert, within IOM project in coordination with National Legal Aid Council (NLAC)**

- developed the handbook on legal assistance of victims of trafficking in human beings [https://moldova.iom.int/sites/g/files/tmzbd1266/files/documents/ghidul\\_avocatului.pdf](https://moldova.iom.int/sites/g/files/tmzbd1266/files/documents/ghidul_avocatului.pdf)

October 2014 – July 2015

**National Legal Consultant, UN Women/Women Migrant Workers' Labour & Human Rights Project (WMW)**

- Review national normative framework in the area of labour, migration and trafficking in accordance with CEDAW recommendations and formulate specific amendments to align national laws and by-laws with CEDAW provisions and recommendations (specifically General Recommendation no.26);
- Provide support to Government/MLSPF in developing the matrix of divergences based on the comments and proposals with indication of relevant arguments and justification for each of the responses;
- Produce consolidated country fact sheet on situation and key policy concerns of women migrant workers in Moldova at all stages of migration;
- Produce very brief "how to guide" on formulating and implementing gender responsive and coherent migration, labour, and trafficking laws;
- Develop final report on the work carried out and submit it to UN Women along with the products developed in the framework of this assignment, including lessons learned on developing gender sensitive legislation;

November 2012-January 2013

▪ **National Expert, UN Women**

- Carry out a comprehensive compatibility study of the national normative framework on preventing and combating domestic violence and provision of The Council of Europe Convention on prevention and combating violence against women and domestic violence (CAHVIO) and CEDAW ,
- Providing recommendation on relevant legislative, policy and institutional related amendments needed to be made in compliance with the international standards;

September 2009- December 2009

▪ **Legal Consultant, UNICEF Moldova**

- Providing assistance to the Parliamentarian Commission for Social Protection, Health and Family in the process of the modification of the Law on the legal status of adoption in Moldova;
- Develop recommendations for modifying and adjusting national legal framework to the international standards

October 2008 – February 2009

▪ **National Expert, UNICEF Moldova**

- Member of the working group for the evaluation and developing the national legislation on the protection of children against violence

March 2008 – august 2008

▪ **National Expert, UN Women, Moldova**

- Carry out a comprehensive analysis of the normative framework on gender equality;
- Development of the recommendations and amendments of legislative framework on gender equality

July 2003- October 2004

▪ **National Expert, ECPAT Europe Law Enforcement Group**

- Joint east west research on trafficking in children for sexual purposes in Europe: The sending countries.

July 2003- March 2004

▪ **National Expert, IOM Mission in Republic of Moldova**

- Member of the working group for the evaluation and developing the national legislation on prevention and combating trafficking in human being, assistance and protection of victims of trafficking in human beings

**Memberships**

**Cofounder and member of the Association “Women Law Center”**, non-governmental organization, founded in 2009 .

As part of the team of Women Law center I offer legal assistance to victims of domestic violence and sexual abuse:

- Counseling during the examination of the case;
- Representation in courts and other law enforcement structures

Language skills				
Mother tongue	Romanian			
Languages:	Understanding		Speaking	Writing
	Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction/ Spoken Production	Writing skills
<b>English</b>	B2	B2	B2	B2
<b>Russian</b>	C2	C2	C1	C1

**Computer skills:** MS Windows, MS Office (MS Word, MS Power Point, MS Access, Internet Explorer).