

Aleksey Shtivelman Comments on Russian Sanctions and the Corporate Transparency Act

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Over a month into the Russian invasion of Ukraine, the West's response has left Russia in a financial mess. The United States is threatening to freeze assets in order to apply pressure to end the war. Miami partner Aleksey Shtivelman was recently quoted on *The Real Deal* discussing forfeiture procedures in the United States with respect to Russian sanctions, as well as the impact of disclosure requirements to FinCEN under the Corporate Transparency Act, on sanctions investigations by U.S. government agencies.

"To permanently deprive someone of property would really have to go through some kind of legal process and not some summary proceeding where the government says, 'We have sanctions. You own an apartment. Now it's ours.' That's how I think the public sees it," states Aleksey. "That's just not how it works. The American way is to provide people with their day in court...."

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About Aleksey Shtivelman

Aleksey Shtivelman is a partner in the Miami office of Shutts & Bowen LLP, where he is a member of the International Dispute Resolution Practice Group. Aleksey focuses his practice on counseling companies and individuals doing business across borders. He specializes in complex dispute resolution, commercial arbitration, and international litigation, including simultaneous proceedings in multiple jurisdictions, such as the United States, United Kingdom, British Virgin Islands, Ukraine and Russian Federation. Originally from Odessa, Ukraine, he is a native Russian speaker, fluent in Spanish, and adeptly represents clients who conduct business in those languages. Aleksey has been recognized as one of South Florida's "Most Effective Lawyers" by the *Daily Business Review* in the Business/Complex Litigation category and as a Rising Star by *Super Lawyers*.

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