

# Biglaw Partner Out Amid Russian Sanctions Scandal

Above the Law **is reporting** that Reed Smith partner Andrei Baev is out a year after joining the firm from Chadbourne & Parke. Baev has come under scrutiny recently for his connections to Republican donor Elliott Broidy.

Bloomberg has reported that Baev contacted Broidy, a Los Angeles-based financier currently serving as deputy finance chair for the Republican National Committee, about working together on a campaign to influence members of the Trump administration in order to alleviate U.S. sanctions against certain Russian companies.

Editor **Kathryn Rubino** writes that “Norton Rose Fulbright (which last year merged with Chadbourne) has denied that work was done to actually remove Russian companies from the U.S. sanctions list.”

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