



BABILIAN &
ASSOCIATES

البابلي للاستشارات والخدمات القانونية

Iraq Is Complex. Your Counsel Should Not Be.

IRAQ EXPERTISE

GLOBAL STANDARDS

PARTNER-LED COUNSEL



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ABOUT
BABILIAN & ASSOCIATES

Sector-Focused Legal Counsel for Iraq

We turn Iraq's legal complexity into your commercial advantage.

Babilian & Associates is a Baghdad-based, partner-led law firm advising corporations, investors, financial institutions, and public sector entities across Iraq and the MENA region.

We advise on complex corporate, finance, energy, and regulatory matters, combining deep Iraqi expertise with globally benchmarked standards to deliver counsel that is both legally precise and commercially grounded.

Our work is defined by direct partner oversight on every mandate, structured execution, and a genuine understanding of Iraq's regulatory and commercial environment. This gives our clients the clarity and confidence to make decisions and move forward.

Babilian & Associates serves as Iraq's specialist counsel within a growing network of correspondent firm relationships across the Gulf, Levant, and North Africa.

OUR APPROACH

From Legal Insight to Commercial Advantage

Effective legal counsel in Iraq requires more than technical knowledge. It requires structured thinking, senior judgment, and the discipline to convert complex legal and regulatory analysis into decisions that can actually be implemented.

Our approach is built around five stages of delivery:



**The result for our clients:
faster decisions, reduced
regulatory friction, and clear
commercial outcomes.**

THE BABILIAN & ASSOCIATES DIFFERENCE

Why International Clients Choose Us

Multinational corporations, investors, and financial institutions operating in Iraq face a consistent challenge: finding legal counsel that combines genuine local expertise with the standards and accountability they expect from their global advisors.

Babilian & Associates was built to meet exactly that need.



Iraq Expertise

Deep knowledge across Iraq's ministries, regulators, courts, and commercial stakeholders, built through years of on-the-ground engagement.



Global Standards

Internationally benchmarked frameworks ensuring precise, reliable, and consistently delivered execution on every mandate.



Partner-Led Counsel

Senior partners provide direct oversight and personal accountability on every matter, with no handoff to junior teams.

What This Means for Our Clients:

Every engagement is handled with the commercial judgment, legal precision, and operational discipline required to protect value and produce results in one of the world's most complex legal environments.

MESSAGE FROM
THE FOUNDER & MANAGING PARTNER

Direct Partner Accountability. Every Mandate. Every Time.

**No delegation without judgment.
No compromise on responsibility.**

Iraq is not a market where generalist legal advice succeeds. It demands counsel with genuine local knowledge, regulatory relationships built over years of on-the-ground engagement, and the discipline to convert complex legal analysis into decisions that can actually be implemented.



That is what Babilian & Associates was built to deliver. Every mandate we accept receives direct partner oversight and personal accountability, with senior-level involvement maintained throughout each stage of the engagement. Our clients engage with senior partners who understand their commercial objectives, anticipate regulatory exposure, and remain accountable for outcomes from instruction to completion.

We have built this firm around a single conviction: international clients operating in Iraq deserve the same standard of counsel they receive from their advisors anywhere else in the world, delivered by people who understand Iraq from the inside.

We welcome the opportunity to support your objectives in Iraq.

Yasir Al-Humairi

Founder & Managing Partner | Babilian & Associates

PRACTICE AREAS:
TRANSACTIONAL & ADVISORY

Structured Legal Counsel for Iraq's Most Complex Transactions

Our transactional and advisory practice groups deliver implementation ready counsel across Iraq's most demanding commercial and regulatory environments. Combining deep local expertise with internationally benchmarked execution standards under direct partner oversight.



Corporate & Commercial Law

M&A, joint ventures, company formation, corporate governance, and compliance under Iraqi Company & Investment Law.



Banking & Finance Law

Secured finance, project lending, syndicated facilities, and Central Bank of Iraq regulatory compliance.



Projects, Energy & Infrastructure Law

Energy projects including PSAs, PPPs, major construction contracts, project structuring, and regulatory approvals across Iraq's energy & infrastructure sectors.



Regulatory Compliance & Investigations

Compliance framework design, internal investigations, regulatory strategy, and proactive engagement with Iraqi regulatory authorities.



Tax Advisory

Tax planning, structuring, compliance, and dispute representation before Iraqi tax authorities.

PRACTICE AREAS:
CONTENTIOUS & SECTORAL

Safeguarding Value and Resolving Complexity

When disputes arise, contracts are challenged, or regulatory exposure threatens commercial continuity, our contentious and sectoral practice groups provide the legal depth, procedural discipline, and senior judgment required to protect our clients' interests in Iraqi courts, international arbitration forums, and across specialized regulatory environments.



Construction, EPC & Engineering Law

FIDIC and EPC contract advisory, claims preparation and defense, project risk mitigation, and construction dispute resolution.



Dispute Resolution & International Arbitration

Representation in Iraqi litigation and international arbitration proceedings, including ICC, LCIA, and ICSID forums.



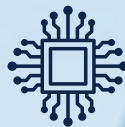
Real Estate & Property Law

Property acquisition, development structuring, title due diligence, and land registration strategy across Iraqi jurisdictions.



Employment & Immigration Law

Iraqi labour law compliance, workforce structuring, and end-to-end corporate immigration support for multinational workforces.



Technology Data Protection & IP Law

Digital regulation, telecom licensing, cybersecurity compliance, data protection frameworks, and intellectual property protection in Iraq.



Public International Law

Treaties, sovereign agreements, state-related commercial matters, and government-to-government arrangements.

INDUSTRIES WE ADVISE:
CORE & REGULATED SECTORS

Partner-Led Counsel for Iraq's Most Strategic Industries

Iraq's core industries operate within complex, evolving regulatory frameworks that demand legal counsel with genuine sector depth. Not generalist advice adapted to fit.

Our sector-focused teams bring direct industry knowledge, regulatory relationships, and transactional experience to every mandate, delivering counsel that is commercially grounded and implementation-ready.



Energy & Natural Resources

Advising on oil, gas, power generation, renewables, and energy transition projects across Iraq's upstream, midstream & downstream sectors: PSA structuring, regulatory approvals & government negotiations.



Banking, Finance & Capital Markets

Counsel to banks, lenders, investors, and financial institutions on regulatory compliance, secured lending, project finance, and capital markets activity in Iraq's evolving financial sector.



Real Estate, Construction & Infrastructure

Legal support for developers, EPC contractors, infrastructure sponsors & PPP participants on project structuring, contract negotiation, approvals & dispute resolution.



Telecom, Media & Technology (TMT)

Advising telecom operators, digital platforms & data-driven businesses on licensing, regulatory compliance, data protection & commercial agreements in Iraq's growing digital economy.



Government & Public Sector

Counsel to ministries, state-owned enterprises & national project sponsors on procurement, contract structuring, regulatory frameworks & public-private arrangements.

INDUSTRIES WE ADVISE GROWTH & COMMERCIAL SECTORS

Supporting Iraq's Economic Diversification and Growth

Beyond Iraq's core regulated industries, a new wave of commercial activity is reshaping the country's economic landscape.

Investors, developers, and multinational brands are entering sectors that were previously underleveraged, and they require legal counsel that understands both the opportunity and the regulatory complexity that comes with it.



Trade, Logistics & Transportation

Advising on customs frameworks, port operations, aviation regulation, logistics structuring, and supply chain agreements as Iraq develops its position as a regional trade corridor.



Healthcare & Life Sciences

Legal support for hospital developers, pharmaceutical companies, medical device manufacturers, and healthcare investors navigating Iraq's evolving health sector regulatory environment.



Education

Counsel to international schools, universities, and academic investors on licensing, establishment frameworks, investment structuring, and regulatory compliance in Iraq's growing education sector.



Hospitality, Leisure & Tourism

Advising hotels, entertainment developers, and destination project sponsors on investment structuring, licensing, construction contracts, and operational agreements as Iraq's tourism sector emerges.



Retail & Consumer

Legal support for international brands, franchise operators, distributors, and consumer market investors entering or expanding within Iraq's fast-growing retail and consumer economy.

Legal Leadership

Partner-Led. Sector-Focused.

Direct partner oversight on every mandate, with hands-on involvement in structuring, execution, and regulatory coordination. The firm delivers practical, implementation-driven legal advice through a sector-focused team across complex corporate, regulatory, and cross-border matters in Iraq.

Yasir Al-Humairi

Founder & Managing Partner

Yasir Al-Humairi leads the firm's corporate practice, advising multinational corporations and international investors on company formation, restructuring, tax compliance, contract drafting and review, and trademark registration in Iraq, with direct engagement with the Ministry of Trade, the Registrar of Companies, and Iraq's principal tax and social security authorities.



Saman Zrari

Partner & Head of Erbil Office

Saman Zrari is a Partner at Babilian & Associates and Head of the firm's Erbil Office, with over 15 years of experience advising on corporate and commercial matters, projects and infrastructure, banking and finance, and dispute resolution in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq. His practice also covers energy and oil and gas, regulatory compliance, and civil, criminal, and administrative disputes.



Legal Leadership

Ayoob Hameed

Senior Associate

Ayoob Hameed brings over ten years of court practice to the firm's contentious work, with depth in commercial litigation, employment disputes, and civil matters before Baghdad's courts of first instance, courts of appeal, and labour courts. He also advises on contract drafting and review, supporting clients in structuring agreements that are enforceable and aligned with Iraqi law.



Ali Al-Musawi

Senior Associate

Ali Al-Musawi advises on corporate and commercial matters in Iraq with a focus on cross-border transactions and foreign company operations, working within the firm's corporate practice to support structuring, compliance, and market entry mandates. He serves as the firm's primary contact for Chinese clients with trilingual capability in Arabic, Chinese, and English.



Jaafar Al-Shammari

Senior Associate

Jaafar Al-Shammari specialises in civil, commercial, and banking disputes before Iraqi courts and arbitral tribunals, managing more than 200 active proceedings, including commercial disputes exceeding USD 100 million in aggregate value. He also advises on regulatory compliance and licensing across the technology, financial services, and media sectors.



Operational Leadership

Hassan Hamdan

Chief Operating Officer

Hassan Hamdan oversees the firm's operations, administrative infrastructure, and institutional standards, bringing over 24 years of international experience across Canada, Europe, and the Middle East in business development, strategic leadership, and project delivery.



Legal Team

A dedicated team of associates supporting the firm's mandates across corporate, commercial, litigation, and regulatory matters, with active involvement in company formation, court proceedings, and ongoing compliance before Iraqi governmental authorities. Each associate works under direct partner supervision, contributing to client matters from instruction through completion, with the depth of knowledge required to navigate Iraq's legal and regulatory environment with precision.

Mustafa Merzah

Associate

Mustafa Merzah practises across commercial, employment, civil, and administrative matters before Iraqi courts and tribunals, with additional work covering company formation procedures and contract drafting and review across contentious and corporate matters.



Hayder Al-Alwani

Associate

Hayder Al-Alwani advises on company formation, corporate governance, and regulatory compliance in Iraq, working directly with the Registrar of Companies and relevant governmental authorities on the licensing and structuring of local and foreign entities.



Legal Team

Samyan Musher

Associate — Erbil Office

Samyan Musher is an Associate at Babilian & Associates, based in the firm's Erbil Office, focusing on litigation and court proceedings in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq. His practice covers civil, commercial, and other contentious matters, including pleadings, case files, legal submissions, and follow-up before the relevant courts and authorities.



Ahmad Zrari

Associate — Erbil Office

Ahmad Zrari is an Associate at Babilian & Associates, based in the firm's Erbil Office, focusing on tax, pension and social security, and company registration matters in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq. He assists local and foreign companies with regulatory obligations, tax procedures, and filings before the Registrar of Companies, supporting compliance throughout their operations.



Mohammed Muneer

Trainee Lawyer

Mohammed Muneer works across corporate and commercial law, tax advisory, and employment matters in Iraq, supporting company incorporation, regulatory compliance, trademark registration, and tax and social security administration before the relevant Iraqi authorities.



Tabarek Radeef

Trainee Lawyer

Tabarek Radeef supports the firm's corporate, commercial, dispute resolution, and cross-border matters, with experience in legal research, drafting, legal translation, and court submissions. She assists on domestic and international matters, with a focus on bilingual legal documentation and dispute-related work.



CONTACT & NEXT STEPS

Your Next Step in Iraq Starts Here

Iraq's legal and commercial landscape rewards those who move with the right counsel behind them. We are ready to support your objectives, from initial regulatory assessment to full transaction execution, with direct partner oversight and the depth of expertise your mandate requires.

Begin the Conversation

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precision and accountability international
clients expect.**

CONTACT & NEXT STEPS

Babilian & Associates headquartered in Baghdad

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Basra - Southern Iraq

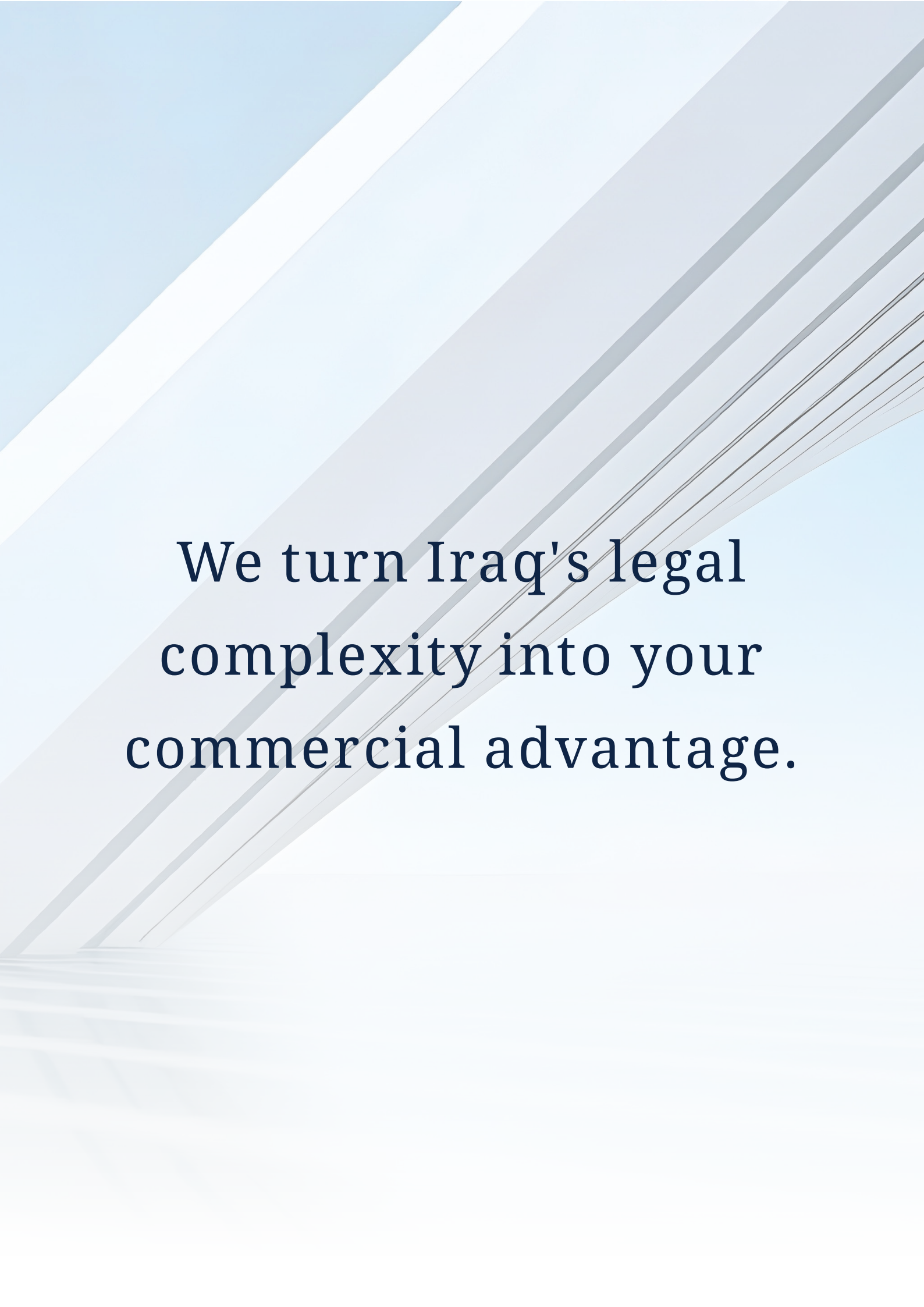


International Partner Firms

Through established relationships with leading law firms across key jurisdictions, Babilian & Associates provides coordinated legal coverage for clients across the Gulf and beyond.

USA | United Kingdom | Saudi Arabia | Oman

United Arab Emirates | Kuwait | Qatar | Bahrain | Egypt



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