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Practices: Corporate Services, Commercial Transactions and M&A, Family Law and Private Clients

BIOGRAPHY

Weerawat Distapinyo helps clients enter and excel in the Thailand market. An attorney-at-law with extensive experience in business start-ups, Weerawat collaborates with the Board of Investment (BOI) and the Industrial Estate Authority of Thailand (IEAT) to obtain promotional privileges and approval to commence industrial activities. Weerawat also helps clients secure factory licenses, machinery registration, licenses related to hazardous substances, school licenses, and other required government approvals. In connection with these corporate services, Weerawat also resolves issues related to the import and export of goods.

In addition to his corporate practice, Weerawat assists with the establishment of nonprofit entities, including trade associations, Thai foundations, and foreign NGOs. He also represents select individuals in Thai adoptions and nationality procedures.

Weerawat is a member of the Lawyers Council of Thailand and the Thai Bar Association.

EXPERIENCE

- Secured BOI promotional privileges for a leading global distributor to commence operations in Thailand.
- Advised a client on the applicable laws and procedures for importing fresh fruit into the Kingdom.
- Liaised with Thai Customs, on behalf of our client, to resolve a charge of a false declaration related to the import of a hazardous substance. We also advised our client on the applicable import laws.
- Advised a client on the current and proposed laws on surrogacy; our guidance also included information on the current state of and societal considerations pertaining to surrogacy in Thailand.
- Registered and documented the replacement of the board of directors of a foundation.
- Represented an international steel producer in combating unfairly priced imports from certain other countries. We assisted in petitioning for an investigation, so as to ultimately assess antidumping duties. If approved, the measures will result in increased profitability.
- Represented a multinational corporation in preparing appeal documentation to be submitted to the Thai Customs Department concerning customs tariff codes and rates declared for various types of imported chemical products.

EDUCATION

LLB, Thammasat University

LANGUAGES

Thai, English