

Representative Legal Matters

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- Advise and assist a global software company on matters involving possible conflict-of-interest issues in government transactions
- Advise and assist a ride-sharing company in settlement negotiations with artists affiliated with a major media and broadcasting company in relation to alleged unauthorized use of artists' images. Successfully negotiated a settlement with one of the artists, who is a famous celebrity in the Philippines.
- Assist and represent an American multinational engineering firm's employees in a criminal case filed by the National Bureau of Investigation and the Philippine Coast Guard for alleged illegal reclamation activities at Manila's main port.
- Assist one of the world's premier biopharmaceutical companies in compliance and litigation-related issues in relation to a government's national healthcare program.
- Represent a Canadian multinational insurance company and financial services provider in an administrative enforcement case filed by the Philippine Competition Commission for alleged violation of the provisions of the Philippine Competition Act on vertical anti-competitive restraints. This is the first administrative enforcement case filed by the Philippine Competition Commission relating to anti-competitive agreements.
- Assist the Philippine subsidiary of one of the world's leading suppliers of cement and aggregates in a commercial arbitration under the Rules of the PDRCI. The case involves the termination of a Port Services Agreement by the client. The value of the dispute is around PhP1.8 Billion.
- Advise and represent a global technology company in connection with a criminal complaint for cyber libel in relation to a video posted on a social media platform. The complaint alleged that the video was libelous because it branded the complainant as being connected to a criminal syndicate in the Philippines. The criminal complaint has been initially dismissed by the prosecutor, and is currently pending appeal.
- Assist an American chemical conglomerate in international commercial arbitration involving a non-solicitation clause in a contract with its local client, which is a subsidiary of a large conglomerate in the Philippines.
- Assist and represent a government agency in injunction proceedings and a potential arbitration its contractor for its new flagship museum in Manila.
- Provide legal services in relation to assisting a software and technology services company in defending against a petition for interim measures of protection for preservation of evidence in relation to Arbitration.

- Defend a Spanish consumer goods and retail company operating in the fashion and fragrance sectors in a civil case for enforcement of contract, damages for illegal termination of the contract, with application for preliminary injunction.
- Assist a subsidiary of a global drinks manufacturer in the Philippines on matters involving potential improper payments made by the client's agents/representatives to Philippine government agencies and officials.
- Represent a multinational distributor of food and health supplements in a criminal case against a former officer involving misappropriated company assets.
- Assist and advise a major downstream oil and gas company in a potential arbitration against two of its contractors, in relation to the construction of its new fuel import facility in the southern part of the Philippines.
- Assist a Philippine pharmaceutical company on matters relating to disputes arising from a Share Swap Agreement (SSA) between two Philippine pharmaceutical companies and their respective parent companies. The value of the SSA was more than PhP 500 million.
- Defend a multinational and engineering company in a claim for ejectment and helped the client prosecute an action for specific performance and damages in connection with the title and possession to real properties it was using in one of Manila's top business districts.
- Represent an American global logistics company in a Supreme Court case that can potentially prevent the company from operating in the Philippines.
- Act for a Fortune 500 diversified company in connection with litigation and other dispute resolution matters in the Philippines.
- Represent a French multinational pharmaceutical company in three administrative proceedings before the Philippine Food and Drug Administration (FDA), all of which target one of the client's key products.