# Baker McKenzie.

## **Representative Legal Matters**

### Wasin Leotwalaipong

#### Arbitration

- Represented a foreign government in a USD 32 million arbitration related to the termination of lease contracts of local lessors.
- Represented a manufacturing company in a USD 20 million damage claim against an Austrian company for breaches of joint venture and shareholder agreements.
- Represented a leading telecommunications company in defending arbitration claims lodged by state enterprise companies concerning revenue sharing and obligations under concession agreement.
- Represented a Japanese automobile manufacturer in an ICC arbitration claim relating to breach of an asset purchase agreement and related component supply and distribution agreements.
- Represented an international construction material manufacturer in defending claims and pursuing counterclaims in a USD 25 million SIAC arbitration concerning disputes arising in relation to a merger and acquisition agreement.

#### Tax

- Represented an automotive manufacturing company in the Tax Court and successfully defended the Custom Department's USD 33 million assessment in relation to the applications of import duty privileges under international agreements among ASEAN countries.
- Represented a leading automotive engine manufacturer in challenging the Custom Department's assessments on the import duties imposed on engine parts and its interpretation and application of the Harmonized System (HS) Code.
- Represented a group of infrastructure companies in defending a USD 39 million corporate income tax assessments by the Revenue Department with respect to a Double Tax Treaty between Thailand and a foreign country as well as the value added tax assessments in relation to the infrastructure project in question.
- Defended a joint venture company in a USD 72 million claim made by the Revenue Department over the construction of a pipeline system in the Bangkok area.
- Represented a leading telecommunications company in disputes related to value added tax and excise tax assessments.



#### Environment

- Represented a number of major petrochemical companies in a dispute regarding billion-dollar projects in Rayong Province. The dispute involved successfully defending the companies against injunctions filed by NGOs seeking suspension of major petrochemical projects in the region.
- Represented a group of Japanese investors in disputes regarding the construction of power plants in Saraburi Province, where NGOs lodged complaints in the Administrative Court to revoke permission for the plants' construction.
- Represented a company located in the Hemmaraj Industrial Estate in a dispute filed by NGOs, requesting revocation of the permission granted to pursue petrochemical projects.

#### Telecommunications

• Represented one of Thailand's biggest telecommunications companies in complex disputes in Administrative Court, Civil Court, and arbitration. The disputes involved interconnection charges and breaches thereof, regulations on frequency allocation, mobile number portability, prepaid mobile service, claims for access charges, regulations and administrative orders relating to service charges between on-net and off-net tariffs.

#### International trade

- Defended a major sugar manufacturing conglomerate in a USD 10 million claim made by a shipping company for expenses incurred during the embargo of a shipment.
- Represented an asset management company in a USD 200 million claim made by a global financial institution as a result of complex credit facilities agreements.
- Represented a number of clients in disputes arising from loan guarantee agreements, letters of credit, and trust receipts.

#### **Construction and real estate**

- Represented an international real estate management and investment company in disputes over a large plot of land located in Samutprakarn Province.
- Defended a construction company in a USD 3 million claim lodged by a sub-contractor in relation to the construction of Suvarnabhumi Airport. The work also included a USD 10 million counterclaim made against the sub-contractor.
- Represented multiple real estate companies in claims regarding the effects of construction on nearby properties.
- Defended an architecture firm from claims made by a contractor relating to shop drawing, specifications, and completion of plans.



• Advised a number of investors on regulations related to architecture, town planning, and building control.

#### Miscellaneous

- Represented a number of companies in disputes arising from the issuance of regulations prohibiting alcohol advertisements featuring state agencies.
- Represented a client in an extradition process and coordinating with the Attorney General of Thailand with respect to the extradition trial.
- Advised foreign clients in criminal cases.