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## OUR FIRM AND PRACTICES

LawPlus provides top quality legal services to leading international and local corporate clients. The objective of the Firm is to provide clients with accurate and pragmatic legal advice in a timely manner, while adding value to the client's business activities at a reasonable cost.

Our clients include multinational financial institutions, global investment funds, regional and international telecommunications companies, leading manufacturers and service providers in the automobile industry, US and European food and drug companies, top tier computer hardware and software manufacturers, international film and music production companies, department stores, real property developers, engineering consultant and construction companies. We work very closely with trademark and patent agents worldwide on registering and protecting trademarks, patents and copyrights for our Thai and foreign clients.

Our specialized practice areas include banking and finance, corporate and commercial, mergers and acquisitions, intellectual property, securities, IT, Telecommunications Media and Technology, joint venture, employment, foreign direct investment, real property, debt restructuring, insolvency and dispute resolution. With our in-depth knowledge of the Thai economy our clients' industries, and our understanding of local practices, we strive to make our advice practical and valuable to the client.

## ACCOLADES

- ***"Recommended practice areas: corporate and M&A and intellectual property."*** The Legal 500 Asia Pacific, 2020 and 2021.
- ***"Copyright: Tier 2."*** Copyright Survey 2021, Asia IP.
- ***"Leading IP firm in Thailand for its expertise in Patent."*** Iam Patent 1000, 2021.
- ***"LawPlus operates a bustling patent practice chiefly focused on processing Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) applications in Thailand ... on an upward trajectory, not least thanks to the detail-oriented nature of its modus operandi, but also managing director Kowit Somwaiya's ever-expansive engagement with the international IP community."*** Iam Patent 1000, 2020

- ***“Supported by four full-time trademark lawyers in Thailand, LawPlus is popular among foreign brand owners, especially Taiwanese and South Korean businesses, seeking local protection for their trademark rights. The full-service practice also handles large trademark portfolios for Thai corporations in more than 160 countries and represents local e-commerce companies in trademark and domain name disputes. It has been particularly busy in online anti-counterfeiting matters of late.”*** WTR1000, 2020
- ***“Quickly becoming an extremely astute choice for foreign companies with Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) needs in Thailand and Myanmar. Word of the firm’s straightforward, detail-oriented service is spreading to clients in China, Europe, the United States and other Asian countries.”*** Iam Patent 1000, 2019.
- ***“Top 10 law firms of Thailand for Copyright.”*** Copyright Survey 2019, Asia IP.
- ***“LawPlus takes a rigorously commercial approach to the practice of law.”*** WTR1000, 2018.
- ***“LawPlus Ltd. handles a huge variety of corporate transactions and commercial contracts for Thai corporate and well know multinationals.”*** The Legal 500 Asia Pacific, 2018.
- ***“Shortlisted [amongst 5 law firms of Thailand] for the Trademark Firm of the Year 2018.”*** Asia IP 2018.
- ***“Shortlisted [amongst 5 law firms of Thailand] for the Patent Firm of the Year 2017.”*** Asia IP 2017.
- ***“An IP Star by the World IP Survey 2017.”*** Managing Intellectual Property IP Stars 2017.
- ***“LawPlus Ltd. handles all aspects of financial services regulatory matters, bank lending and project finance, disputes concerning commercial, property and employment matters, IT and telecoms matters for Thai and foreign companies, including contentious issues. Kowit Somwaiya is recommended.”*** The Legal 500 Asia Pacific, 2015.
- ***“Last year saw LawPlus emerge victorious in a number of trademark disputes and open a Myanmar office to boot. Excellent advocate Kowit Somwaiya is one of the two partners.”*** WTR 1000, 2015.
- ***“Highly recommended practice areas: banking & finance, corporate/M&A, intellectual property.”*** Asialaw Profiles, 2015.
- ***“Director of the Intellectual Property Association of Thailand Kowit Somwaiya boasts deep and specialised knowledge of IP law and handles prosecution and transactional matters with keen commercial insight.”*** iam 1000 The World’s Leading Patent Professionals, 2015.
- ***“LawPlus Ltd. has significant experience advising foreign companies on trade mark registrations, patent applications, domain names and customs matters (...).”*** ***“Strong record in banking and finance matters.”*** ***“The Highly regarded Kowit Somwaiya heads the team.”*** The Legal 500 Asia Pacific, 2014.
- ***“Receives accolades for advising international lenders and companies in a number of transactions.”*** IFRL1000, 2014.
- ***“Intellectual property is a central pillar at this admired firm, which continues to make significant strides on the Thai trademark scene. It is a favourite among pan-continental heavyweights, including US, UK and Japanese market leaders.”*** WTR 1000, 2014.
- ***“The dynamic, proactive and astute, LawPlus Ltd. is cementing its reputation as a high-quality provider of trademark services.”*** WTR 1000, 2013.

- *“LawPlus has been particularly noted for its expertise in corporate and M&A, construction and real estate, dispute resolution, intellectual property and restructuring and insolvency.”* Asialaw Profiles, 2013.
- *“Known for its outstanding trademark work, LawPlus has also grown its patent prosecution practice by handling key PCT national phase applications for multinationals.”* The Managing Intellectual Property IP Handbook, 2012.
- *“Knowledgeable, keen and top-class.”* The Legal 500 Asia Pacific, 2011.
- *“Best five IP law firms of Thailand for trademarks.”* Asia IP Award Survey, November 2011.
- *“LawPlus Ltd.’s IP practice continues to grow and in 2008 the firm represented Thai companies on trade mark and copyright prosecution and enforcement in over 160 countries.”* The Legal 500 Asia Pacific, 2010.
- *“2007 Top Five IP Law Firms of Thailand.”* Asialaw Magazine, November 2007.

### **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

- Thai Bar Association
- Council of Lawyers of Thailand
- Intellectual Property Association of Thailand (IPAT)
- ASEAN Intellectual Property Association (AIPA)
- Asian Patent Attorneys Association (APAA)
- International Trademark Association (INTA)
- International Bar Association (IBA)
- Licensing Executives Society (LES)

### **OUR CREDENTIALS**

We have advised clients on a large number of transactions. These include:-

### **BANKING AND DEBT RESTRUCTURING**

- a **German bank** on US\$52 million revolving credit facilities to a Thai factoring company;
- a **German bank** on claiming for THB210 million and THB180 million in bankruptcy cases against two Thai finance companies;
- a **leading US bank** on a THB910 million term loan to an independent power plant company;
- a **US bank** on client money regulations and time deposit transactions;
- a **US investment fund** on the acquisition of a global note of a Thai petrochemical company from a US investment bank, the claims for debt repayments in the liquidation of a finance company and the reorganization of a Thai transportation company;
- a **Canadian bank** on gold loans, gold bullion transactions and platinum leases with Thai companies;
- a **Canadian bank** on US\$15 million revolving credit facilities to a computer part manufacturing company and on the assignment of accounts receivable as collateral for the loan;
- a **Canadian bank** on corporate guarantees for a US\$750 million revolving credit to a group of Canadian companies;

- a **Japanese bank** on a JPY1,500 million participation in a JPY8,100 million syndicated loan to an independent power plant in Thailand;
- an **Islamic bank in Malaysia** on US\$15 million Shariah financing for investment in a Thai sea food production company;
- a **subsidiary of a UK bank in Taiwan** on claim for THB39.40 million in business reorganization of a Thai company;
- a **steel mill services company** on claims in business reorganizations of two Thai public companies;
- a leading **Thai bank** on client assets segregation and agreement with a foreign bank in relation to securities settlement systems.
- A **BVI company** on an initial coin offering (ICO) of digital tokens.
- A **Singaporean company** on the legal requirements and procedures for application for a digital asset license and an ICO in Thailand.
- an **investment fund in Ireland** on distribution and sale of investment units to investors in Thailand.
- a **foreign securities association** on the offering of financial services to investors in Thailand by its members.

#### **CORPORATE, COMMERCIAL AND FDI**

- a **leading US glass manufacturer** on the implementation of a shared service center for its Thai subsidiaries;
- a **US steel mill services company** on obtaining two BOI promotions for steel mill service projects;
- a **large US fast food restaurant company** on opening a branch in Thailand and a franchise agreement;
- a **multi-national audio system company** on obtaining a foreign business license and a factory lease;
- an **Italian carpet yarn manufacturing company** on land purchasing, establishing a plant for manufacturing automobile carpet and obtaining a BOI promotion;
- a **Hong Kong yacht sale and charter company** on obtaining a foreign business license;
- a **Hong Kong construction companies** on sale of investments in an infrastructure project in Thailand;
- a **US steel mill services company** on sales of shares in an Indian joint venture company and an investment project in Vietnam;
- a **US automobile support services company** on establishing a joint venture with Thai investors;
- a **German clinical nutrition and infusion therapy company** on labour law issues;
- a **British food and beverages company** on manufacturing agreements, co-packer agreements, distribution agreements, sale and purchase agreements and other commercial contracts;
- a **Thai pharmaceutical company** on confidentiality agreements, manufacturing agreements, co-packer agreements and supplier agreements;
- a **leading Thai conglomerate** on transfers of shares in two Indonesian joint ventures;
- a **Thai company** on purchases of urea fertilizer with a value of US\$250 million from companies in Malaysia and China;
- a **Thai agricultural industry company** on a THB500 million joint venture with a food company from China.

#### **MERGERS & ACQUISITIONS**

- a **British food company** on acquisition of a food consultant company and obtaining a foreign business license;

- a **British logistics company** on acquisition of two Thai logistics companies;
- a **top British food and beverage company** on acquisition of two food production companies and restructuring of Thai subsidiaries and repatriation of funds;
- a **Japanese logistics company** on acquisition of a Thai logistics and transportation company;
- a **Japanese PCB company** on acquisition of a Thai company with two computer part manufacturing plants;
- a **Japanese construction company** on legal due diligence for acquisition of a Thai company;
- an **Indian fertilizer company** on legal due diligence for acquisition of a potash mining company;
- a **German automobile part manufacturer** on acquisition a Thai-US joint venture and liquidation of a Thai company;
- a **Malaysian company** on acquisition of shares in a Thai company and investment on a mining project in the South of Thailand;
- a **Malaysian information technology company** on a legal due diligence for acquisition of a Thai telecommunications and consulting service company;
- a **Malaysian petroleum company** on acquisition of a Thai company;
- a **Malaysian ceramic company** on legal due diligence for acquisition of a BOI-promoted Thai company in the South of Thailand;
- a **Malaysian energy company** on compliance legal due diligence on its subsidiary in Thailand;
- a **Malaysian automobile parts company** on acquisition of assets and employees of a subsidiary of Japanese company in Thailand by a new joint venture company established in Thailand;
- a **Korean steel mill company** on legal due diligence on a Thai steel sheet and coil processing company;
- a **Thai company** on acquisition of a bakery company from its Singapore parent company;
- a **Singaporean law firm** on legal due diligence on subsidiaries of cosmetic care group of companies in Thailand for acquisition of the group of companies by its client.

## INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

- a **leading Thai consumer product company** on registration of trademarks and copyright deposits in over 160 countries and on trademark infringements and disputes with beverage companies in the US, Latin America, the UK, the EU, China, Japan and ASEAN countries;
- two **Thai department stores** on registration of trademarks in ASEAN countries and trademark recovery in Indonesia, Myanmar and Vietnam;
- a **Thai manufacturing company** on trademark registrations and copyright infringement;
- a **US Big Three automobile company** on patent applications for automobile inventions and product designs;
- a **US film studio** on a patent application for film restoration invention;
- a **US life science company** on patent applications for genetic modifications and procedures;
- a **US company** on recovery of a secondary level domain name;
- a **Japanese electric appliances company** on trademark registration and recordal of name change in Thailand;
- a **Japanese technology company** on trademark registrations;
- a **British food and beverages company** on customs action against cross-border trademark infringement;
- a **French company** on cancellation petition for non-use with the Trademark Board and a passing-off lawsuit in the IP&IT Court against a Thai infringer;

- a **leading global provider of ICT infrastructures and smart devices** on analysis of risks from use of trademarks;
- a **Thai pioneering water and housing products** on a trademark infringement case;
- a **Japanese food & beverages company** on trademark assignments.

## **LITIGATION AND ADR**

- a creditor on THB5.4 billion business reorganization of a **Thai company**;
- the liquidator of a **Hong Kong company** on recovering US\$30 million from a bank;
- a **German bank** on claims for payments of THB390 million debts in bankruptcy of two finance companies;
- a **German company** on two labour lawsuits at the Central Labour Court;
- a **group of Thai companies** on trademark lawsuits in the US, the UK, France, Spain, Germany and the European Court of Justice;
- a **French company** on cancellation petitions against trademark registrations for non-use with the Trademark Board and a passing-off lawsuit in the IP&IT Court against a Thai infringer;
- a **UK company** on border control measures with the Customs Department for protection of a trademark;
- a **Thai company** on a THB12 million copyright claim;
- a **Thai company** on a lawsuit related to THB85 million investment in Indonesia;
- a **subsidiary of a UK food manufacturer** on a product liability lawsuit in the Civil Court;
- a **US automobile financing company** on a lawsuit against a distribution company to recover debts;
- a **UK pharmaceutical company** on tax and employment law issues;
- a **US petroleum company** on labour law disputes with the labour union and labour lawsuits;
- a **Malaysian engineering company** on arbitration of a small power plant project dispute;
- a **Korean petroleum company** on recovery of US\$12 million debt from a Thai Petroleum company;
- a **Korean company** on a sponsorship agreement dispute with a Thai football association;
- a **Hong Kong company** on a dispute under a sport event sponsorship agreement with a Thai company;
- a **group of Taiwanese chemical companies** on lawsuits against four Thai companies for payments of US\$1.64 million;
- a **group of foreign investors** on recovery of THB46 million from a real property developer;
- a **UK association** on infringement of their collective marks and geographical indications;
- a **Danish company** on an undue enrichment claim of THB6 million against a Thai company.

## **REAL PROPERTY, CONSTRUCTION AND INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT**

- a **US bank** on the termination of a thirty-year property lease with a Thai company;
- a **group of two Thai companies** on development, sales and management of two high-end villa projects in Phuket;
- a **Thai construction company** on construction contracts with the National Housing Authority of Thailand for constructing government-sponsored housing projects;
- a **group of seven foreign investors** on investment in a large-scale property development project in Hua Hin;
- two **BVI companies** on purchasing two condominium apartments in Phuket;



- a **Japanese company** on long-term leases of real properties for its retail sales subsidiaries in Bangkok and Nonthaburi;
- a **Korean company** on sale of lands in an industrial estate in Chachoengsao;
- a **Malaysian hotel group** on acquisition of properties and a land long-term lease in Phuket;
- a **British client** on purchase of a condominium unit in Bangkok;
- a **Hong Kong client** on a 28-year lease of a high-end residential unit in Bangkok;
- a **British food and beverages company** on acquisition of land for manufacturing plant expansion in Samutprakarn;
- a **Malaysian leading equipment manufacturer company** on purchase of land and factory in Ayutthaya;
- a **Singaporean property development company** on acquiring majority shares in a BOI promoted marina project in Phuket;
- a **Malaysian engineering consultant company** on a dispute under a FIDIC agreement with a power plant company with a small power plant in Ayutthaya;
- a **Thai company** on a supply contract with a telecom company for supplying and installation of telecommunications equipment;
- a **German company** on a sales and installation contract with a listed construction company for supplying railroad construction materials and equipment.

#### **TELECOMMUNICATIONS, MEDIA AND DATA PROTECTION**

- a **Hong Kong headquartered customer loyalty program** on the applicability of BOT (Bank of Thailand) and SET (Securities Exchange of Thailand) regulations on E-payments, Payment systems and advising on licensing;
- a **Chinese P2SP company** on the regulatory requirements and issues surrounding digital entertainment and content circulation products;
- a **Chinese online social media company** on the regulatory requirements of launching an online challenge;
- a **US technology conglomerate** on Cyber-Security, Data Protection, and licensing issues associated with offering VoIP, IoT and Cloud Services;
- a **Thai telecoms company** on a dispute with another major Thai telecoms company in relation to the broadcasting rights issues for a global football event in 2018;
- a **Malaysian telecoms company** on investment in a telecoms company in Thailand and on the sale of its shares in a mobile phone operator;
- a **Japanese telecoms company** on legal issues for GPS businesses;
- a **Dutch telecom company** on VoIP regulations;
- a **US company** on VoIP regulations;
- a **US bank** on a pay program participating issuer agreement with a mobile phone manufacturing company;
- a **Japanese company** on creation, acquisition, transfer and license of digital maps.

## REPRESENTATIVE CLIENTS

- AB Foods & Beverages (Thailand) Ltd.
- AC Highland Co., Ltd.
- Acava Limited
- Aeon Co., Ltd.
- Agilent Technologies, Inc.
- Alstom (Thailand) Ltd.
- Alpha Max Group
- Amadeus Global Distribution SA
- ARTCO International Electronics
- Aquafil Asia Pacific Co., Ltd.
- Aquafil SpA
- ASH Asia International Ltd.
- Asiatic Agro Industry Co., Ltd.
- Associated British Foods PLC
- Association of Cyprus International Investment Firms
- Atradius Insurance NV
- Auric Pacific Food Retail Pte. Ltd.
- Ayudhaya Capital Auto Lease PCL
- Ball Corporation
- BASF (Thai) Limited
- BDO Unibank, Inc.
- Bank of Nova Scotia, Canada
- Bank of Nova Scotia, Hong Kong
- Bangkok Bank PCL
- Bayerische Hypo- und Vereinsbank AG
- Bayerische Landesbank AG
- BBA Aviation PLC
- BEKO Technologies AG
- Big Asset Limited
- Big C Supercenter PCL
- Borealis AG
- BP-Castrol (Thailand) Ltd.
- Building Blocs Co., Ltd.
- Bullsone Co., Ltd.
- ByteDance Ltd.
- Cainz Corporation
- Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce
- Chevron Corporation
- Central Pattana PCL
- Chit Chai Industry Co., Ltd.
- Cholcharoen Co., Ltd.
- Citibank N.A.
- Crosstitch Apparel Pte. Ltd.
- Cushman & Wakefield (HK) Ltd.
- DAEAN 21 Co., Ltd.
- Dairy Australia Limited
- DLF (Thailand) Ltd.
- Delloyd Industries (M) Sdn Bhd
- Delloyd-TIMS (Thailand) Co., Ltd.
- Doctors' Associates Inc.
- Dropbox, Inc.
- Durr AG
- eBay, Inc.
- E.I. Du Pont de Nemours
- Entertainment Group Limited
- ES Ceramics Technology Bhd.
- Essar Steel Limited
- Essentra Components Pte. Ltd.
- ExxonMobil Ltd.
- Facebook, Inc.
- Fast Retailing Co., Ltd.
- Farallon Capital Management LLC
- Fifth Media Sdn. Bhd.
- Filter Mart Co., Ltd.
- Filtex Marketing Sdn. Bhd.
- Finetec Corp.
- Finnair Plc.
- FIP (Thai) Co., Ltd.
- Flowrider Surf Ltd.
- Fresenius Kabi (Thailand) Co., Ltd.
- Fujiken Co., Ltd.
- Fujikawa & Co.
- Fujitsu Limited
- General Motors Corp.
- General Motors Acceptance Corp.
- George Weston Foods Limited
- GlaxoSmithKline (Thailand) Limited
- Group 4 Securicor PLC
- GS Yuasa International Ltd.
- Hanel Company Limited
- Hawker Pacific Pty. Ltd.
- HSBC Bank (Taiwan) Limited
- Huawei Technologies Co., Ltd.
- Impiana Hotels & Resorts
- InMobi Pte. Ltd.
- Instagram LLC.
- International IP Holdings, LLC
- Iris Ohyama Inc.
- IRIS Corporation Berhad
- Itokin Co., Ltd.
- James Hardies Technology Limited
- Jasol Asia Pacific Limited
- JTEK Corporation
- JP Morgan Chase Bank N.A.
- Kasikornbank Public Company Limited



- Keys Corp.
- KPN Music Company Limited
- Kotra Pharma(M) Sdn.
- KRR International Corp.
- Lamont Design Co Ltd.
- Langdon & Seah (Thailand) Ltd.
- Laurent-Perrier
- LG Household & Health Care Ltd.
- Lixil (Thailand) PCL
- Lisman Forklifts Group
- Loyal-HQ Industrial Corporation
- Lucta S.A.
- Mauser-Werke GmbH
- MAXI-CASH Financial Services Corporation Ltd.
- Mayo Foundation for Medical Education and Research
- Melco Holding Inc.
- Meeting Point Hotelmanagement Holding GmbH
- Microbial Discovery Group
- Nagarjuna Group of India
- NED
- Neocell Corporation
- Nippon Express Co., Ltd.
- NTT DoCoMo
- Oil Plus Ltd.
- Orlebar Brown Limited
- Osotspa PCL
- Panasonic Corporation
- Pen K Inter Trading Co., Ltd.
- Penkhun Co., Ltd.
- Pioneer Hi-Breed International, Inc.
- Polo BCS Co., Ltd.
- Porn Samer Co., Ltd.
- RHB Islamic Bank Bhd.
- RPC Australia Pty Ltd.
- Redland Engineering Ltd.
- Royal Ceramic Industry PCL
- Salvatore Ferragamo SpA
- S&J International Enterprises PCL
- S-Biotek Holding ApS
- Sanki Engineering Co., Ltd.
- San Miguel Corp.
- Schneiders Electric Industries
- Scomi Energy Services Bhd.
- Sears Roebuck & Co.
- Siam Cast Nylon Co., Ltd.
- Siam Steel Mill Services Ltd.
- Sino-Pacific Trading (Thailand) Co., Ltd.
- Simpson Marine Ltd.
- SK Engineering & Construction Co., Ltd.
- SK Networks Co., Ltd.
- SMEC (Malaysia) Sdn. Bhd.
- Societe Generale
- Sofa Brands International plc
- SPARX Funds PLC
- Stork Intellectual Property B.V.
- Stubhub, Inc.
- Subway Properties, Inc.
- Suntory Holdings Limited
- Sunway Berhad
- Sumida Corporate Service Incorporated
- Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corp.
- Technical Concepts LLC
- Telekom Malaysia International
- Tenggara Oil Berhad
- TIMS Technology (Thailand) Co., Ltd.
- The British Dispensary Co., Ltd.
- The East India Company Holdings Pte. Ltd.
- Topcon Corporation
- Toto Limited
- Toyota Boshoku Corp.
- Traveloka Technology Pte. Ltd.
- Toyota Motor Corporation
- Union Steel Limited
- Wellcome Trust
- Westbridge Foods Ltd.
- Whitemeadow Cruising Ltd.
- World Planet International Co., Ltd.
- Y2K Accessories Trading Co., Ltd.
- Yahoo! Southeast Asia Pte. Ltd.
- Yohji Yamamoto, Inc.

## TEAM MEMBERS



### **KOWIT SOMWAIYA, MANAGING PARTNER, SENIOR PARTNER**

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Kowit holds a BA (Education) from Ubon Ratchathani Rajbhat University, an LL.B. from Thammasat University, an LL.M. from University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and a Certificate of Instruction for Lawyers from Harvard Law School. He worked with Domnern Somgiat & Boonma for seven and a half years, with Chandler & Thong-ek Law Offices for four and a half years, and for four years as a partner of George & Kowit. Before founding LawPlus Ltd. in 2003, he was the Managing Partner of the Bangkok Office of Herbert Smith Freehills. Kowit has over 30 years' experiences in laws on banking, corporate, foreign direct investment, merger and acquisition, intellectual property, IT, telecoms, dispute resolution and litigation.

Kowit is a member of the Lawyers Council of Thailand, the Thai Bar Association, the Intellectual Property Association of Thailand (Director 2009-2016, Vice President 2017-2019), the ASEAN Intellectual Property Association, the Asian Patent Attorneys Association (Co-Chair of the Emerging IP Rights Committee 2013-2015 and member of the Anti-Counterfeiting Committee 2016-2020).

He was a member of the INTA Board of Directors (2018-2020), the INTA Global Advisory Council-Asia Pacific (2018-2019), the INTA Anti-Counterfeiting East Asia & Pacific Subcommittee (2004-2005, 2008-2009 and 2012-2013), the INTA FTA Analysis Committee (2006-2007), the INTA Famous & Well-Known Marks Committee (2010-2011). He also served INTA as Chair of the INTA East Asia & Pacific Sub-Committee of Anti-Counterfeiting Committee (2014-2015), Chair of the INTA Harmonization of Trademark Law and Practice Committee (2016-2017), Co-Chair of the INTA Global Advisory Council-Asia & Pacific (2016-2018). Currently Kowit is serving as a member of the INTA Digital Transformation Advisory Board (2020-2021).

Kowit was identified as a leading lawyer for banking and finance transactions by the Legal 500 Asia Pacific from 2003 to 2017, as an on-point, precise advice to a global clientele by WTR 1000, 2013, as a knowledgeable and decisive partner by the Legal 500 Asia Pacific, 2012, as a hardworking and commercial by the Legal 500 Asia Pacific, 2011, as an intelligent lawyer, who engages with his clients by the Legal 500 Asia Pacific, 2010, as recommended for Corporate and M&A by the Legal 500 Asia Pacific, 2020 and 2021. The PLC Which Lawyers? Yearbook 2008 recommended him for corporate and M&A transactions. He was "highly recommended" for corporate/M&A by the PLC Cross-border Merger and Acquisitions Handbook 2007. The AsiaLaw Leading Lawyers 2009 listed him as a leading lawyer for M&A. The IP Profiles 2006 and 2007 picked him as a well-known IP practitioner. The AsiaLaw Profiles 2006 and 2007 named Kowit as having notable expertise on banking, intellectual property, M&A, restructuring, insolvency and bankruptcy. The AsiaLaw Leading Lawyer 2005 named Kowit as a leading lawyer for banking, general corporate practice, corporate governance, restructuring and insolvency. He was highly recommended company and corporate transaction practitioner by the 2003/2004 Global Counsel 3000 and named as an "IP Star" by the World IP Surveys of the Managing Intellectual Property (2017, 2018 and 2019). The 2017 Asia IP Experts named Kowit as a leading lawyer for Trademarks and IT & Telecoms and the WIPR Leader 2018 to 2020 also listed him as a "leading lawyer" for patent prosecution. He was listed as one of Thailand's Top 100 Lawyers in the Thailand A-List of the Asia Business Journal 2018 and 2019. The IAM Patent 1000, 2021 edition named Kowit as a leading patent professional in Thailand.



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Prasantaya was recognized by The Asialaw Leading Lawyers 2018 as a Leading Lawyer for corporate/M&A and intellectual property and by The Asia Business Journal 2018 and 2019 as one of Thailand's Top 100 Lawyers in its Thailand A-List. She was also recognized as a leading lawyer for intellectual property by The AsiaLaw Leading Lawyers in 2015 and 2016. She has been recommended for intellectual property by The Legal 500 Asia Pacific, 2020 and 2021.



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Usa holds an M.A. in economics law from Chulalongkorn University and an LL.B. (2<sup>nd</sup> Class Honours) in business law from Chulalongkorn University. She is a member of the Lawyers Council of Thailand, the Thai Bar Association and the Intellectual Property Association of Thailand. She started working at LawPlus in May 2007. Usa has extensive experience in corporate, foreign direct investment and intellectual property matters. She has advised clients on investment promotion, trademark registrations in Thailand and in foreign countries, assignment of trademarks and commercial transactions. Usa has been recommended for corporate and M&A by The Legal 500 Asia Pacific, 2021.



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