



# **Disputes**

We provide the ultimate ground advantage for commercial disputes. Most cases are actually won or lost on the ground, where the assets are. That is where we come in. Many parties are hesitant to get involved in litigation in the emerging markets we cover, but local proceedings can also be turned into an advantage. If you know the terrain really well, that is.

Through our locally qualified network partners, we provide the full range of litigation, arbitration and dispute resolution services. Our litigators, trial lawyers and foreign consultants are known for their aggressive stance and creative approach.

We are known for never giving up. We leave no stone unturned to get you the leverage you need on the ground. Talk is cheap. Winning is everything. All the rest is chit chat.



Cambodia Indonesia Laos Myanmar Vietnam

# **COMMERCIAL DISPUTES**

- Handing litigation on recovery of damages with an injunction for commercial data infringement
- Commenced legal proceedings on behalf of a claimant in the construction materials sector
- Advising a foreign joint venture partner on a complex three party dispute involving the local partner and the Myanmar Government in transportation infrastructure
- Represented the foreign investor in a shareholder dispute in Cambodia
- Commenced legal proceedings on behalf of a claimant in the logistics sector in an enfreightment situation in Myanmar
- Acted on a dispute concerning a Joint Operating Agreement for an offshore oil and gas block in Myanmar
- Competition dispute involving a European manufacturing company in Indonesia
- Obtaining a decree of sale over movable goods in Myanmar



#### **INSOLVENCY AND RESTRUCTURING**

- Corporate workout of a US\$100 million holiday resort project in Cambodia
- Filed an insolvency suit and related proceedings for a pharmaceutical production company in Myanmar
- Conducted insolvency proceedings acting for an institutional shareholder in a foods business in Cambodia
- Assisted clients with legal proceedings involving an insolvent mobile operator in Cambodia

# **INSURANCE**

 Acting on an insurance claim by an independent power producer in Cambodia

# **TAXATION**

- Assisted the foreign owner of one of the largest investments in Laos with a dispute on tax concessions
- Advising a real estate private equity fund on land, corporate structuring and tax controversy matters in Cambodia
- ▶ Advising a Fortune 500 company in oilfield services with tax controversy matters in Cambodia
- ► Handled litigation, acting for a foreign-owned bank in Indonesia on a bank recovery matter
- Resolved a dispute between an oil refinery and the Indonesian tax administration
- Assisted the first large hydropower company with dispute on the tax exemption scope under its concession agreement
- Advised a global mining company on the deductibility of intangible assets in Laos in accordance with its mineral exploration production agreement
- Assisted the brewery manufactory with tax assessment in particular VAT deductibility
- Assisted various foreign contractors under hydropower sectors with tax exemption under the concession agreement for foreign contractors; annual tax assessment and tax release under the double taxation avoidance agreement

<sup>&</sup>quot;...highly praised by peers and clients alike as a seasoned and informed professional."

<sup>-</sup> Asia Law

#### **LABOR**

- Assisted a garment manufacturer during a high profile collective labor action in Cambodia
- Represented a top foreign executive in a consulting contract termination dispute with an oil company in Myanmar
- Assisted a telecom operator in Myanmar with a potential criminal claim against a top executive

# **ARBITRATION**

- Court of Arbitration for Sport in Lausanne, Switzerland, acting on a dispute between sport federations in Indonesia
- Assisted one of the largest foreign-owned investments in Laos in an investment dispute with the Government
- Assisting a large telecom operator in Myanmar with the enforcement of a contractual arbitration agreement at the Supreme Court
- Conducted first modern recognition and enforcement proceeding of a foreign arbitral award before a Myanmar court

# **REAL ESTATE DISPUTES**

- Acted for the co-owner of a 30-hectare coastal property in Ream, Cambodia on a property dispute, culminating in several legal proceedings
- Litigation on behalf of the majority foreign shareholder in a joint venture dispute involving the contribution of land lease rights in Myanmar
- Acting for the owner of a landed estate on a border delineation dispute in Cambodia
- Land claims dispute in connection with a palm oil plantation in Indonesia

# **REGULATORY PROCEEDINGS**

- Represented an importer of beverages on an administrative proceeding involving the Food and Drug Authority in Myanmar
- Assisted a nationwide mobile network operator to overcome an administrative decision involving import licenses in Myanmar
- Proceeding to de-register and aircraft from the aviation registrar in Myanmar in the context of an international enforcement

#### **CRIMINAL AND OTHER MATTERS**

- Represented an employee of a foreign embassy in connection with a manslaughter prosecution pursuant to a fatal accident in Myanmar
- Assisted a member of the security forces of a foreign state with a criminal prosecution in Myanmar
- Proceedings acting on behalf of high-net worth family members in connection with a complex multijurisdictional succession.
- Defended a foreign government-owned media company facing criminal proceedings in Myanmar
- Assisted a telecom operator in Myanmar with a potential criminal claim against a top executive



<sup>&</sup>quot;Edwin is very good at dealing with very difficult issues; he can push things through, make things work."

<sup>-</sup> Chambers and Partners

# **CONTACTS DISPUTES**



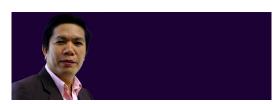
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