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Senior foreign attorney Mr. Dong Ho Yoo provides comprehensive legal advisory services in various areas, including cross-border trade, M&A and other foreign investments, international arbitration and general corporate matters.

He began his career as a journalist at The Korea Times, covering the National Assembly, the Ministry of Unification, and the Ministry of National Defense (2002–2004). He later worked as an attorney at CITILAW, LLC in Illinois, USA (2010–2012), and then as a legal counsel in the Overseas Legal Team at LG Electronics Inc. (2012–2013), where he handled global legal affairs. From 2014 to 2015, he served as a legal advisor at the KOTRA Hanoi Trade Office, supporting Korean companies entering the Vietnamese market.

As head of Jipyong's Hanoi office since 2013, Mr. Yoo has provided in-depth legal advisory services to global companies from various industries and financial institutions on on local investments and general business operations. Additionally, he served as a legal advisor to the Embassy of the Republic of Korea in Vietnam (2021–2022), handling diverse diplomatic and legal issues. Since 2024, he has been acting as the legal advisor for the K-Startup Center in Hanoi, operated by the Korea SMEs and Startups Agency, supporting small and medium-sized enterprises in their entry and investment in Vietnam.

Education

2010 University of California, Hastings College of the Law (J.D.)

2002 Sogang University (summa cum laude, B.A. in Korean Literature & English Literature)

Experience

Head, JIPYONG Hanoi Office 2013-Present 2013-Present JIPYONG LLC 2024-Present Legal Advisor, KOSME KSC Hanoi 2021-2022 Legal Advisor, Embassy of the Republic of Korea in Vietnam 2014-2015 Legal Advisor, KOTRA Hanoi 2012-2013 Legal Counsel, LG Electronics Inc. 2010-2012 Associate, CITILAW, LLC 2002-2004 Staff Reporter, The Korea Times

Notable Achievements

- Represented NH Investment & Securities in connection with its buy-out of its joint venture partner.
- Advised Mirae Asset Global Investments on acquisition of equity in a local asset management company in Vietnam
- Advised Daesang on acquisition of equity in a local meat processing company
- Advised Korea Investment Partners on purchase of new shares in Appota
- Advised Ericsson-LG on sale of equity in a local joint venture company
- Advised Hanwha Techwin on establishment of Hanwha Aerospace (factory for production of aircraft engine components) in Hanoi, Vietnam and investment therein
- Advised Hanwha Techwin Security Division on incorporation of a local subsidiary in Vietnam and investment therein
- Advised LS Metal on incorporation of a local subsidiary and operation thereof
- Advised Ourhome on incorporation of a local subsidiary in Vietnam
- Advised POSCO on incorporation of a representative corporation in Vietnam
- Advised CJ E&M on the investment in a joint production of a movie with foreign partners in Vietnam
- Advised local subsidiaries of LS Cable and Hwaseung Industries in Vietnam on IPO on the KOSPI market
- Advised Hyundai E&C on construction of BITEXCO Finance Tower (highest building in Ho Chi Minh City) and Marriott Hotel (Hanoi)
- Advised Daewoo Engineering & Construction on Tay Ho Tay (THT) New Town Development Project and Van
 Phu Project in Hanoi
- Advised Samsung C&T Corporation on the construction of Son Duong Port in Vietnam
- Advised Daewoo E&C on operation of its local subsidiary, THT
- Advised LG ServeOne on operation of its local subsidiary in Vietnam
- Advised POSCO Daewoo on operation of its local subsidiary in Vietnam
- Advised Hanwha Aero Engines on operation of its local subsidiary in Hi-Tech Park
- Advised Hanwha Techwin Security Division on operation of its local subsidiary
- Advised LG Metal on operation of its local subsidiary
- Advised NH Investment & Securities on operation of a local joint venture company in Vietnam

- Advised Lotte Shopping's local Vietnamese corporation (department store)
- Advised Lotte Rental on operation of a local subsidiary
- Advised Lotte Hotel on operation of a local subsidiary in Hanoi
- Advised Shinhan Bank on operation of a local subsidiary in Vietnam
- Advised Woori Bank on operation of a local subsidiary in Vietnam
- Advised NH Bank on operation of a branch office in Hanoi
- Advised KB Kookmin Bank on operation of a branch office in Hanoi
- Advised Lotte Rental on operation of a branch office in Hanoi
- Advised Samsung Electro-Mechanics on operation of a local subsidiary
- Advised Samsung Engineering on operation of a local subsidiary
- Advised Samsung SDS on operation of a local subsidiary
- Advised Samsung Welstory on operation of a local subsidiary
- Advised Samsung S-1 on operation of a local subsidiary
- Advised Daesang on operation of local subsidiaries, Duc Viet and Miwon Vietnam
- Advised LG Electronics on operation of a local subsidiary
- Advised Ourhome on operation of a local subsidiary
- Advised Hyundai Mobis on operation of a representative office in Hanoi
- Advised Hotel Shilla on Vietnam project

Honors and Recognitions

2018 JIPYONG's Transaction Lawyer of the Year Award

Speaking Engagements and Publications

2015 Introduction to the local laws of foreign countries with focus on real cases for Korean businesses, Vietnam II, Real Estate · Construction (Ministry of Justice)

Bar Admissions & Qualifications

2010 California

Languages

Korean / English

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