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As the founder & Executive Partner of Chun & Chun, Kornkieat has over 24 years of experience working as a licensed lawyer and litigator with one of Asia's leading international law firms, and is one of Thailand's leading international level lawyers. Asialaw (www.asialaw.com/firms/tilleke-and-gibbins/f4219#/lawyers), has ranked Kornkieat as a Leading Lawyer in Dispute Resolution and Litigation for three consecutive years (2015-2018). In addition, based on feedback from peers and clients Benchmark Litigation's first Asia-Pacific Directory in 2019 named Kornkieat as a "Dispute Resolution Star" in the category of Commercial and Transactions, Labour and Employment law (www.benchmarklitigation.com). He has testified as a Thai law expert in international arbitration proceedings and he served as a member of the Commission on Arbitration for the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) in 2015 and 2018.

Kornkieat's extensive legal experience covers primarily civil and criminal litigation, arbitration and enforcement of arbitral awards. Examples of cases he has handled include representing the following clients:

- A module fabrication sub-contractor in a pre-arbitration procedure against the main contractor of an offshore LNG project in North Australia
- The US Government in negotiations with a Thai debtor
- A sub-contractor in a construction dispute against the prime contractor of a controversial wastewater management project

- The supplier of an aviation system against a state enterprise in pre-litigation negotiations pertaining to the breach of a supply contract
- A Hong Kong construction conglomerate in a contentious business deal with its Thai joint venture (JV) partner which led to civil lawsuits, cross border arbitration, and a government investigation into the acts of the JV partner and a related state enterprise
- A multinational software design company in four civil and criminal cases against a former director, alleging that the company falsified the incumbent's resignation and claiming damages
- A global manufacturer of in-store refrigerators and cooling devices in an arbitration case against its former distributor claiming damages on the basis of a failed joint venture arrangement it had been negotiation for eight years
- A US law firm to recover funds fraudulently transferred to a Thai bank account

Kornkieat has been the counsel and co-counsel on several local and international arbitrations, and counseled many clients on in and out of court negotiations and conciliations.

Kornkieat has published widely, especially on the issue of arbitration and dispute resolution in law journals. He has also kept up to date with the latest trends through international trainings such as the ICC Institute Masterclasses for Arbitrators held in Hong Kong and Singapore in 2013 and 2014, respectively, and the World Mediation Organization's Symposium in 2016.

A graduate of Thammasat University's Law Faculty, Kornkieat is a member of the Thai Bar Association, a registered Notarial Services Attorney and the Lawyers Council of Thailand. He is fluent in English and Thai.

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