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Waranon (Warren) Vanichprapa is recognised as a well-skilled banking lawyer with experience in bank lending transactions, cross-border deals, acquisition finance, structured finance, interbank lending, export credit financing, projects and debt restructuring.

With his professional background including years of practice in London, Hong Kong and Singapore, Warren has been appointed to advise foreign clients on inbound investment as well as domestic clients on their outbound investment.

Warren has been recognised by various legal directories and publications such as *Chambers Asia Pacific*, *Legal 500 Asia Pacific* and *IFLR1000* over the past ten years. His recent deals won many prestigious awards including "Best Deal of the Year", "Best Cross Border Financing" and "Best Cross Border Financing" where he acted for leading banks in Thailand.

Warren holds the role of Co-Country Managing Partner for DLA Piper Thailand.

- Finance
- Restructuring

- Financial Services

English Thai

LANGUAGES SPOKEN

- English
- Thai

- Advising Bangkok Bank PCL, Mizuho Bank, SMBC, Krungthai Bank PCL and Government Savings Bank on their THB38.5 billion five syndicated facility agreements for PTTOR Public Company Limited.*
- Advising Bangkok Bank PCL as mandated lead arranger and lender and The Siam Commercial Bank PCL and Krungthai Bank PCL on their approx. THB60 billion (USD2 billion) financing for the construction of Mass Rapid Transit Pink and Yellow Line with sponsors being BTS Holding, Ratchaburi and Stecon.*
- Advising Bangkok Bank PCL, the Industrial and Commercial Bank of China and Mizuho Bank on their THB5 billion, JPY9 billion and USD70 million share acquisition facilities agreement to BCPG Public Company Limited with Singapore, Indonesia and Thailand being

relevant jurisdictions. (Best Deals of the Year: Best Acquisition Financing, The Asset Country Awards 2017)*

- Advising TISCO Bank PCL in connection with its acquisition of over THB40 billion retail businesses from Standard Chartered (Thai) Bank Plc.*
- Advising Bangkok Bank PCL, Kasikornbank PCL, Tisco Bank PCL and Mizuho Bank, Bangkok Branch on their THB10 billion secured facilities agreement to BCPG Public Company Limited. (Renewable Energy Deal of the Year, Thailand - The Asset Triple A Asia Infrastructure Awards 2017)*
- Advising seven mandated lead arrangers (three Thai and four international banks) on their USD 6 billion acquisition financing. The financing was for the acquisition of Siam Makro PCL shares by CP All PCL.*

* Denotes experience at a previous firm.

CREDENTIALS

Professional Qualifications

- Lawyer admitted with the Lawyers Council of Thailand

Recognitions

- Ranked as a leading individual (Band 2) for Banking and Finance in Thailand by *Chambers Asia Pacific*, 2018 - 2021
- Recognised as Next Generation Partner for Banking and Finance in Thailand by *Legal 500 Asia Pacific*, 2020 - 2021
- Recognised as a Rising Star lawyer for Banking and Project Finance by *IFLR1000*, 2011, 2018, 2019 and 2020
- Ranked as a leading individual (Band 3) for Banking and Finance in Thailand by *Chambers Asia Pacific*, 2016 and 2017
- Named as an Up-and-Coming (2012 – 2015) and Associate to Watch (2008 – 2011) for Banking and Finance in Thailand by *Chambers Asia Pacific*

Education

- University of Bristol, UK, LLM in Commercial Law, 2005
- Thammasat University, Thailand, LLB (2nd-class Hons), 1997

Memberships

- Member, Thai Bar Association
- Lawyers Council of Thailand

INSIGHTS

Publications

Recent changes on the interest rate, debt repayments and how these would affect your financing in Thailand

18 June 2021

On 10 April 2021, the Thai Government enacted The Emergency decree amending the Civil and Commercial Code B.E. 2564 (2021) (Emergency Decree) to amend the Thai Civil and Commercial Code (CCC) (as amended, the Amended CCC). Recently, the Bank of Thailand (BOT) issued its notification no. SorKorSor. 9/2563 Re: Default interest calculation and application of debt repayment dated 9 October 2020 (New BOT's notification). This new set of law has changed a Thai legal landscape on the interest calculation and the debt repayment.

