

## GMAP Internship Report / GMAP インターンシップ報告書

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### I. Basic information / 基本情報

- 1) Name / 名前 : PAPHAWINEE TANASRIWATTANA
- 2) Enrolled year / 入学年 : 2018
- 3) Period of internship / インターン期間 : 1 month
- 4) Place of internship / インターン場所 : Oh-Ebashi LPC & Partners (Osaka)
- 5) Person who accepted your internship / インターン受入担当者 : Ms. Michiko Kanai
- 6) Content of work in your internship / インターン中の作業内容

1. Researching on laws, regulations, court judgments, and arbitral awards.
  2. Reviewing contracts and international agreements.
  3. Summarizing issues found and making legal comments.
- (Please see more details in Part II)

### II. Details and impressions / 詳細と感想

Oh-Ebashi LPC and Partners (“Oh-Ebashi”) is the largest law firm in Osaka located in the sophisticated area of the city. There are four offices; Osaka, Tokyo, Nagoya, and Shanghai. Approximately 140 attorneys are currently working for this law firm. Oh-Ebashi provides myriad areas of legal service for both domestic and international transactions. The



intern at Oh-Ebashi is not assigned to any particular section; therefore, it is exceptionally advantageous for intern to have an opportunity to practice in unlimited fields.

During my intern period, I have been assigned mainly to conduct a legal research, review contracts, and make comments. The example of assignments and experiences I have achieved are described hereafter. My first assignment was to review sale agreement, license agreement, and franchise agreement of the Japanese company who wants to expand its business abroad. This assignment allowed me to learn the sense

of business and how important of the lawyers are to drive and support international business. Another great opportunity I have learned is regarding start-up business in the United States. I was assigned to review the



right of refusal agreement, the amended and restated voting right agreement, and the indemnification agreement, and compare them with the market standard. Employment agreement and confidentiality clause is one of the most important issue in the era. Fortunately, I was in charge of researching US and Japanese law concerning trade secret and court interpretation of confidentiality provision. In addition, I have an opportunity to learn about Due Diligence which I have realized that one of the most important characteristics of an excellent lawyer is to be exhaustive and

cautious. I also have a chance to get involved in international commercial arbitration case particularly regarding the interim measure. I have learned that thorough knowledge on relevant law and regulation as well as the preparation of evidence and statement is very crucial. Moreover, I have conducted a research on US immigration regulations and privacy laws in US and EU (the EU General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), the California Online Privacy Protection Act of 2003 (*CalOPPA*), and The Children's Online Privacy Protection Act (COPPA)). I have learned that the interpretation of this area of law is very complicated and lawyers have played the crucial role to support the clients' businesses.



Apart from working in the office, I have a chance to attend the meeting and seminar at the Osaka Bar Association; for example, the seminar on Malaysian Legal System and its Impact on Japanese Company and the seminar on Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction. This moment is significantly valuable because I have an opportunity to get to know other Japanese and international lawyers as well as to expand my legal knowledge.



I would like to express my special thanks to Kanai-sensei who gave me this precious opportunity to learn about organizational culture in Oh-Ebashi as well as Nick-sensei who has assigned me many tasks which I have exposed to numerous legal fields. Even though I will return to my home country and work in a government sector, the experience and practice in a private sector is undoubtedly indispensable. Government authorities need to thoroughly examine the business practice before enacting, interpreting, and applying the laws. The notion of business practices and skills I have learned during the internship will definitely be beneficial for my career in the government office.



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