

# Opus Law Seeks to Expand Legal Expatriate Services



BANGKOK, THAILAND - Opus Law Intl. is a new Bangkok-based law firm that seeks to provide high quality services that are professional, efficient and cost effective to expatriates and foreigners within the Kingdom of Thailand. The Opus team comprises of a consultant from the UK, Philip Sweeney, who has over 30 years of experience practicing law as a Solicitor of the Supreme Court in England and Wales; and a Thai licensed lawyer, Wirun (Ohm) Suwanno, with over 12 years of legal experience. Their practice areas include, but are not limited to, visas and immigration, property, litigation, family and children and business services.

Both Opus Law Intl. partners, Sweeney and Suwanno, understand the many hurdles and challenges foreigners face while living and working in Thailand. Opus Law Intl. seeks to make this procedure easier on foreigners by simplifying the process, offering professionally ethical and financially sound services where clients can be reassured their needs and concerns will be heard by English speaking legal advisors where nothing will be lost in translation.

Sweeney and Suwanno opened Opus Law Intl. with a strong understanding and knowledge of local needs and a focus on providing reputable services. "Having heard about and read on various forums in Thailand, [there were] many disparaging comments directed towards the quality of [legal] service provided and the doubtful integrity of some of those providing such a service. I believe that our open and transparent approach to legal services will prove to be well received," said Sweeney.

Pictured left to right: Martin Moessing (legal trainee), Philip Sweeney (Partner) and Wirun (Ohm) Suwanno (Partner)

As a Thai national Wirun (Ohm) Suwanno has had legal experience both at home and abroad. He has studied at Thailand's Thammasat University and obtained his LLM (Master of Law) in Commercial Law from Sheffield University, a top ranked law school in the United Kingdom. In addition to being a licensed Notarial Services Attorney, he has extensive experience in criminal and civil litigation - more specifically, commercial legal matters (BOI and Transnational Company Share Purchase Agreements) that would be beneficial knowledge for any expatriates with businesses in Thailand.

Before moving to Thailand, Philip Sweeney retired as a Senior Partner of Opus Law Solicitors (a UK Legal 500 firm) with offices throughout the UK in Bradford, London and Birmingham, dealing with serious fraud, complex crime and regulatory matters. Philip Sweeney still remains a Consultant Solicitor to his firm in England. He moved to Thailand in 2014 and brings with him 30 years of invaluable legal experience.

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