

Overview

People living in Korea benefit from having access to a high level of health care delivered through the Korean medical system. The quality of healthcare in Korea is not accidental. The medical profession and health care system, including the manufacture of pharmaceuticals and medical devices, are carefully monitored and highly regulated by Korea's Medical Service Act and other laws, to create and maintain their high level of quality.

Over the past two decades the Korean healthcare industry has experienced dramatic changes in its market size, legal and regulatory environment, customer expectations and demands, and the healthcare industry's interaction with other industries in Korea. Dentons Lee (formerly, Lee International law office) have been at the heart of these changes, accumulating over 50 years of knowledge on the developing regulations, law and technology related to the provision of healthcare services, pharmaceuticals and medical devices in Korea. Our Healthcare practice group prides itself on its longstanding history of being able to successfully lead our clients through the complex maze of industry regulations, provide strategies to help our clients accomplish their business goals in the healthcare industry, and to help our clients resolve disputes and solve other problems that arise in this rapidly evolving business and regulatory climate.

We regularly assist clients with a wide variety of civil, criminal, administrative and constitutional actions, as well as providing sound legal and regulatory advice, involving medical and dental care, medical professionals, medical institutions, pharmacies, drugs and medical devices, within Korea and abroad.

Services

- Advise on legal and regulatory issues related to the operation of hospitals, clinics, other medical and dental facilities and pharmacies.
- Advise on legal and regulatory issues related to the operation of nursing homes, assisted living facilities and other related facilities.
- Advise on legal and regulatory issues related to the manufacture, sale, distribution, importation, permitting and other regulatory approvals associated with pharmaceuticals, vitamins and supplements, medical devices and medical supplies.
- Represent clients in connection with bioequivalence matters.
- Represent clients in product liability suits related to pharmaceuticals and medical devices.
- Represent clients in medical malpractice civil suits.
- Advise and represent clients on their intellectual property related to the healthcare industry.
- Advise and represent clients in suits relating to the Medical Service Act including various administrative laws and regulations pertaining to the provision of medical services.
- Advise clients on legal and regulatory issues relating to medical care expenses and payments owed by the National Health Insurance Service.
- Represent clients in suits with government entities relating to regulatory and legal issues involving the healthcare

industry.

- Advise on legal and regulatory issues related to alternative medicine.
- Advise on legal and regulatory issues related to veterinary medicine and animal-rights.

Representative Experience

- Represented clients in suits challenging the suspension and other penalties imposed on a health care business.
- Represented clients in a constitutional challenge to certain healthcare laws filed in the Constitutional Court.
- Represented clients in medical malpractice actions.
- Advised and defended clients in claims in suits involving various administrative laws and regulations pertaining to the provision of medical services, including matters related to the Medical Service Act.
- Advised on the handling of medical records and on the provision of medical services, including resolving regulatory actions.
- Advised and defended clients in claims in suits related to violation of the Labor Standards Act involving healthcare providers.
- Advised and defended clients in claims and suits seeking return of medical cost overpayments made to hospitals.
- Advised on regulatory approvals associated with medicines, other pharmaceuticals, medical supplies, medical devices, medical facilities and medical personnel and employees.
- Represented healthcare professionals in administrative actions related to licensing.
- Represented clients in actions related to reimbursement for medical care expenses.
- Advised clients on regulatory and legal issues related to the operation of facilities providing medical services, including convalescent hospitals, residential treatment facilities, hospitals for the elderly, silver towns, other hospitals and clinics.
- Represented clients in suits related to medical advertising.
- Advised and represented client in connection with pharmaceutical bioequivalence matter.
- Advised clients on regulatory issues related to the approval, sale and distribution of pharmaceuticals and vitamins and supplements in Korea.
- Represented client in Constitutional challenge to certain healthcare laws.
- Advised client in a criminal action relating to alleged practicing of medicine without a license.
- Advised client on veterinary medicine and animal-rights issues
- Advised client on regulatory issues related to alternative medicine.
- Advised client on approvals and permits for the manufacture, sale and importation of medicine and medical supplies.
- Represented clients in defense of product liability suits related to pharmaceuticals and medical devices.

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