SHIN & KIM

Immigration, Visas, Citizenship

With the increasing number of foreign nationals residing in Korea, the demand for legal services related to visas, residence, and nationality continues to grow. Additionally, due to a lack of understanding of immigration and citizenship systems, there has been a rise in cases where individuals face unexpected legal and administrative issues.

In particular, when a foreign national violates domestic laws, they are subject to immigration offense review in addition to criminal penalties, and depending on the circumstances, may face serious disadvantages such as deportation or restrictions on their stay status. Therefore, an immediate response is of utmost importance.

Shin & Kim's Immigration and Citizenship Team provides prompt and professional legal services across all aspects of immigration, including response to crimes committed by foreigners, immigration offense reviews, visa and residence permits applications, and acquisition or recovery of nationality, based on a seamless collaboration of experts in criminal, immigration, and citizenship law.

Key Services

Shin & Kim provides the following services through its Immigration and Citizenship Team:

1. Criminal and Administrative Litigation

Handling all types of civil and criminal cases involving foreign nationals, various administrative litigations, response to offense reviews, deportation and immigration regulation cases, applications for temporary release from detention, and comprehensive response to crimes and immigration cases involving foreign nationals.

2. Corporate Immigration and Citizenship Matters

Support for investment, assignment, and employment visas and residence management for foreign executives and employees, consulting on overseas dispatch of personnel, and assistance with foreign investment and investor immigration matters.

3. Individual Immigration and Citizenship Matters

Services for individuals including acquisition and recovery of citizenship, permanent and long-term residence visas, overseas Korean visas, employment visas, change of stay status, refugee and humanitarian stay applications, and other immigration matters for individuals.

4. Other Consulting Services

Consulting for foreign students, invitation of entertainers and performance groups, foreigner registration and domestic residence reporting, and comprehensive advice and support for various immigration administrative matters.

Experience

- Response to immigration offenses related to false invitations and illegal employment related to foreign medical tourism.
- Response to immigration offenses related to activities outside the permitted scope for foreign students.
- Response to cases of suspension of indictment for those suspected of military service evasion among dual nationals by birth who did not return to Korea.
- Advised on applications for recovery of citizenship and change to overseas Korean status due to acquisition of foreign citizenship by naturalization.
- Advised on lawful employment methods in response to employment restrictions due to illegal employment of foreign nationals.
- Advised on employment of domestic staff for diplomatic missions in Korea.
- Advised on changing to overseas Korean visa (F-4) for overseas Koreans planning to be employed in Korea.
- Advised on workplace changes and additions for foreign professionals (E-7 visa).
- Advised on debt and credit issues among foreign permanent residents residing in Korea.

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