

NEWSLETTER AUGUST 2025

In this edition, we highlight major reforms to modernize Vietnam's notarization practice, enacted on 26 November 2024 and effective from 1 July 2025.

Besides, we provide other news and regulations that might interest you.



NEW REGULATIONS UNDER VIETNAM'S LAW ON NOTARIZATION NO. 46/2024/QH15

On 26 November 2024, the National Assembly of Vietnam passed Law No. 46/2024/QH15 ("2024 Law on Notarization"), which took effect on 1 July 2025. This new law introduces major reforms to modernize notarization practice in Vietnam, aiming to enhance accessibility, streamline procedures, and integrate technology into notarial services.

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LAWS & REGULATIONS

Law No. 60/VBHN-VPQH

Law No. 60/VBHN-VPQH dated **15 August 2025** consolidates the Law on Commercial Arbitration, providing a unified version for easier reference and implementation.

Decree No. 226/2025/ND-CP

Decree No. 226/2025/ND-CP dated **15 August 2025**, effective the same day, amends key decrees under the 2024 Land Law on land pricing, compensation and resettlement, registration, usage rights, and regulations on forest and paddy land, aiming to refine valuation methods, streamline procedures, and ensure consistency.

Decree No. 221/2025/ND-CP

Decree 221/2025/ND-CP, issued on **8 August 2025**, establishes a limited-term visa exemption scheme for special-category foreign nationals whose presence supports Vietnam's socio-economic development. Effective from **15 August 2025**, the decree

defines eligible groups, conditions and procedures, and the features of special visaexemption cards.

Decree No. 219/2025/ND-CP

Decree No. 219/2025/ND-CP, dated and effective on **7 August 2025**, simplifies rules for foreigners working in Vietnam by streamlining work permits, expanding exemptions, and shortening processing timelines.

Decision No. 1757/QD-TTg

Decision No. 1757/QD-TTg, dated and effective on **18 August 2025**, approves a plan to streamline construction-related administrative procedures by removing redundancies and reducing processing times to enhance business efficiency.

Consolidated Document No. 40/VBHN-BCT

Consolidated Document No. 40/VBHN-BCT, issued by the Ministry of Industry and Trade on 12 August 2025, is a consolidated document that merges various ministerial circulars regarding the dispatching, operation, operational procedures, emergency handling, black start, and restoration of Vietnam's national power system into one unified text.

Consolidated Document No. 39/VBHN-BCT

Consolidated Document No. 39/VBHN-BCT issued 12 August 2025 is a consolidated text issued by the Ministry of Industry and Trade that merges multiple circulars on procedures for suspending or reducing electricity supply into a unified document.

Consolidated Document No. 38/VBHN-BCT

Consolidated Document No. 38/VBHN-BCT, issued by the Ministry of Industry and Trade on 12 August 2025, is a consolidated document merging multiple ministerial circulars on the electric power sector, specifically those regulating the electricity transmission, distribution systems, and energy metering.

OTHER NEWS



Priorities laid bare for high-quality FDI

Ssupporting industries have emerged as a vital link in the country's efforts to attract high-quality foreign direct investment and enhance the competitiveness of its manufacturing base. (VIR)



Vietnam sees \$786 million in July M&A across key sectors

Vietnam's merger and acquisition (M&A) market saw strong activity in July, with deals spanning multiple key sectors. (VIR)



Ministry of Finance proposes simplifying procedures for overseas investment

The Ministry of Finance is looking to simplify procedures for overseas investment to encourage domestic firms to expand their operations in international markets. (VIR)



High taxes, low drive: why Vietnam's top earners want to work less

After receiving a VND5 million (US\$190) monthly raise, Nam Anh felt disheartened when nearly VND2 million of it went straight towards personal income tax. (VnExpress)



E-commerce boom raises concerns about waste and emissions

About 80% of online consumers believe that e-commerce has a negative or very negative impact on the environment, according to a survey conducted by the Vietnam E-commerce Association (VECOM) last year. (VnExpress)



Government issues roadmap for mandatory online bidding for investor selection

The online investor selection process regulated by the newly promulgated decree is applicable to projects that fall under international bidding. (VnEconomy)

National data center officially opens in Hanoi

The 20-ha center, located at Hoa Lac Hi-Tech Park, is among the largest of its kind in Southeast Asia. (VnEconomy)







A trend towards smart and sustainable manufacturing

Mr. Nguyen Quan, former Minister of Science and Technology and Chairman of the Vietnam Automation Association, tells Vietnam Economic Times / VnEconomy's Minh Nguyet how transforming Vietnam's production model towards smart and sustainable practices is crucial. (VnEconomy)

Vietnam's AI economy potential

Bold plans to turn AI into a central element of Vietnam's GDP structure remain hindered by the country's shortfalls in capacity. (VnEconomy)



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EVENT



[LMS 2025] Events in Real Estate Sector

Training Workshop: Lease/ sublease agreement of real estate: Application of new regulations and key considerations in drafting contractual clauses.

Our Special Counsel, **Minh Nguyen**, will join as a speaker to provide insights on "New Regulations on Real Estate Leasing Business: Opportunities and Challenges".

Date: 28 August 2025

Venue: Kim Do Hotel, 133 Nguyen Hue, HCMC

Language: Vietnamese

Register now: https://lnkd.in/gmcm8smb



FIRE Starters: Global Summit - Dublin

Our Special Counsel, **Minh Nguyen**, will be speaking at the summit, organized by **ThoughtLeaders4**FIRE | TL4FIRE.

The event brings together 200+ emerging leaders in fraud, insolvency, and asset recovery from around the world. Minh will join a distinguished panel of experts to discuss the commercial aspects of asset recovery.

Date: 25-27 February 2026
Venue: Conrad Hotel, Dublin
Register now: https://hubs.la/Q03B5C7x0

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