



Siam Legal International Expands Thailand LTR Visa Advisory Services Following Major 2025 Reforms

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Siam Legal International, a leading legal and immigration firm in Thailand, has strengthened its Long-Term Resident (LTR) Visa advisory operations in response to significant reforms implemented by the Board of Investment (BOI) that have eased qualification criteria across multiple applicant categories.

The reforms, which took effect in late 2025, represent Thailand's strategic initiative to attract global talent, remote professionals, investors, and retirees by relaxing income, employer, and work experience requirements. As a BOI-certified agency, Siam Legal has expanded its support services to meet increased demand from international applicants seeking to relocate to Thailand long term.

The updated criteria introduce substantial changes across key categories. For Wealthy Global Citizens, the minimum income requirement has been removed, while the global asset requirement remains at USD 1 million plus USD 500,000 investment in Thai assets. Work from Thailand Professionals now face a reduced employer revenue threshold of USD 50 million over three years, with no work experience required. The

Highly Skilled Professionals category has eliminated work experience requirements and expanded eligibility to include academic and research roles across all fields. Requirements for Wealthy Pensioners remain unchanged, while dependent eligibility has expanded to include parents, legal dependents, and same-sex partners, pending final Interior Ministry confirmation.

"The 2025 reforms mark a pivotal shift in Thailand's approach to attracting long-term residents," said Rex Baay, Senior Immigration Consultant at Siam Legal International. "While the relaxed criteria have opened doors for many more qualified applicants, the documentation standards remain strict, and proper preparation is essential for successful applications."

The LTR Visa continues to offer compelling benefits, including a 10-year renewable validity, annual reporting instead of the standard 90-day requirement, eligibility for digital work permits, fast-track immigration services, and preferential tax benefits. Most categories maintain full exemptions on foreign-sourced income remitted into Thailand.

The application process involves three main stages. Qualification endorsement typically takes approximately twenty working days after complete submission. Following approval, visa issuance occurs through TIESC or the Royal Thai Embassy or Consulate using the e-visa system within sixty days. Digital work permit issuance at TIESC follows within three to five working days.

These relaxed rules significantly broaden opportunities for remote employees of multinational companies, investors, startup founders, academics, and specialists seeking to establish long-term residency in Thailand. The reforms reflect Thailand's commitment to remaining competitive as a relocation hub for high-net-worth individuals and skilled foreign residents.

Siam Legal has responded to the surge in inquiries by enhancing its LTR Visa advisory capabilities, offering comprehensive assistance with eligibility assessments, documentation preparation, investment verification, and tax advisory services under the updated framework. The firm's BOI certification enables direct communication channels for faster coordination and priority handling of applications.

Siam Legal International is a comprehensive law firm based in Thailand offering legal, immigration, family law, business law, litigation, and property services. The firm specializes in assisting international clients with Thai visa applications, business registration, and legal documentation services.

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