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Kim Tan

Engineering

European and Dutch Patent Attorney

Of counsel

Even before considering becoming a patent attorney, Kim was involved in drafting a patent application resulting from a design project in the course of his studies. His interest in innovation strategies and management of R&D is reflected in the attention he pays, together with his clients, in establishing an optimal fit of activities in the field of patents and other intellectual property to the business strategy of his clients.

As a patent attorney, Kim has particular expertise in the fields of office equipment, medical devices, software and business method related inventions dairy farm equipment, well engineering and maritime engineering.

Kim's activities ranged from advisory (e.g. strategy, patentability and freedom to operate, valuation) through drafting applications, prosecution to infringement litigation, in which he has a vast experience. Until January 2020 Kim was a partner at V.O., since then he has been working of counsel.

Working experience

• Patent Attorney, V.O. (1987-2019)

Education

MSc in Industrial Design Engineering, Delft University of Technology (1987)

Publications

- FJ Sijtsma, R van Niele, et al; Uitgevonden in het Noorden: octrooien als maatstaf voor innovatie in Groningen, Friesland en Drenthe; ISBN 9789036719896 (2004)
- A H K Tan, Beoordeling octrooi-aanvragen software is versoepeld, Automatiserings Gids 17-3-2000, nr. 11, blz. 19

Professional & Community Activities

- Member organizing committee 60th anniversary Dutch Patent Attorney Association (1996)
- Member of management committee (2003-2008) and training and juniors committee (1998 now), VW DTP (sailing club)

Languages

- Dutch
- English
- German
- French