



## **Distinguished Legal Counsel for Multi-National Clients in Iraq**

**We Combine  
Western  
Standards of  
Professionalism  
with Local  
Knowledge and  
Expertise**



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### **Our expertise**

- Distinguished Representation from Experienced Attorneys
- We are committed to providing our clients with top legal expertise combined with western standards of professionalism.
- Our specialties include:
  - ◇ Business formation and registration
  - ◇ Legal/Business consulting for international corporations and investors
  - ◇ Employment/labor law
  - ◇ Public contracting and construction
  - ◇ Civil/criminal trial proceedings
  - ◇ Real property sales and leasing
  - ◇ Contract negotiations and drafting
  - ◇ Government compliance
  - ◇ Disputes with Iraqi Ministries / Oil Ministry
  - ◇ Finance/Tax consulting

### **Our capabilities**

- We have been providing legal consultancy services for over 10 years to multi-national corporations, individual investors, and non-profit organizations seeking to establish a presence in Iraq.
- We are trusted by international industry leaders



### Representative Experience

- Successfully represented a European company, resulting in just under \$6 million in Oil Ministry fund restoration, a first in recent history for the Ministry.
- Advised clients on the Iraqi legal framework for arbitration clauses in commercial agreements.
- Acted successfully for an international company to prevent goods from being sold at auction at one of the Basra ports.
- Advised an IOC subcontractor on the application of Iraqi law on contractual provisions, the issuance of visas, and registration requirements.
- Negotiated and drafted an agreement for an international corporate investor with a local oil services company.
- Advised a major international insurance company on potential liability for a port operator at one of the major ports in Basra.
- Represented international corporations seeking to establish Iraq-based operations.
- Effectively represented foreign investors against a fraudulent judicial complaint in a high profile case with millions of dollars at stake. Both the judge and opposing counsel faced criminal charges after the case was adjudicated.
- Appeared as an expert witness in U.S. federal court on issues relating to Iraqi law.

### Our Experts



**Sermid Al-Sarraf, Esq. General Counsel** – A California attorney of Iraqi descent, Mr. Al-Sarraf was admitted to the Iraqi Bar Association in 2005, becoming one of the first U.S.-trained lawyers to be licensed to practice in Iraq. In recognition of his expertise, Mr. Al-Sarraf has appeared in U.S. federal court as an expert witness and has provided expert testimony in multiple cases before the UK High Court on matters involving the application of Iraqi law.

### **BROAD NETWORK OF LEGAL PROFESSIONALS**

In addition to our General Counsel, DSLM has experienced Senior Counsel, and business registration associates as well as dedicated attorneys in provinces outside Baghdad.

Given the depth of our professional experience and relationships, we have developed a broad network of attorneys, law professors, and retired judges with a wide array of specialties including employment, public contracting, construction, banking/finance, litigation, tax,

maritime, and aviation law.

