

36. Sector:	Legal Services – Foreign Legal Consultants
Obligations Concerned:	National Treatment (Articles 8.3 and 9.2) Senior Management and Boards of Directors (Article 8.7) Local Presence (Article 9.5)
Description:	<p>Cross-Border Trade in Services and Investment</p> <p>1. Korea reserves the right to adopt or maintain any measures including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) restrictions on certification, approval, registration, admission, and supervision of, and any other requirements with respect to, foreign-licensed lawyers or foreign law firms supplying any type of legal services in Korea; (b) restrictions on foreign-licensed lawyers or foreign law firms entering into partnerships, commercial associations, affiliations, or any other type of relationship regardless of legal form, with <i>byeon-ho-sa</i> (Korean-licensed lawyers), Korean law firms, <i>beop-mu-sa</i> (Korean-certified judicial scriveners), <i>byeon-ri-sa</i> (Korean-licensed patent attorneys), <i>gong-in-hoe-gye-sa</i> (Korean-certified public accountants), <i>se-mu-sa</i> (Korean-certified tax accountants), or <i>gwan-se-sa</i> (Korean customs brokers); (c) restrictions on foreign-licensed lawyers or foreign law firms hiring <i>byeon-ho-sa</i> (Korean-licensed lawyers), <i>beop-mu-sa</i> (Korean-certified judicial scriveners), <i>byeon-ri-sa</i> (Korean-licensed patent attorneys), <i>gong-in-hoe-gye-sa</i> (Korean-certified public accountants), <i>se-mu-sa</i> (Korean certified tax accountants), or <i>gwan-se-sa</i> (Korean customs brokers) in Korea; and (d) restrictions on senior management and the board of directors of legal entities supplying foreign legal consulting services, including with respect to the chairman.