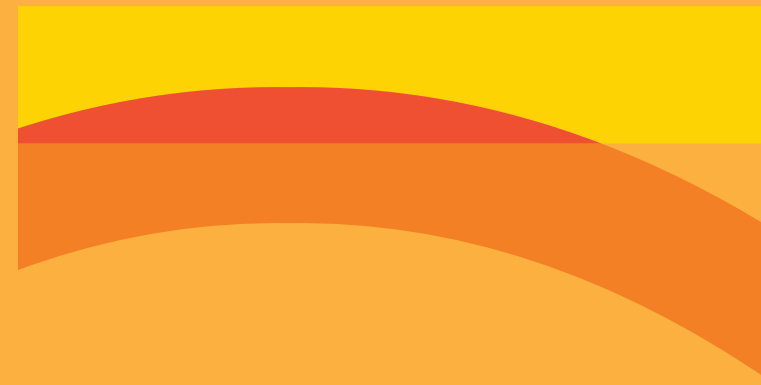


Overview of the Press Arbitration Commission



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Basis of the Establishment and Functions

Purpose of Establishment

Article 7 of the *Act on Press Arbitration and Damage Remedies*: The Press Arbitration Commission (hereinafter referred to as the “PAC”) is hereby established to settle disputes arising from and related to any press report or medium of the press, etc. by conciliation or arbitration, and to deliberate on infringements caused thereby.

Major Functions and Roles

- In the event of disputes arising from reports by the press(broadcasting, newspapers, periodicals such as magazines, news communications, and online newspapers), internet news services(portals), and internet multimedia broadcasting(IPTV), the PAC promptly remedies the damage through conciliation and arbitration upon receiving requests for a report on a corrected statement, requests for a report on a contradictory statement, requests for a further report, and compensation for damages. (In principle, conciliation and arbitration cases are processed within 14 days after receipt, and all services are provided at no charge.)
- The PAC deliberates on violations of personal or social legal interests resulting from news reports and recommends corrections.
- In accordance with Article 8-3 of the *Public Official Election Act*, the PAC establishes and operates the Election News Deliberation Commission to assess the impartiality of election news.

02 HISTORY

- March 31, 1981
Establishment of the Press Arbitration Commission under the BASIC PRESS ACT
- November 28, 1987
Enactment and promulgation of ACT RELATING TO REGISTRATIONS, ETC., OF PERIODICALS and Repeal of the BASIC PRESS ACT



- February 14, 2002
Establishment of the Deliberating Commission on News Reports under the ACT ON THE ELECTION OF PUBLIC OFFICIALS AND THE PREVENTION OF ELECTION MAL PRACTICES



- July 28, 2005
Enforcement of ACT ON PRESS ARBITRATION AND REMEDIES, ETC., FOR DAMAGE CAUSED BY NEWS REPORTS



- March 5, 2020
Designated Seoul's 5th arbitral tribunal as a COVID-19 responsive arbitral tribunal
- November 2, 2020
「Journal of Media and Defamation Law」 was selected as "KCI -registered journal"
- March 3, 2021
Celebrated the 40th Anniversary

1980s

2000s

2020s

1990s

2010s



- December 30, 1995
Revision of ACT RELATING TO REGISTRATIONS, ETC., OF PERIODICALS - Authorizing the Press Arbitration Commission to award an ex officio ruling on mediation



- January 27, 2005
Enactment of ACT ON PRESS ARBITRATION AND REMEDIES, ETC., FOR DAMAGE CAUSED BY NEWS REPORTS
 - Introduction of Arbitration system besides Conciliation system
 - Conciliation and Arbitration on claims for compensation for injury
 - Inclusion of on-line newspaper on Conciliation and Arbitration object
 - Introduction of oral or e-mail filing system



- February 6, 2009
Revision of ACT ON PRESS ARBITRATION AND REMEDIES, ETC., FOR DAMAGE CAUSED BY NEWS REPORTS
 - Inclusion of Internet news service, Internet multimedia broadcasting on Conciliation and Arbitration object



- April 11, 2011
Ceremony of the thirtieth anniversary of the Commission
- September 24, 2012
Establishment of exclusive arbitral tribunal for compensation for injury cases in Seoul
- December 31, 2013
2,433 Conciliation application cases filed during the calendar year : 190 arbitration cases concluded
- November 12~13, 2014
Hosted 2014 PAC International Conference KOREA
- November 30, 2015
「Journal of Media and Defamation Law」, first issue Published



03 Mission and Vision

Mission

To contribute to the happiness of the general public by harmonizing freedom of speech with public responsibilities.



Vision

An agency specializing in dispute conciliation to promote the rights and interests of media users and foster a healthy public sphere.

Core Values

Fairness and Promptness

Communication

Expertise

Innovation

Strategic Tasks

Strengthening the status as a quasi-judicial independent body.

Providing trusted dispute resolution service.

Expanding research on press laws and policy functions.

Setting the strategy in preparation for changes in the media environment and laying foundations for growth.



Mission of the Secretariat

To practice the core values required to fulfill the public responsibilities of the Commission.

Practical Tasks

PROFESSIONAL

Enhancing the professional competencies of human resources.

ACTIVE

Actively improving systems and establishing a smart work environment.

COLLABORATIVE

Expanding the organizational culture of mutual cooperation and empathy.

