

Assoc. Prof. Pornchai Soonthornpan

St. Michael Award for Public Service (First Class)

Citation:

Assoc. Prof. Pornchai Soonthornpan completed his LL.B. at Thammasat University in 1964 and his M.C.L. (Comparative Law) at Southern Methodist University, USA in 1970. He also received Certificate in International and Comparative Law from South Western Legal Foundation, USA in the same year. The National Defence College of Thailand awarded him a certificate in 1997.

Assoc. Prof. Pornchai Soonthornpan has held a number of positions in the last 30 years amongst them Associate Professor in the Faculty of Law, Ramkhamhaeng University, where he served as the Vice-President of the university. After teaching as part-time at Assumption University for twenty years, he joined AU in 1999 and has been the Dean of the Faculty of Law since then.

One of his outstanding contributions to society is being appointed by His Majesty King Bhumiphol to be a committee member of the Council of State for ten successive years. His other valuable contributions to society include the following:

1. Board Member, Metropolitan Waterworks Authority (Thailand)
2. Board Member, Tourism Authority of Thailand
3. Sub-committee Member, the Royal of Thai Police
4. Committee Member, Committee to Revise the Announcements of the National Revolutionary Council
5. Adviser to the Minister of Justice
6. Academic Committee Member, Commission on Higher Education
7. University Council Member, Kasem Bundit University
8. Academic Committee Member, Bangkok University, Royal Thai Police Cadet Academy and Kasem Bundit University
9. Part-time Lecturer at Royal Thai Police Cadet Academy, Bangkok University, Kasem Bundit University, Siam University, University of the Thai Chamber of Commerce, Southeast Asia University and Institute of Legal Education of the Thai Bar

He also received royal recognition as follows:

1. Knight Grand Condor (Special Class) of the Most Exalted Order of the White Elephant
2. Knight Grand Condor (First Class) of the Most Noble Order of the Crown of Thailand

Because of his distinguished contributions in law to society, Assumption University is pleased to award Assoc. Prof. Pornchai Soonthornpan the St. Michael Award for Public Service (First Class) on December 24, 2006

