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## NON VISUAL MARK PROTECTION ESPECIALLY SOUND MARKS IN INDONESIA

## Abstract:

Trade mark definition in Indonesia based on Article 1 Law Number 15 Year 2001 about trade mark , shall mean : a sign in the form of picture, name, word, letters, figures , composisition of colors, or combination of said elements, having distinguishing features and used in the activities of trade in goods or services. Based on that definition Indonesia only protect visual mark.

In recent times, conventional mark (Visual mark) has been expanded to include non visual mark such as sounds.Now, Indonesia doesnt have a regulation to protect non visual mark.

Sounds have been increasingly used as a trade mark in the market place. However, it has traditionally been difficult to protect sounds as trademark through registration.

This issue broadened the legal definition of trademark which is encompassed not only merely a sign.

In other countries sounds have been more succesfully registered based on their distingtive sounds example: MGM and their Lion roar.

Based on that issues Indonesia should protect sounds as aTrademark and to determine what kind of model regulation for soundmark protection.

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