

LEGAL 500 ASIA PACIFIC 2022 RECOMMENDS CNPLAW LLP FOR SEVEN PRACTICES AND TWELVE OF ITS LAWYERS

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Key contacts: Lisa Theng and Pradeep Kumar Singh.

Lawyers ranked: Lisa Theng, Pradeep Kumar Singh, Tan Min-Li, Quek Li Fei, Bill Jamieson, See Tow Soo Ling, Subramanian Pillai, Ken Chia, Amit Dhume, Wong Pei-Ling, Low Wee Siong and Kenn Lim.

CNPLaw LLP (CNP) is pleased to announce that seven of our practices and twelve of our lawyers have been “Recommended by the Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2022”.

CNPLaw’s Managing Partner, Ms Lisa Theng commented on the firm’s rankings: “We are delighted that our various teams have been recognised by Legal 500 Asia Pacific. This recognition is a testament to the commitment and drive of our people to provide practical and quality advice to our clients. The twelve lawyers recognised by Legal 500 are leading experts in their various fields of practice and we celebrate their achievements. We are grateful to our clients for the trust given to us over the years. Special thanks also to Legal 500 Asia Pacific for this recognition. Our team of talented lawyers and staff are encouraged and will continue to serve our clients with excellence.”

The practices recommended and the reviews provided by Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2022:

Banking and Finance:

CNPLaw LLP’s team is focused on advising banks, financial institutions and investment funds, as well as corporate borrowers, on domestic and cross-border financing transactions. The group’s experience covers acquisition and leveraged finance, asset and asset-backed financing, debt restructuring and insolvency. Real estate-related finance is a forte for the firm, which is also active in the TMT and shipping arenas. Quek Li Fei heads the department with varied experience pertaining to secured and unsecured lending in Singapore and across borders and a particular specialism in project finance. English-qualified Bill Jamieson is able to provide expertise in financial services regulations. Kenn Lim and Wong Pei-Ling are also lawyers of note. In January 2021, the team was joined by Low Wee Siong from Wong Tan & Molly Lim LLC.

Capital Markets – Debt and Equity:

CNPLaw LLP’s corporate finance group, valued for its ‘knowledge and integrity’, is highly involved in domestic capital markets, advising issuers and underwriters on their debt and equity transactions. The group is able to draw on other strong practices within the firm, that regularly assist with dispute resolution, intellectual property and real estate issues arising from capital markets work. In January 2021, the group was boosted by the arrival of Low Wee Siong from Wong Tan & Molly Lim LLC, who brought with him expertise in transactions involving Hong Kong-listed companies. Pradeep Kumar Singh is a veteran of the space, often handling IPOs and debt securities issuances. The team is led by Tan Min-Li, praised by clients as ‘an extremely reliable, attentive, innovative and solution driven lawyer’.

One client shared: ‘I’ve been working with Min-Li on a number of transactions over the past few years. She is extremely reliable, attentive, innovative and solution driven lawyer. She has demonstrated a unique ability to understand the capital markets deeply and provide thoughtful legal, risk, strategic and structural analysis and advice for a transaction. Her values run deeper than a transaction and the fees. She is respected by the bankers and the other party and its counsel. Her ability to lead and steer the discussion in

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her client's favour and yet leave a win-win position on the table is well appreciated.'

Another source notes: "Knowledge, integrity, solution-driven, multi-faceted, commercial, reasonableness, win-win situation."

Corporate and M&A:

A 'very proactive, consumer-focused' team, CNPLaw LLP is active across the ASEAN region, especially in Indonesia, Cambodia, Myanmar and Vietnam, with an ever-increasing roster of Chinese clients. Lisa Theng is the go-to for corporate governance and compliance affairs while Ken Chia hones his focus on M&A, joint ventures, restructuring and private equity affairs. The team counts manufacturing, financial services, healthcare, logistics, e-commerce, technology and retail as its key pillars. Bill Jamieson, who is dual-qualified in Singapore and England, specialises in supporting overseas clients who are looking to tap into Asian markets.

Clients have shared the following testimonials relating to the practice:

"They are very customer focussed and could pre-empt pitfalls. Very proactive."

"Firm is big enough to have access to competent legal counsel /platform in most areas of law while being small enough to still have an efficient overlap/interaction between departments and skillsets."

"Bill Jamieson is very consistent in giving timely and accurate advice as well as drafting, delivering or turning around of papers which are of high quality, with a first time right approach."

"Lisa Theng and her team are quick witted, authentic and willing to solve any problems."

Dispute Resolution:

The disputes team at CNPLaw LLP specialises in disputes related to construction and engineering, in which the team acts for developers, main contractors, and specialised sub-contractors. See Tow Soo Ling and Subramanian Pillai co-lead the diverse practice which also handles IP,, family, commercial disputes, and property litigation.

One client shared: 'Good client management skills and prompt delivery of work.'

Financial Services Regulatory:

CNPLaw LLP's financial regulatory lawyers have a strong focus on emerging financial technologies, advising on issues relating to payment services, blockchain, cryptocurrency and digital token offerings. The practice is headed by Mr Quek Li Fei.

One client shared: 'Strong relationship orientation. Ability to apply traditional knowledge as well as adaptability to help progress more cutting edge disruptive areas of legal practice. Very responsive to working within identified time frames.'

Investment Funds:

CNPLaw LLP has an established record in open-end and closed-end funds, including hedge funds, private equity funds, venture capital funds and mutual funds. The team is also noted for its funds formation and regulatory expertise, and the firm is increasingly active in the open-ended VCC space. Rounded lawyer Bill Jamieson is a specialist in Singapore and international law matters, with extensive expertise in cross-border

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matters. Mr Amit Dhume provides further specialism in funds formation and regulatory issues. Key clients of the firm include Dios Asset Management Pte Ltd, Impact Capital Asset Management Pte Ltd, Blue Ashva Global VCC, Hera Capital Partners Pte Ltd, Hera Capital Partners Holdings V Pte Ltd and NAV Fund Services (Singapore) Private Limited

Labour and Employment:

CNPLaw LLP fields a team of multi-skilled and versatile lawyers, noted mainly for its non-contentious and transaction-related expertise. It represents a number of Singapore-based and regional businesses. Lead partners Bill Jamieson and Pradeep Kumar Singh have broad corporate and commercial experience, and they are also able to advise on employment law issues.

Key clients of the firm include Innovatrics s.r.o., Merx Aviation Singapore Pte Ltd, MSIG Holdings (Asia) Pte Ltd, Tech Data (Singapore) Pte Ltd, a subsidiary of Tech Data Corporation and True Partner Technology Singapore Pte Ltd, a subsidiary of Hong Kong listed True Partner Capital Holding Limited.

One client shared: 'Very good solid legal advice. Always well thought through and covers all the points required.'

- Mr Low Wee Siong for Banking and Finance and Capital Market

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