LEGAL 500 ASIA PACIFIC 2023 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, Daphne Tan and Venetia Tan.

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 2023".

"Thank you Legal 500 Asia Pacific for this recognition. We are grateful for the trust and confidence that our clients have placed in us. Special thanks to our team of talented lawyers and staff, who embody our firm's 2023 theme of Strength in Unity."

- CNPLaw's Managing Partner, Ms Lisa Theng

The practices recommended and the reviews provided by Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2023:

Banking and Finance:

CNPLaw LLP has a versatile banking and finance practice, which is as comfortable in acquisition, project and corporate financings as it is in specialised areas such as asset finance and debt restructuring. Practice head Quek Li Fei has a strong pedigree for acting for lenders and borrowers in domestic and cross-border financing mandates; he has additional expertise in blockchain and cryptocurrency issues. Banks, financial institutions, investment funds and corporate borrowers also turn to English law qualified Bill Jamieson and Pei-Ling Wong for assistance in a variety of lending transactions.

Capital Markets – Debt and Equity:

At CNPLaw LLP, the corporate finance team acts for mid-market listed companies, high-net-worth individuals and corporate finance houses in a variety of capital markets deals, including equity, debt, equity-linked and structured securities. The fintech and wider technology sector are at the core of the practice, which often leads advice on placements, share buybacks, capital reductions and restructurings. Leading the department is Min-Li Tan, who focuses on corporate and financial services, with a special emphasis on capital markets transactions in Singapore and throughout the region. Pei-Ling Wong is a key contact for cross-border deals.

One client shared: '*The team has proven their ability and dedication to really go all-in for the client's process.*'

Corporate and M&A:

At CNPLaw LLP, the team is active across Singapore, Myanmar, Cambodia, Vietnam and Indonesia, receiving engagement on M&A and divestment transactions in addition to more general corporate and commercial affairs. The practice caters to public and private clients alike, including a number of Chinese entities, and is headed by Lisa Theng, a lawyer with an intimate knowledge of the entertainment, healthcare, oil and gas, engineering, food and beverage, publishing and leisure industries.

Clients have shared the following testimonials relating to the practice:

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CNPLaw LLP's team is capable, prompt in their response and efficient in carrying out their duties.'

'Lisa Theng is knowledgeable, kind and helpful in advising her clients holistically. I worked with the lawyers in her corporate team such as Ken Chia and Kenn Lim and Venetia Tan and find all to be professional and customer centric.'

'Very collaborative. listens attentively before jumping in.'

'Lisa Theng – listens well. Very pro business practical proposals (instead of textbook answers).'

'Commercial savviness, can-do attitude, and excellent problem solving skills.'

'Always makes time when advice is needed. Delivers robust solutions to complex problems very quickly. Understands commercial underpinnings of problems and offers alternative solutions besides the obvious ones.'

Dispute Resolution:
CNPLaw LLP is instructed across all aspects of civil and criminal litigation as well as alternative dispute resolution. Specifically, the practice advises clients within the consumer product manufacturing, financial services and real estate sectors. The team also offers expertise advising developers, main contractors and specialised sub-contractors across the breadth of construction and engineering disputes. The department is overseen by a leadership trio comprising Soo Ling See Tow , Venetia Tan and Subramanian Pillai ; the latter represents publicly listed companies, multi-national corporations and high net worth individuals in corporate and commercial disputes.

One client shared: '*Innovative in suggesting solutions in dispute resolution. Able to think out of the box*"

Financial Services Regulatory:
CNPLaw LLP is noted for its dedicated blockchain, cryptocurrency and initial coin offerings group, which is particularly adept at advising clients on the new Payment Services Act 2019 and digital token offerings. Li Fei Quek, who has a background in banking and finance law, is the main point of contact in the team.

Investment Funds:
CNPLaw LLP has a well developed investment funds practice, including extensive experience in Singapore's VCC regime. The team has impressive Singapore and regional experience, and combines local and international expertise to assist private equity, real estate and mutual funds, among others. Amit Dhume is a notable funds expert with a strong background in fund formation and regulatory matters, while Bill Jamieson provides further cross-border experience in the funds field.

One client shared: *Cost effective, high quality, practical advice.'*

Labour and Employment:
Balancing both contentious and non-contentious work, CNPLaw LLP represents a significant number of Singapore and regional businesses, along with Singapore-based subsidiaries of multinationals. Drawing on the breadth of experience from across the firm, it has strong experience in employee transfer, employee incentives and has deep specialisation in employment disputes. Wong Pei-Ling has emerged as an

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important member of the team, alongside Pradeep Kumar Singh and Bill Jamieson.

Start-up and venture capital:
CNPLaw LLP has been endorsed as a firm to watch for Start-up and venture capital.

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