





Hayden Tan Chee Khoon Partner

Hayden Tan was called to the Bar of England & Wales and admitted as an Advocate & Solicitor of the High Court in Malaya in 2018. He is also a Singapore International Mediation Institute Accredited Mediator (Level 1). The current focus of his practice is corporate and commercial dispute resolution, as well as fraud defence.

Before this, Hayden had a broad practice which included defamation, administrative and public law, employment, intellectual property, tax and commercial law. In 2023, Hayden was named by the Legal 500 as a rising star for Dispute Resolution (Malaysia). He was also featured in The Legal 500 Powerlist for Arbitration (Southeast Asia, 2022 & 2023). He had advised and acted in various high-profile commercial disputes including:

- Defending a Johor based developer in the Kuala Lumpur commercial court against allegations of fraud made by the Inland Revenue Board.
- Acting for the plaintiff in a fraudulent misrepresentation claim of more than RM 20 million.
- Advising holders of notes issued and guaranteed by Indonesian companies regarding their rights against officers of the guarantor company and the arranging banks.
- Advising a market maker in relation to allegations of market manipulation and false trading.
- Acting for the corporate plaintiff against a successful regional budget airline regarding a licensing arrangement.
- Advising partners to a duty free joint venture business regarding the business's profit distribution mechanism. Acting for a share purchaser against MYSJ Sdn Bhd, the operator of the mobile application



'MySejahtera' used by the Government of Malaysia to combat Covid-19.

- Acting as co-counsel for a Russian entity in a complex civil litigation, involving claims of defamation, breach of contract, copyright infringement and breach of confidential information.
- Acting for a real estate investment trust in an assessment of damages proceeding relating to a multi-million ringgit claim based on conversion of hotel properties.
- Acting for a former prime minister in a defamation claim.

Hayden has authored/co-authored a number of publications such as "The Defence of 'Good Faith' in Malaysian Tax Cases" (Malayan Law Journal), "Employment Trends and Developments in Malaysia 2021" (Chambers & Partners), and "The Judicial Thoughts of Dato' Seri Hishamudin Yunus" (Chapter 5). He was also recently invited by the Asian International Arbitration Centre (AIAC) as a panellist in the AIAC Young Practitioners' Group Conference 2024 to discuss about arbitral measures.

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Qualifications

- Bachelor of Laws (1st Class Honours), University of Reading
- Barrister-at-Law (Inner Temple)
- Advocate & Solicitor, High Court of Malaya

Practice Areas

- Fraud Defence
- Mediation
- Commercial Litigation

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