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English | Chinese (Mandarin) | Vietnamese



About Philip

Philip Lee is an English and New York law qualified corporate partner based in Singapore.

He has over two decades of experience in public and private M&A, joint ventures, capital markets (both debt and equity), complex restructuring, structured financing and private equity across the globe, with a particular focus on the Asia Pacific region. His practice spans financial services, sustainability and environmental, social and governance (ESG), projects, energy and resources (both traditional and renewables), consumer and healthcare, technology (including telecommunication, fintech and biotech), real estate, infrastructure and construction sectors.

Philip has been based in Singapore since 2006 and has advised clients in every major jurisdiction in Asia. He brings a multidisciplinary approach to complex transactions involving public and private elements, enabling effective transaction planning, execution and regulatory compliance, while delivering commercial outcomes.

In the capital markets space, Philip represents issuers, sponsors and investment banks across a broad range of debt, equity and equity-linked capital markets transactions, including high-yield, investment grade, regulatory capital, corporate hybrids, Rule 144A/Regulation S transactions, special purpose acquisition companies (SPACs), DeSPACs, Securities Exchange Commission (SEC)-registered offerings, Islamic financing, global medium term note (GMTN) and euro medium term note (EMTN) programmes, privatisations, rights issues, initial public offerings (IPOs) and liability management exercises. He also has extensive experience advising on structured investments, repos, International Swaps Derivatives Association (ISDA) negotiation and documentation, and maintains a strong client following among global and regional securities houses.

In addition, Philip has extensive experience advising on secured and unsecured bank financing transactions, including leverage and acquisition financing, pre-IPO financing, mezzanine financing, project financing, refinancings and special situations transactions.

Philip is ranked in *Chambers Global*, *Chambers Asia Pacific*, *IFLR1000* and *Legal 500* as one of the world's leading international lawyers, and has advised on some of the most significant, award-winning, innovative and first-of-a-kind deals in the Asia Pacific region. *Chambers Asia Pacific* 2025

notes that "Philip is a very experienced practitioner who is super pleasant to work with and highly commercial in his approach," and he has been highlighted for his India, Vietnam and Indonesia expertise.

Experience

- Advised Ping An Insurance in connection with a US$3.5 billion 0.875% convertible bond listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange. This deal was the largest Reg-S-only convertible bond, the largest convertible bond in the insurance sector and the first offshore convertible bond ever by a Chinese insurance company.*
- Advised IIFL Finance in respect of the conversion of its EMTN programme to a GMTN Programme and a first drawdown of US$325 million 8.75% high-yield notes due 2028.*
- Advised Precious Shipping Public Company Limited on a sustainability linked bond guaranteed by CGIF, a trust fund of the Asian Development Bank. This bond was the first of its kind in the ASEAN shipping sector.*
- Advised Avation PLC in connection with the update of a US$1 billion GMTN programme to allow the company to access the US markets, and the first US$300 million high-yield bond drawdown.*

Mergers and Acquisitions

- Advised Indian promoters on disposing 100% of their stake in a leading business process outsourcing (BPO) provider of customer management solutions headquartered in Noida, India, with subsidiaries located globally, including in the US and Mauritius.*
- Advised a global investment company in respect of its acquisition of a minority stake in a technology company providing parking management technology to help employees of businesses in Australia and North America obtain access to their office parking.*
- Advised a global investment company in respect of the acquisition of a minority stake in a funds management company based in Australia.*
- Advised a global investment company on its acquisition of the entire interests in a fintech financial services company based in Australia.*

* Denotes experience prior to joining the firm.

Credentials

Education

- University of Western Australia, Bachelor of Laws, 1999
- University of Western Australia, Bachelor of Commerce, Double Majors in Accounting and Finance, 1999
- Securities Institute of Australia, Graduate Diploma, Applied Finance and Investment, 2003

Admissions

- New York, 2015
- England and Wales, 2004
- Supreme Court of Western Australia, 2000
- Singapore (Registered Foreign Lawyer)

Recognitions

- Leading lawyer – Capital markets, International, *Chambers Asia Pacific* 2013-2026
- Leading lawyer – Capital markets, International, *Chambers Global* 2013-2026
- Leading individual – Capital markets (Foreign Firms), Singapore, *IFLR1000* 2013 and 2019-2021
- Leading individual – Capital markets (Foreign Firms), *Legal 500 Asia Pacific* 2013-2026
- "Philip is a very experienced practitioner who is super pleasant to work with and highly commercial in his approach." *Chambers Asia Pacific* 2026
- "His advice is really well considered and appreciative of commercial drivers and aspects." *Chambers Asia Pacific* 2026
- Philip Lee "stands out for this expertise, dedication and unique approach". *Legal 500* 2026
- "Philip Lee is a leading capital markets lawyer with extensive experience in a variety of debt, equity and equity-linked capital markets transactions across Asia, and good experience in Malaysian transactions." *Legal 500* 2026

Expertise

Services

- Corporate
- Financial Services
- Mergers, Acquisitions & Other Business Combinations
- Intellectual Property & Technology
- Capital Markets
- Private Equity
- Restructuring & Insolvency
- Private Credit & Direct Lending
- Communications

Industries

- Advertising, Media & Brands
- Automotive & Transportation
- Aviation
- Energy & Natural Resources
- Healthcare
- Industrial Products
- Infrastructure

About our firm

One of the world's strongest integrated law firms, providing insight at the point where law, business and government meet. We deliver commercially focused business solutions by combining our legal, lobbying and political capabilities and invaluable connections on the ground to a diverse mix of clients, from long-established leading corporations to emerging businesses, startup visionaries and sovereign nations. More than 1,500 lawyers in over 40 offices across four continents provide unrivaled access to expertise.