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ABOUT WESLEY

Wesley's practice focuses on complex civil litigation and arbitration.

He has an active practice in local and cross-border disputes involving commercial contracts, shareholders' rights, trusts, tort, construction, white collar crime and defamation.

Wesley has acted for governments, multinational corporations, financial institutions and high-net-worth individuals at all levels of the Singapore Courts and in international arbitration, and often manages related proceedings in the United States of America, England, British Virgin Islands, India and China.

In 2022, Wesley was seconded to the New York office of Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP, where he handled complex civil litigation and arbitration matters including class action suits and investor-state arbitration.

Wesley graduated on the overall Dean's List from the National University of Singapore, and is a tutor for the Singapore Institute of Legal Education's Preparatory Course leading to Part B of the Singapore Bar Examinations.

EXPERIENCE

Some of the matters which Wesley has acted in include:

Civil claims

- Acted as lead counsel for a senior executive of an advanced manufacturing company in a S\$30M dispute involving allegations of unfair prejudice and breaches of shareholders' agreements.
- Obtained judgment for an international gas and energy consultancy and its director-shareholder against a Turkish energy conglomerate, in a dispute involving allegations of suspected criminal activity including terrorism and money laundering.

- Acting for a minority shareholder of a luxury property development and investment company in a dispute involving allegations of misappropriation of funds and unfair prejudice.

International Arbitration

- Acted for a multinational electronics manufacturer and successfully resisted a US\$30M SIAC arbitration claim from its minority shareholders, involving allegations of unfair prejudice and related proceedings in the Bangalore National Company Law Tribunal.

Investor-State Arbitration

- Advised a State in resisting claims under a Bilateral Investment Treaty, involving allegations of denials of justice arising out of the State's judicial and executive organs.
- Advised a gas and energy consultancy on its claims under a Bilateral Investment Treaty arising out of share seizures and confiscations of assets.

Shipping and oil and gas

- Successfully obtained judgment for an environmental-services arm of a Singapore-listed entity in a S\$20M dispute over claims under contracts relating to oil trading, charter hire and waste disposal plant operations.

Criminal matters

- Acting for the founder of a Singapore-listed technology company in respect of charges brought under the Penal Code and the Securities and Futures Act, including charges for falsification of documents, forgery and cheating.

Tort

- Acted as lead counsel for the estate of a victim in a fatal collision involving an international food delivery company.

Landlord and Tenant

- Struck out a S\$20M claim by a tenant in breach of contract and misrepresentation on behalf of a Singapore integrated resort, and successfully discharged two injunctions that prevented the landlord from repossessing the premises.

Construction

- Acted for a Singapore-listed construction company and successfully recovered around S\$1M for prolongation and variation costs in a Security of Payments Act adjudication.

Defamation

- Advised a multinational conglomerate on jurisdictional and substantive issues in pursuing defamation claims against its former Chairman in Singapore.

Cryptocurrency

- Acted as lead counsel for a partner of an investment fund in pursuing US\$2M of cryptocurrency assets against persons in Thailand and China.

MEMBERSHIPS

- Member, Singapore Academy of Law
- Member, Law Society of Singapore