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ABOUT DANIEL

Daniel practices civil litigation and international arbitration.

He handles a wide range of matters including complex disputes in construction, banking and finance, infrastructure projects, corporate and commercial disputes. He has also acted for clients in relation to investigations by various regulatory authorities in Singapore.

Daniel has represented multinational corporations, governments, financial institutions and individuals at all levels of the Singapore Courts and in international arbitrations.

Daniel is also a co-author of *Singapore Civil Procedure*, Sweet & Maxwell.

EXPERIENCE

Some of the matters in which Daniel has acted include:

Construction

- Successfully acted for a homeowner in the High Court and the Court of Appeal against a housing developer in claims for defects in a villa located in Sentosa Cove. These decisions are reported in [2019] SGHC 175 and [2020] SGCA 86.

International arbitration

- Successfully represented the Government of Laos in a challenge to an international arbitral tribunal's ruling that a Macau-based investor may bring expropriation claims of approximately US\$900 million against the Government of Laos pursuant to a Bilateral Investment Treaty between Laos and the People's Republic of China. The case raises a complex interaction between points of international law, treaties and custom, issues of PRC law and Singapore's domestic laws and policies towards jurisdictional rulings in investment treaty arbitrations.

Multi-billion infrastructure arbitration

- Daniel was part of the team acting in a complex international arbitration involving a multi-billion dollar mining project in Australia. There were also parallel proceedings before the Australian and Korean national Courts. The arbitral tribunal consists of eminent and distinguished individuals, chaired by a retired English High Court Judge.

Wrongful dismissal claim against bank

- Acted for a bank in a lawsuit in the Singapore High Court brought by a former senior employee against the bank for unfair dismissal. This suit arose on the back of global investigations by authorities worldwide into the alleged fixing and manipulation of global benchmark reference rates.

Companies, minority oppression

- Successfully defended the majority shareholders of a Singapore-based chemical company in a High Court action brought by a minority shareholder who alleged that the majority shareholders had acted in a manner oppressive to him. The decision of the High Court is reported in [2011] SGHC 116.

APPOINTMENTS / MEMBERSHIPS

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