



Shumin Lin
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LL.B (Hons) National University of Singapore (2008)

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ABOUT SHUMIN

Shumin has an active disputes practice and is experienced in complex contractual disputes, shareholder's disputes, company law issues, and tortious actions. She also has particular experience with cryptocurrency and blockchain disputes, and freezing injunctions.

In addition, she has handled judicial reviews, competition investigations and dawn raids.

Shumin has acted for a wide range of clients from various industries before the Singapore Courts and in international arbitrations. This includes acting for companies in the web3, retail, hospitality, and shipping industries as well as venture capitalists and high net individuals.

Shumin graduated on the overall Dean's List from the National University of Singapore and was placed fourth in the Singapore Bar exams. In the course of her undergraduate studies, she also obtained a University Degree in French Legal Studies from the University of Poitiers.

EXPERIENCE

Some of the matters which Shumin has acted in include:

- Acted for a web 3 company and its founders in a high-value complex commercial arbitration, involving issues of blockchain technology. The amount in dispute exceeded USD 100 million.
- Acted for a private hedge fund to obtain a Mareva injunction against unknown fraudsters to prevent the dissipation of cryptocurrency, and obtained Singapore's first ever order allowing substituted service by NFT. The matter involved millions of dollars' worth of cryptocurrencies which had been dissipated.
- Acted for a leading NFT company, which has one of the highest volumes of marketplace transactions in APAC, in its shareholders' dispute.
- Advised a leading market maker on novel issues relating to its obligations under the Payment Services Act
- Successfully argued before the High Court for the variation of two separate Mareva Injunctions, both of which exceeded S\$10 million in terms of the value of the assets frozen under the injunction.
- Led the mediation of a \$40 million dispute, which resulted in a favourable settlement for the client, who was a high net worth individual. The dispute was multi-faceted involving issues in Singapore, Brunei and other jurisdictions.
- Successfully resisted a winding-up application which had been made on the basis that the company had failed to repay a loan which exceeded S\$100 million, and also successfully resisted a novel application to re-instate the company to the ACRA register.
- Successfully resisted an application for relief against forfeiture and obtained a discharge of two injunctions that prevented a landlord from re-possessing the premises. The decision is reported in [2016] SGHC 90.
- Acted for a state-owned Russian company against a Yukos Group entity to resist enforcement of an ICC arbitral award of over \$80 million. The case involved concurrent litigation in Russia, France and, Ireland.
- Successfully acted for the telecommunications regulator in resisting an application by a public telecommunications licensee for leave to apply for judicial review.
- Advised on requests for information and documents made by the Competition Commission of Singapore pursuant to section 63 of the Competition Act (Cap. 50B).
- Attended and advised on dawn raids conducted by the Competition Commission of Singapore.

ACCOLADES

The Legal 500 Asia Pacific

International Arbitration 2025 –Recommended lawyer (2 consecutive years)

‘Lin Shumin was able to understand the issue quickly and was thorough in her examination of the materials and was able to decisively propose course of action.’



Benchmark Litigation Asia-Pacific

Future Star 2025 – Commercial and Transactions

Asian Legal Business Asia Super 50 Disputes Lawyers 2025

Recognised as being amongst the top 50 disputes lawyers in the region



“She understands the bigger picture before jumping into litigation strategy, making her advice commercially sound and adaptable.”

Asian Legal Business

Identified as one of 40 bright legal minds in the region under the age of 40 – “40 Under 40 list” (October 2020 issue)



Shumin is described as “knowledgeable, analytical, reliable and meticulous... Often working on tight deadlines, Shumin can be counted on to respond, even on weekends. We are very pleased with the legal advice and attention that Shumin has provided. She is very quick to grasp the issues and thorough in her analysis and advice.”

Singapore Business Review

Singapore’s 20 most influential lawyers aged 40 and under in 2019 – Listed lawyer

asialaw Leading Lawyers 2022 edition

“Professional and responsive. Always meets the deadline. Good advice in strategy.”

PUBLICATIONS

- Co-author of Chambers Global Practice Guide: Litigation, 2023 edition – Singapore
- Co-author of Singapore Civil Procedure, Sweet & Maxwell, 2019 – Discovery.
- Co-author of legaleSE, A Legal Handbook for Social Enterprises, Law Society of Singapore, 2015 – Restraint of trade.

APPOINTMENTS/MEMBERSHIPS

- Member, Singapore Together Alliance for Action, Ministry of Communications and Information
- Member, Singapore Academy of Law
- Member, Law Society of Singapore