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OPERATING AS WITHERS KHATTARWONG LLP IN SINGAPORE.

Theodore is a senior associate in our litigation and arbitration team.

Theodore has a broad commercial practice. He has advised clients in investor disputes, including investor-state disputes, complex shareholder agreements, construction & engineering, technology and finance industry disputes. He also advises on cross-border probate and administration, commercial fraud, torts, insurance and tenancies. He has acted at all levels of the Singapore courts and in arbitrations in the International Chambers of Commerce (ICC) and Singapore International Arbitration Centre (SIAC).

Theodore is recognised as one of [Singapore's 30 most influential lawyers under 40](#) by Singapore Business Review 2023 and is a Rising Star Nominee for asialaw rankings in 2024.

He has been invited to panel discussions to share key insights on the dispute resolution scene, including arbitration and mediation, as well as topics on technology and A.I. adoption in businesses.

Theodore speaks English, Mandarin and Vietnamese. He regularly advises clients in China, India, Indonesia, Hong Kong and the South-East Asia region.

Blockchain Company

Advised blockchain technology company on IP transfers and licensing agreements, service and maintenance agreements as part of group restructuring process.

Cordlife Cord Blood Banking Crisis

Representing class of affected families against private cord blood bank Cordlife following temperature excursions in multiple cryogenic storage tanks and a dry shipper that resulted in irreversible damage to customers' cord blood units. An estimated 21,000 cord blood units are reported to be affected.

Credit Suisse Collapse Crisis

Representing Singapore's largest class of investors in international investment law claim arising from the 2023 decision of Swiss financial regulator FINMA to wipe out USD18 billion of Credit Suisse AT1 bond amidst Swiss banking crisis.

Energy Project Dispute

Acted on the instructions of Boustead Singapore Limited to preserve valuable assets in a multi-million dispute arising out of coal-fired power stations in Indonesia against Indonesian state-owned energy company PT Perusahaan Listrik Negara.

Food Technology Company

Represented sustainable food production technology company in restructuring and IP ownership negotiations with JV partners following the client's decision to exit the JV.

Gaming Company Shareholder Dispute

Represented class of shareholders in gaming company in dispute for USD350 million in losses in shareholder value arising from minority shareholder oppression.

Global Decentralised-Finance Crisis

Representing class of claimants following the 2022 global crypto currency collapse, dubbed the 'Lehman Brothers moment' in the decentralised finance world that wiped more than USD2 trillion in value from the market.

Green Technology

Advised a leading APAC ESG engineering company on protections around newly developed green building material technology and other IP.

Investment Dispute

Represented leading APAC ESG engineering company in a cross-border dispute arising from the client's plan to list on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange to raise more than HK\$200 million in funds for its global expansion plans.

Janesh s/o Rajkumar v Unknown Person ("CHEFPIERRE")

Successfully obtained first-of-its-kind worldwide proprietary injunction to freeze a non-fungible token on the blockchain in a commercial dispute, with permission of Singapore Court to effect service of court documents against individual hiding behind online persona through social media accounts and blockchain wallet. (Janesh s/o Rajkumar v Unknown Person ("CHEFPIERRE") [2022] SGHC 264).

Mixed-Development Construction Dispute

Representing construction consultant in dispute with regional developer concerning large scale mixed-use commercial development for payment of SGD30million fees following derailment of Singapore-Johor highspeed rail project and development plans in the region.

Multi-Million Dollar Energy ICC International Arbitration

Represented engineering conglomerate in ICC arbitration and emergency arbitration proceedings, against an Indonesian state-owned enterprise concerning multi-million dollar Engineering, Procurement and Construction contract.

SIAC Arbitration re Artificial Intelligence

Representing digital assets marketplace in SIAC arbitration involving novel issues around the limits of legality of algorithm/A.I. trading where technology deployed exploited vulnerabilities in trading system against market maker.

SIAC Arbitration re Decentralised-Finance Company

Successfully represented leading digital assets company in arbitration dispute over USD 30 million involving issues of legal liability arising from purported errors made by proprietary trading systems.

SIAC Arbitration re Investment Bank

Representing investment bank in SIAC arbitration in profit-sharing dispute with Shanghai based partner.

External publications

Theodore, together with [Shaun Leong](#), co-wrote the Singapore chapter on "Force Majeure and Hardship in the Asia-Pacific Region" (2021, JURIS Legal Information).

Admissions

Supreme Court of Singapore, 2018

Education

National University of Singapore, LL.B (Hons)

National University of Singapore - Graduate Certificate in International Arbitration

Languages

English

Chinese (Mandarin)

Memberships

Law Society of Singapore

Singapore Academy of Law

Singapore Institute of Arbitrators (MSI Arb)

Key dates

Year joined: 2018

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