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Overview

Lee Kee Min is a Partner in Dentons Rodyk's Finance practice group.

Kee Min graduated from the National University of Singapore in 2008. He was admitted to the Singapore Bar as an Advocate and Solicitor in 2009.

Kee Min's main areas of practice focus on banking and finance transactions.

Kee Min deals in a wide scope of banking and finance matters and represents both financiers and borrowers in bilateral, club, syndicated, transferable, domestic and cross-border finance transactions. He has also handled real estate transactions involving financing of acquisitions and developments of residential, commercial and industrial real estate projects.

His work involves advising, reviewing, negotiation and drafting loan and security related documents including facility and credit agreements, security documentation such as assignments, charges, debentures, mortgages, deeds of subordination, deeds of undertaking, guarantees and indemnities, inter-creditor deeds and security trust deeds.

In the course of his practice, Kee Min has worked regularly with major banks and financial institutions and has undertaken the preparation and review of loan and security documents for banks and financial institutions.

Kee Min's experience in banking and finance extends to handling cross-border transactions where he regularly reviews transaction documents in matters involving a Singapore nexus. He also provides legal opinions in such cross-border transactions.

Experience

- **Various clients:** Acting as Singapore counsel for China Development Bank Corporation and Bank of China Limited, in their capacity as mandated lead arrangers, Bank of China Limited, Sydney Branch as agent and security trustee, and China Development Bank Corporation and Bank of China Limited as lenders in the grant of a US\$751 million syndicated loan facility in the refinancing of the existing debt substitution and term loan facilities under the China Minmetals Corporation group of companies, a China-based metals and minerals group developing, supplying and distributing nonferrous metal resources, iron ore and steel products.

- **Various clients:** Acting as Singapore counsel to a group of banks comprising ING Bank N.V., J.P. Morgan Limited, J.P. Morgan Securities plc, BNP Paribas, Unicredit Bank AG, Société Générale CIB, HSBC France and HSBC BANK PLC, as arrangers and/or initial lenders in the financing of a pre-conditional voluntary general cash offer by CMA CGM S.A., a French shipping company for all the issued and paid up ordinary shares in the capital of Neptune Orient Lines Limited (NOL), Southeast Asia's largest container shipping company, subject to the satisfaction of the pre-conditions specified in such announcement. The deal value of this transaction amounts to nearly S\$3.4 billion.
- **DBS Bank:** Acting in its grant of a S\$300 million multi-currency sustainability-linked loan to CapitaLand. The five-year term loan and revolving credit facility is the first and largest sustainability-linked loan in Asia's real estate sector.
- **Confidential client:** Acting for a bank in its various capacities as agent, security agent, arranger, original lender and account bank, in the grant of credit facilities to Grand Apex Holdings Pte Ltd, to part-finance the acquisition of all the issued and paid-up ordinary shares in Popular Holdings Limited through the voluntary conditional cash offer.
- **Plaza Ventures Pte Ltd (owned by GSH Properties Pte Ltd):** Acting for a wholly-owned subsidiary of GSH Corporation Limited, TYJ Group Pte Ltd, and Vibrant DB2 Pte Ltd, in its capacity as borrower in the multi-million syndicated facilities comprising land and construction loans to finance the land acquisition and proposed additions and alterations of the property known as Equity Plaza at 20 Cecil Street, Singapore.
- **Confidential client:** Acting for a bank, as lender, in loan facilities comprising a land loan, differential premium loan, construction loan and working capital loan of an aggregate principal amount of approximately S\$240 million, granted to a Singapore borrower to finance the acquisition and development of an executive condominium project in Singapore.
- **Confidential client:** Acting for a subsidiary of a publicly listed property developer in the grant of facilities of up to S\$500 million from a syndicate of four banks to refinance existing loan facilities and repay existing shareholder loans in the acquisition and development of a Grade A commercial building.

Recognition

- *IFLR1000*: Recognized as a Notable Practitioner for Banking and Finance, 2019 - 2020

Activities and Affiliations

Memberships

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

Prior and Present Employment

- Partner, Dentons Rodyk & Davidson LLP (formerly Rodyk & Davidson LLP) (2009 - present)

Areas of focus

Practices

- Banking and Finance
- Finance

Education

- National University of Singapore, 2008, LLB (Hons)

Admissions and qualifications

- Advocate & Solicitor, Singapore, 2009