Eugene Lai

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Eugene has over 25 years of experience in advising clients on legal aspects of their foreign investments and business operations within China. Clients highly value his commercial approach and responsiveness in offering tactful and pragmatic solutions. Mr. Lai is currently a practicing solicitor in Hong Kong.

Eugene advises multi-national corporations, private equity funds, banks and securities companies on their direct investments, joint ventures, disposals and restructurings as well as mergers and acquisitions in China. Legal services provided include, but not limited to, company secretarial services in respect of M&A projects, real-estate projects, recovering property and possession, compulsory sale, compliance to Listing Rules, bond and warrant issuance as well as tenancy matters.

He has also represented PRC state-owned and private enterprises on setting up their overseas businesses, pre-listing restructurings, listings, financing, out-bound mergers and acquisitions, as well as debt restructuring and international tax planning. He has particular experience representing clients on in-bound or out-bound investments in a wide range of business sectors such as energy, oil and gas, financial institutions, real estate, financial technology, mining, IT, logistics, construction and construction materials, distribution manufacturing, and retail infrastructure projects.

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