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ABOUT HAMZA

Hamza graduated with a Juris Doctor (JD) from the Singapore Management University (SMU) in 2017. He was the recipient of the Peggy Phang Prize for the Top Student in Legal Theory and Philosophy.

Hamza has a strong interest in both civil and criminal litigation. He is passionate about helping his clients through his legal knowledge and love of the law. In addition to his JD, Hamza holds an MA (Distinction) in International Political Economy from King's College London and BA (Second Class Honours, Upper) in English Literature and Modern History from the University of St Andrews. His strong academic background have equipped him with the critical thinking and communication skills to be an effective advocate.

When he is not in the office, Hamza is an avid reader of books on politics and current affairs, and enjoys following sports. His wider interest in the world around him feeds into his love of the law and the way it enables him to help people from all walks of life.

Matters of significance in which Hamza has assisted include:-

Civil and commercial disputes

- HC/S 1060/2015: acting for the plaintiffs in an ongoing marathon dispute against an Indonesian bank and a Japanese financial services company. I have assisted on numerous interlocutory matters, including (i) successfully resisting a garnishee application; (ii) preparing a complex specific discovery application; and (iii) contesting a summons to determine who had authority to act on behalf of one of the plaintiffs.
- **HC/S 507/2019**: Acting for the Plaintiff who was employee of a large bank and is bringing a case of wrongful dismissal against his former employer.
- **Arbitration**: Acting for a company in an ongoing dispute arising out of an oil and gas joint operating agreement. The total value of the claims amount to over US\$100million.
- **HC/S** 184/2019: Acted for the Defendant in a personal injury claim worth \$1million. Successfully struck out the plaintiff's multiple claims, including claims in harassment and negligence, against the Defendant.
- DC/DC 2249/2018: Acted for the Defendant in their dispute regarding a commercial tenancy
 agreement. Have successfully resisted a summary judgment application by the Plaintiff
 against our client by arguing that the Defendant had shown that there were sufficient issues
 to warrant a full hearing at trial.
- HC/S 514/2018: Acting for the Plaintiff in a case of commercial conspiracy arising out of an oil and gas dispute. This cross-border case involves issues of the existence and exercise of jurisdiction by the Singapore courts, as well as the issue of a case management stay due to parallel arbitration.
- **HC/OSB 63/2019 and HC/OSB 64/2019**: Acting for the Applicants who are seeking to set aside bankruptcy orders made against them.
- HC/S 1305/2016: Acting for the Defendant and Third Party in a commercial dispute involving a public listed company, a private company and issues relating to directors' duties and transfers of funds.

Criminal and public interest litigation

- Yuen Ye Ming v Public Prosecutor: Acting for Applicant in his criminal motion to the Court of Appeal to contest his conviction under the enhanced sentencing provisions of the Misuse of Drugs Act (Cap. 185, Rev Ed. 2008).
- Public Prosecutor v Boh Soon Ho: Defending the accused in his charge under Section 300(c) of the Penal Code. The matter is set for trial.

Hamza's Professional Engagements include:-

• Speaker for a webinar on "Expedited Procedure Under the SIAC Rules for Conducting Arbitration in Singapore" for a law firm in Cambodia

Hamza's publications include:-

• "Can an Employer Summarily Terminate an Employee's Employment for Breaches of His or Her Employment Contract, Whilst the Employee is Whistleblowing?" Eugene Thuraisingam LLP publication, February 2022