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Qualifications

LL.B (Hons), University of London
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Advocate & Solicitor, High Court of Malaya
Languages

English, Malay, Cantonese

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ABOUT EU JOHN

Eu John focuses on public and private M&A, joint ventures, reorganisations, regulatory, and general corporate advisory matters. He has worked on transactions which straddled across industries specifically education, oil and gas, manufacturing, retail, telecommunication and property.

EXPERIENCE

On the merger and acquisition and restructuring front, his notable involvement in deals include:

- Advised Saudi Aramco (through White & Case, an instructing counsel), in its investment and joint venture with Petroliam Nasional Berhad (Petronas) in the Refinery and Petrochemicals Integrated Development (RAPID) project in the southern Malaysia state of Johor. The total estimated value of the investment by Saudi Aramco is US\$7 billion.
- Acted as the Malaysian counsel for Laureate Education, Inc., (a company listed on the NASDAQ stock market) (through DLA Piper, as the instructing counsel) in its sale of INTI Education Holdings Sdn. Bhd. and its subsidiaries to HOPE Education Group (Hong Kong) Company Limited (a whollyowned subsidiary of HKEX-listed Hope Education Group Co., Ltd) at a transaction value of USD140 million, which includes USD14million payable to a minority equity shareholder.
- Advised United Malacca Berhad in the sale of 4 plantation estates located in Melaka and Negeri Sembilan measuring approximately 1,021.06 hectares to the Huat Lai Group of Companies for RM175.15million.
- Advised Nippon Telegraph and Telephone Corporation (NTT) in connection with its Malaysian subsidiary during NTT's restructuring and integrating 28 of its subsidiary companies, including NTT Communications, South Africa-based Dimension Data and NTT Security, into one USD11 billion business called NTT Ltd.
- Advised Kadokawa Corporation, Japan (leading entertainment content provider in Japan) it its acquisition of an 80% stake in Malaysian Art Square Group (ASG) company, namely Gala Unggul Resources Sdn. Bhd., through its Hong Kong subsidiary, KADOKAWA Holdings Asia Limited (KHA). ASG is a leading publisher of comics and children's books in Malaysia, best known for its GEMPAK STARZ brand label.
- Advised Toyota Tsusho Corporation (and its JV partner) in their setting up of an aircraft parts surface treatment facility in Selangor, Malaysia. Asahi Aero Malaysia Sdn. Bhd. was set up in March 2015 to undertake this venture.

- Advised Vista Laser Eye Center on joining the Qualitas Health Integrated Network in 2022.
- Acted for the shareholders of The Inside Scoop Sdn. Bhd. (TISSB) for the divestment of 53% shares and fresh issuance of 12% shares in TISSB to Farm Fresh Berhad in 2023.

ACCOLADES

The Legal 500 Asia-Pacific (2023)

"Rising Star" in Corporate/M&A

IFLR1000 (2023)

"Excellent responsiveness, legal drafting, legal advice."

APPOINTMENTS/MEMBERSHIPS

- Member, Malaysian Bar
- Member, International Bar Association (IBA)

PUBLICATIONS

- Contributed to the World Bank, Doing Business 2020 Protecting Minority Investors Malaysia,
 17th Edition
- Contributed to the World Bank, Doing Business 2019 Protecting Minority Investors Malaysia, 16th Edition