

# PROFILE

**Partner**

Intellectual Property  
Healthcare and Life Sciences  
Co-Head, Technology, Media & Telco  
Personal Data Protection & Privacy Laws

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**Qualifications**

B.Sc. and LL.B, Monash University, Australia  
Barrister & Solicitor, Supreme Court of Victoria, Australia (non-practising)  
Advocate & Solicitor, High Court of Malaya  
Registered Patent, Trademark and Industrial Design Agent, Malaysia

**Languages**

English, Malay

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## TIMOTHY SIAW

### ABOUT TIMOTHY

**Timothy Siaw** is an Intellectual Property and Technology lawyer and patent agent with over 30 years of experience. Holding a double degree in Science and Law from Monash University, Australia, Timothy has in-depth experience across the full spectrum of IP and Technology laws.

## EXPERIENCE

### Intellectual Property

Timothy has a distinguished record of filing and prosecuting thousands of patent applications across diverse industries, with a particular focus on pharmaceuticals and life sciences since 1992. He had litigated Standard Essential Patent(s) and advised pharmaceutical patent owners on the issuance of compulsory government use licences of their patents. Timothy was a past lecturer for the Malaysian Patent Agent Examination Board and his areas of practice include:

#### Patent Litigation & Strategy

- Acting as lead counsel in patent infringement/invalidation and declaration of non-infringement court proceedings up to the appellate courts.
- Rendering freedom-to-operate and infringement opinions.
- Developing non-infringement or invalidity positions and legal challenges.
- Conducting patentability searches, drafting and filing patent applications for universities and research centres.

### Trademark & Brand Protection

- Managing global trademark portfolios for Fortune 500 companies spanning 120+ jurisdictions.
- Implementing cohesive IP strategies to streamline operations, reduce costs and mitigate risks in global markets.
- Offering strategic advice on brand development, licensing, and enforcement.
- Litigating trademark infringement, trademark cancellation and passing-off cases.
- Tackling online/offline infringement and combatting counterfeiting through coordinated actions, including raids and customs interventions.

### Copyright & Industrial Design

- Enforcing copyright in design drawings up to Malaysia's Federal Court.
- Advising on the interplay of copyright and other IP protection, particularly in technology, gaming, media, and entertainment.
- Advising on industrial designs and copyright protection and securing international registrations via the Hague Agreement.

### Trade Secrets & Breach of Confidence

- Drafting confidentiality agreements and representing clients in misappropriation and breach of confidence cases.
- Assisting businesses safeguard their proprietary information.

### Corporate IP & Due Diligence

- Collaborating with R&D teams to align IP strategies with business goals.
- Advising on and conducted detailed IP due diligence for M&A transactions, investment opportunities, and licensing deals.
- Structuring and negotiating IP licensing agreements that align with business goals.
- Advising on and drafting franchise agreements.

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### Technology, Media, and Telecommunications

Timothy is a trusted advisor on legal and regulatory issues concerning emerging technologies -including artificial intelligence, data privacy, and cybersecurity.

### **Technology and IT Agreements**

- Drafting, reviewing, and negotiating IT service agreements, software development and licensing, cloud computing contracts, and technology transfer and outsourcing arrangements.
- Advising, negotiating and drafting managed services agreements including master service agreements (MSAs) and service-level agreements (SLAs) to align with business objectives.
- Advising on intellectual property rights, indemnities, and liability clauses in technology transactions.

### **Data Protection and Security**

- Providing strategic guidance on compliance with Malaysian and global and regional privacy laws and frameworks.
- Assisting organisations in developing privacy policies, data-sharing agreements, and governance frameworks.
- Advising on cybersecurity risk management, incident response protocols, and regulatory reporting obligations.

### **Artificial Intelligence (AI)**

- Advising on the legal implications of developing, deploying, and using AI systems, including algorithmic accountability and transparency.
- Assisting clients on AI-related intellectual property issues, data ethics, and regulatory compliance.
- Advising on emerging AI laws, regulations and standards, offering proactive advice to mitigate risks.

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### **Healthcare and Life Sciences**

With a technical background in biochemistry, Timothy has a deep understanding of the complex regulatory landscape and unique challenges faced by life sciences companies. He provides strategic legal counsel to clients operating in the pharmaceutical, biotechnology, medical device and healthcare sectors. His areas of practice include:

#### **Clinical Trials**

Advising on legal and regulatory aspects of clinical trial design, management, and compliance, ensuring adherence to Good Clinical Practice (GCP) standards and ethical guidelines.

#### **Data Exclusivity**

Advising on laws and policies related to data protection for innovative drugs, helping clients navigate exclusivity periods to safeguard intellectual property.

#### **Regulatory Compliance**

Guiding clients through complex regulations governing the importation, manufacturing, labelling, marketing and sale of foods, drugs, pesticides and medical devices.

#### **Agreements**

Advising and drafting of contract manufacturing, technical quality, equipment supply and related agreements.

Accolades For over 15 years, Timothy has been recognized by leading legal directories, including *Chambers Asia-Pacific*, *The Legal 500 Asia Pacific*, *Asialaw*, *Who's Who Legal*, *Client Choice* and *Euromoney's Life Sciences Expert Guide*, *IAM 1000*, *World Trademark Review*, *IAM Global Leaders*.

Clients and peers praise Timothy for his responsiveness, intelligence, and ability to handle complex and high stakes matters.

*"Very knowledgeable and quick to respond, Timothy is a trusted partner for urgent and strategic matters."* – *Asialaw Profiles*

*"A leading expert in IP, Timothy is known for his vast experience and deep knowledge."* – *Chambers Asia-Pacific*

## ACCOLADES

- **Asia IP Experts (2018, 2021 and 2023)**  
Best 50 "IP Expert" in Malaysia
- **Asialaw Leading Lawyers (2003 - 2013)**  
"Leading Lawyer" in Intellectual Property
- **Asialaw Leading Lawyers (2020 - 2023)**  
"Distinguished Practitioner" in Intellectual Property

*"Timothy is very attentive, provides a very clear explanation on queries and very knowledgeable in intellectual property. He is also quick to respond hence, we know we can count on him on urgent matters."* – *Asialaw Profiles 2020*

*"Tim is clearly a leading expert in the field of intellectual property, especially with respect to trademarks and patent law. He has admirably led his team to deliver quality and timely solutions for my organisation."* – *Asialaw Profiles 2020*

- **Chambers Asia-Pacific (2023 and 2024)**  
"Band 3" lawyer in Intellectual Property

A client stated that *"We have been very pleased with Timothy's service and he has been a very valuable partner for our business."* – *Chambers Asia Pacific 2024*

- **Chambers Asia-Pacific (2009 – 2014, 2017 - 2022)**  
Ranked Lawyer in Intellectual Property

He impresses clients, who note that *"he's very intelligent, can give you full appraisal of the situation, knows what he's doing and is very good at what he does."* - *Chambers Asia-Pacific 2014*

A client describes Timothy Siaw as *"very responsive"* and *"very knowledgeable about trade mark law in Malaysia."* - *Chambers Asia-Pacific 2017*

A client observes that *"he is very strong in the IP field because of his vast experience and deep knowledge."* - Chambers Asia-Pacific 2020

*"Quite but very effective, Timothy Siaw specializes in patent litigation."* - Chambers Asia-Pacific

*"Timothy Siaw wins praise for his rich expertise, which allows him to tackle highly complex and unprecedented matters."* - Chambers Asia-Pacific

*"Timothy Siaw has a broad practice with particular emphasis on patents and technology, corporate IP matters, licensing and life sciences. He also handles anti-competition work."* - Chambers Asia-Pacific

*"We are very happy with our continued commercial relationship with Tim. He offers excellent, practical legal advice."* - Chambers Asia-Pacific 2023

- **Global Law Experts Annual Awards (2022)**  
TMT Lawyer of the Year in Malaysia
- **Lexology: Client Choice Awards (2018 and 2021)**  
Individual Winner for Patents for Malaysia Jurisdiction
- **Expert Guides (2018 - 2020)**  
"Leading Practitioner" in Trademarks and Patents
- **IAM (2010)**  
World's Leading Life Sciences Patent Litigators
- **IAM (2020 - 2022)**  
"Global Leader" in Intellectual Property
- **IAM (2010)**  
World's Leading Life Sciences Patent Litigators
- **IAM Patent 1000 (2015 - 2017)**  
Ranked for Patent Litigation and Patent Prosecution
- **IAM Patent 1000 (2019 - 2022)**  
Ranked for Patent Litigation and Prosecution
- **IAM Patent 1000 (2023)**  
"Gold Individual" in Litigation  
"Highly Recommended Individual" in Prosecution
- **IAM Patent 1000 (2024)**  
"Gold Individual" in Litigation  
"Gold Individual" in Prosecution  
"Recommended Individual" in Transactions
- **MIP IP Stars (2018 - 2024)**  
"Patent Star" in Malaysia

- **MIP IP Stars (2020 - 2024)**  
“Trademark Star” in Malaysia
- **The Legal 500 Asia-Pacific (2016 - 2022)**  
“Recommended Lawyer” in TMT
- **The Legal 500 Asia-Pacific (2014 - 2019)**  
“Recommended Lawyer” in Intellectual Property

Timothy Siaw and ... are ‘very skilled and provide a personalised service’. - The Legal 500 Asia-Pacific 2014

‘Timothy is the go-to expert for intellectual property law – his self effacing demeanor makes him approachable and high contactable, where he counsels in a frank and honest manner.’ - The Legal 500 Asia-Pacific 2020

- **The Legal 500 Asia-Pacific (2020 - 2024)**  
“Leading Individual” in Intellectual Property

“Timothy is well-known to be very strong in the IP field because of his vast experience and deep knowledge. He is always ready to provide a very thorough and clear explanation to the queries that we have. Recently he has also provided commercialisation advice regarding licensing issues. I appreciate Timothy who provides free consultation when we need professional opinion and advice in licensing of the IP for patents which were filed. The advice provided is detailed and considers the risks and concerns involved for the organization.” - The Legal 500 Asia-Pacific 2022

- **Who’s Who Legal (2007 - 2018)**  
“Expert” in Trademarks
- **Who’s Who Legal (2019 - 2021)**  
“Global Leader” in Patents
- **Who’s Who Legal (2021 - 2023)**  
“National Leader (Southeast Asia)” in Patents
- **Who’s Who Legal (2022 and 2023)**  
“National Leader (Southeast Asia)” in Trademarks
- **World Trademark Review (2019 – 2022 and 2024)**  
“Silver Tier” in Enforcement and Litigation

“Timothy Saw is an authority on life sciences and patents with superb expertise in franchising and anti-counterfeiting.” – WTR 2020

“life sciences titan Timothy Siaw is an invaluable ally in trademark disputes.” – WTR 2022

- **Lexology Index – Southeast Asia Guide 2024**  
“Recommended” in Intellectual Property

## APPOINTMENTS/MEMBERSHIPS

### Intellectual Property

- International Federation of Intellectual Property Attorneys (FICPI) – Country Delegate (Alt), International Patent Matters Committee
- International Trademark Association (INTA) – Right of Publicity, Digital Asia, Parallel Import, Internet, Emerging Issues and many other past Committees
- Asian Patent Attorneys Association – Member
- International Association for the Protection of Intellectual Property (AIPPI) - Member

### TMT

- International Technology Law Association (ITechLaw) – Cybercrime, Data Protection and Interactive Entertainment Committees
- Licensing Executives Society Malaysia – Member

## PUBLICATIONS

Timothy's thought leadership is reflected in numerous influential publications, such as:

### Intellectual Property

- *Trademark Country Guide – Malaysia* (INTA, 2014–2024)
- *Atkin's Court Forms Malaysia – Patents, Trademarks, Copyright, Industrial Designs*
- *LexisNexis Annotations to Malaysian IP Laws*
- *Malaysian Precedents & Forms for Patents, Trademark, Copyright and Industrial Designs*
- *Chambers Guide to Patent Litigation – Malaysia*
- *Patent Litigation – The European Lawyer Reference*
- *International Comparative Legal Guide to Patents – Malaysia*

### TMT

- *International Comparative Legal Guide to Fintech* (2017–2025)
- *International Comparative Legal Guide - Cybersecurity 2025*
- *International Comparative Legal Guide – Telecoms, Media and Internet*
- *Asia Video Industry Association Policies in Asia* (2015–2025)

### Life Sciences

- *Chambers Global Guide – Life Sciences*
- *Thomson Reuters Practical Law Global - IP Protection for Pharmaceuticals (Malaysia)*