



ONG JOHNSON

PARTNER

Ong Johnson heads the Technology Group, concentrating his expertise on high-stakes and complex litigation and transactional cases spanning Technology, Media, and Telecommunications (TMT), Intellectual Property (IP), Privacy, Fintech, and Digital Transformation Infrastructure and Projects.

Ong Johnson is distinguished by an exceptional wealth of experience, adeptly navigating high-profile roles advising directors, board members, C-suite executives, and senior management within public-listed companies and conglomerates. His extensive professional repertoire extends beyond corporate spheres, involving regular interactions with government representatives, investors, and high-ranking government officers. This broad exposure equips him with a profound understanding of business imperatives, allowing him to deliver highly pragmatic legal solutions aligned with clients' broader objectives, ensuring a nuanced and comprehensive approach to addressing a spectrum of complex needs.


Ong Johnson has extensive experience conducting trials and hearings at all levels of court in Malaysia, positioning him as a dispute resolution strategist and a highly sought-after litigator within the industry, given his innovative thinking and meticulous approach to developing strategies that transcend conventional boundaries. His reputation as a thought leader in the legal realm is also underscored by his frequent invitations as a panel speaker to various forums and roundtable discussions. His expertise is not only recognized within legal circles but extends to broader industry discussions, solidifying his status as a prominent figure in the field of dispute resolution and strategic legal thinking.


In addition to his core areas of expertise, Ong Johnson boasts industrial proficiency in property development, real estate, and property investment. His insight spans hotels and data centers, smart cities, ESG, renewable energy, software development, data privacy, telecommunications and digital infrastructure, blockchain and digital assets, fintech, competition law, software commercialization and acquisition, digital media, licensing, e-money, payment systems, and regulatory and compliance. His diverse knowledge base further establishes him as a comprehensive authority in navigating the complex landscape of modern business and technology.

His dedication to the legal profession has garnered significant recognition, exemplified by several prestigious awards and accolades. These include being featured in the GC Powerlist Malaysia 2023 and GC Powerlist Southeast Asia 2022. Noteworthy nominations as a finalist were achieved at the ALB Malaysia Law Awards 2019, ALB Malaysia Law Awards 2020, ALB South East Asia Law Awards 2020, ALB Malaysia Law Awards 2023, and ALB South East Asia Law Awards 2023, and Ong Johnson is one of the youngest lawyers in history to be awarded as the winner of the ALB Malaysia Law Awards 2021.

Ong Johnson, in addition to his extensive legal expertise, is also a distinguished scholar. He graduated from the University of Liverpool with First Class honors, showcasing his commitment to academic excellence. His academic achievements have been further recognized through multiple scholarships and accolades, and he is a recipient of the University of Liverpool Scholarship, Liverpool Direct Entry Award, BAC Scholarship Award, Dean List Award, and Merit Award for Outstanding Scholastic Achievement.

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PRACTICE AREAS

- Transactions and Dispute Resolution
- Technology, Media & Telecommunications
- Intellectual Property
- Fintech
- Privacy and Cybersecurity

QUALIFICATIONS

- Advocate and Solicitor, High Court of Malaya
- Bachelor of Laws (LLB), University of Liverpool, First Class Honours

LANGUAGES


- English, Malay, Chinese




EXPERIENCE

- Spearheaded the successful launch of prominent luxury developments, including DoubleTree by Hilton i-City, Mercu Maybank, and Wyndham Suites Kuala Lumpur City Center. Oversaw all strategic transactions, negotiations, and agreements, showcasing adept leadership in high-profile projects.
- Represented and secured victory in complex arbitration case, enforcing substantial award against a real estate developer in Malaysia. Demonstrated prowess in navigating intricate legal landscapes and securing favorable outcomes for clients in high-stakes disputes.
- Advised and represented clients in negotiating pivotal transactional agreements, encompassing NDAs, terms sheets, service provider agreements, management agreements, sale and purchase agreements, tenancy agreements, agency agreements, franchise agreements, and other ancillary contracts. Proven versatility in facilitating diverse business dealings.
- Advised and represented clients in all levels of Malaysian courts, strategically representing clients in complex and high-value dispute resolution matters. Successfully advised and handled agency disputes, CIPAA cases, construction extensions, shareholder disputes, winding-up proceedings, commercial disputes, breach of confidential information, enforcement of arbitration awards, debt recovery, and injunctions.
- Provided expert counsel on corporate and commercial matters, showcasing proficiency in drafting, negotiating, and reviewing transaction documents. Specialized in providing advice and insights relating to data centers, smart cities, ESG, renewable energy, software development, data privacy, telecommunications and digital infrastructure, blockchain and digital assets, fintech, competition law, software commercialization and acquisition, digital media, licensing, e-money, payment systems, and regulatory and compliance.

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ACCOLADES

Legal 500 | 2023

Inclusion in GC Powerlist Malaysia 2023

ALB South East Asia Law Awards | 2023

Finalist for In-House Lawyer of the Year

ALB Malaysia Law Awards | 2023

Finalist for In-House Lawyer of the Year

Legal 500 | 2022

Inclusion in GC Powerlist Southeast Asia 2022

ALB Malaysia Law Awards | 2021

Winner of Young Lawyer of the Year (In-House)

ALB South East Asia Law Awards | 2020

Finalist for the Young Lawyer of the Year

ALB Malaysia Law Awards | 2020


Finalist for the Young Lawyer of the Year


ALB Malaysia Law Awards | 2019

Finalists for the Young Lawyer Of The Year



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