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Qualifications

- Advocate and Solicitor, High Court of Malaya (2020)
- Certificate of Legal Practice (2019)
- Bachelor of Laws (Honours), University of London (2018)

Languages

- English
- Malay
- Chinese



Chew is a litigator with a strong background in construction, real estate, corporate and family disputes. His career experience includes representing various notable and established property developers, multinational corporations, government-linked companies, corporate entities and individuals in adjudication and arbitration proceedings, as well as all levels of the Malaysian judiciary.

Chew specialises in complex construction and real estate disputes, with extensive experience in all aspects of construction law and practice in Malaysia. He has advised and represented local and foreign clients across a wide range of disputes in real estate, construction and infrastructure projects. He is also experienced in resolving and handling commercial and corporate disputes, representing various companies and individuals in the Malaysian Civil Courts. His specialisation also includes injunctions, notably Mareva, prohibitory, and mandatory injunctions, and he is proficient in representing clients in urgent and complex applications.

In addition to litigation, Chew also provides advisory support for real estate, construction and infrastructure projects, handling matters such as document review, contract drafting, procurement strategies, project risk management, and dispute avoidance. Chew has worked on various advisory projects, handling complex legal challenges and assisting esteemed clients with effective solutions.

Experience

- Represented a public listed company in the High Court and successfully obtained a Mareva injunction on behalf of to prevent an opposing party from dissipating assets prior to trial.
- Represented various housing developers against claims from purchasers for additional liquidated damages in relation to the Housing Development Act 1966.
- Advised and represented various developers and construction companies in adjudication proceedings under CIPAA 2012.
- Represented the administratrix and beneficiary of an estate in an appeal against the imposition of stamp duty by the Inland Revenue Board, in the High Court and Court of Appeal.
- Represented a Malaysian based company in an arbitration claim against one of Singapore's largest construction companies arising from the delay in the completion of a residential development in Singapore.
- Represented a renowned housing developer for the setting aside of an arbitration award in the Court of Appeal and Federal Court.
- Represented the co-proprietors of a property in Pudu for the termination of co-proprietorship in the Court of Appeal and Federal Court.
- Represented a developer in defending against a personal injury claim from individuals arising from the collapse of a link bridge under construction in a mixed-use development project in Kuala Lumpur.
- Represented one of Malaysia's largest asset management and infrastructure solutions company in defending against a claim for breach of contract.

Practice Areas

- Construction Disputes
- Real Estate & Property Disputes
- Corporate & Shareholder Disputes
- Family & Probate

- Advised and represented a developer to oppose an injunction filed by a contractor to restrain the developer from making a demand on a performance bond.
- Advised and represented a public listed company to claim for additional compensation due to the acquisition of their underwater land in Johor Bahru for the JB – Singapore RTS Link Project.
- Represented the landowners of several plots of land in Petaling Jaya in their claim for additional compensation due to the compulsory acquisition of their land for the LRT3 Project, in the High Court.
- Represented a property holding company in a claim against the company secretary for breach of duty, in the High Court.
- Advised and represented clients in seeking a declaration of citizenship in the High Court and Court of Appeal and subsequently the reference of constitutional questions to the Federal Court.
- Advised and represented clients for the variation of divorce orders in the High Court and Court of Appeal.
- Advised and represented clients for the application and resealing of grants of representation.
- Represented and assisted parents in the adoption of children

Publications

- (Section 30 CIPAA 2012) Overview of Authorities on Direct Payment from Principal (Chambers and Partners) 5 November 2024
- Court of Appeal: Credit Reporting Agencies Are Authorised to Formulate Credit Score (Chambers and Partners) 11 September 2024
- Federal Court: Half-Truths that Harm the Reputation of a Person are Defamatory (Chambers and Partners) 2 August 2024
- Cause Papers for Matrimonial Proceedings May Be Filed in the English Language Only (Chambers and Partners) 12 Jun 2024
- (Section 35 of CIPAA 2012) Overview of Authorities on Conditional Payment (Chambers and Partners) 29 April 2024
- Land Reference Proceedings: Written Opinions of Assessors Must Be Made Available to the Parties (Chambers and Partners) 26 April 2024
- Failure to Plead the Relevant Contractual Clause in Adjudication Proceedings (CIPAA 2012) (Chambers and Partners) 20 March 2024
- Federal Court rejects Purchaser’s leave application to appeal on issue of “ready for connection” (Chambers and Partners) 5 March 2024
- Guide to Compulsory Land Acquisition in Malaysia (Chambers and Partners) 28 February 2024
- “Garnishee Order to Show Cause” Does Not Affect / Freeze Monies Paid After Service of Order (Chambers and Partners) 28 February 2024
- Landowners Are Not Entitled To Compensation For Illegally Constructed Buildings (Chambers and Partners) 29 January 2024
- Federal Court Upholds Constitutionality of “Pay First, Dispute Later” (Chambers and Partners) 2 January 2024
- Key Amendments to Restructuring and Insolvency (Chambers and Partners) 20 December 2023
- Courts Will Not Assist “Unlicensed Moneylender” In The Recovery Of Interest & Principal Loan Amount (Chambers and Partners) 13 December 2023
- Federal Court: Financial Institutions Do Not Owe Duty of Care to Non-Customers (Chambers and Partners) 16 October 2023
- Developers Must Provide Supply of Electricity & Water During Delivery of Vacant Possession (Chambers and Partners) 7 June 2023

Reported Case

- Tan Nyok Chin (as administrator and beneficiary for the estate of Yong An Yee @ Yong Soo Teck, deceased) v Pemungut Duti Setem [2024] 11 MLJ 355 ; [2024] 7 CLJ 486
- Sarawak Consolidated Industries Bhd v Dynamic Prestige Consultancy Sdn Bhd [2024] MLJU 1027 ; [2024] CLJU 933
- P W Textile Manufacturing Sdn Bhd v Messrs Gan Teik Chee & Ho (Sued as a Firm) [2024] MLJU 3645 ; [2024] CLJU 321
- Bintai Gemilang Petroleum Engineering Sdn Bhd v Magnalogic Sdn Bhd [2025] MLJU 694

Membership

- Member, Malaysian Bar