


# Yap Cheng Yah

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## Qualifications

- Advocate and Solicitor, High Court of Malaya (2014)
- Bachelor of Laws (Honours), Monash University (2012)

## Languages

- English
- Malay
- Chinese



Cheng Yah is a partner based in our Kuala Lumpur office where her main area of practice is capital markets, corporate and commercial.

Prior to joining HHQ, she was the head of legal of a wealth management company and responsible to develop legal frameworks and legal documentation for the Malaysia businesses such as fund establishments and key strategic initiative.

Her areas of practice during her legal practice include capital markets, investment funds and corporate mergers and acquisition. She has been involved in initial public offerings (IPOs), equity and debt securities offerings, funds and collective investment scheme formation and other general corporate exercises. She has experience advising a wide range of clients, including financial institutions, foreign asset managers, private limited companies, investment corporations and institutional investors.

## Practice Areas

- Capital Markets
- Corporate and Commercials
- Investment Funds
- Private Wealth

## Experiences

- Advising a Malaysian public listed company engaging in manufacturer of car components in connection with its internal reorganisation and divestment of subsidiaries
- Advising as the Issuer counsel for a property developer on its proposed initial public offering and listing of shares on the LEAP Market of Bursa Securities
- Advising a Malaysian company involved in the food and beverage business on its internal restructuring exercise in connection with its planned future listing
- Advising a Singapore based food service provider on its proposed acquisition of entire share capital of a Malaysian frozen food and seafood distributor
- Advised Malaysian public listed companies in connection with their various corporate exercises and issuance of new securities including rights issue of warrants
- Advised on the cross-border internal restructuring of a group of companies specialising in offshore and onshore pipeline services
- Acted as the Issuer counsel and advised on the initial public offering and listing of shares of a retailer and distributor of baby products.
- Acted as the Issuer counsel and advised on the initial public offering and listing of shares of a manufacturer of consumer electronic products.
- Advised on several deals involving a wholly owned subsidiary of a statutory body which focused on investment in technology on various corporate exercises, investments and restructuring in respect of its investee company.
- Acted for the seller which is a subsidiary of a company listed on NYSE Euronext Paris, in relation to its tender for the disposal of 100% equity in a leading services and payments platform operator in Malaysia.
- Advised wholly owned private banking subsidiary of one of the Southeast Asia largest financial group on its acquisition of a Malaysian investment management company.

- Acted for a Singapore based steel provider in its acquisition of a wholly owned subsidiary of a Malaysian listed company.
- Advised a foreign asset manager on the passporting of its retail unit trust fund into Malaysia
- Advised a local fund manager for the establishment of a wholesale fund.

#### **Publications**

- Understanding Single Family Office Incentive in Malaysia (published in July 2025)
- Upholding Shareholder Democracy: Can a Director Be Deemed to Have Automatically Retired Without the Convening of a Shareholders' Meeting? (Co-authored with Sherzanne Lee in May 2025)