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QUALIFICATIONS:

- Attorney and Counselor-at-law, State of New York, 2009
- Advocate & Solicitor, Singapore, 2003

EDUCATION:

- LLB (Hons), National University of Singapore, 2002

LANGUAGES:

- English
- Mandarin

Summary

Ho Ying Ming practises in the areas of corporate and corporate finance, and he has extensive experience in domestic and cross-border mergers and acquisitions, complex corporate restructuring and reorganisations, as well as private equity investments. He has advised global private equity and venture capital firms, financial institutions, emerging growth companies, sovereign wealth funds and multinational corporates in an extensive range of corporate transactions, including public takeovers, private acquisitions and joint ventures.

Matter Experience

- Acted for Dymon Asia Private Equity ("DAPE") in relation to its investments in various companies, including:
  - Asia Facility Solutions Pte Ltd and its subsidiary, UE Managed Solutions Pte Ltd, an established market leader, providing facilities management services to the healthcare sector. SLB acted for both the initial investment as well as its subsequent disposal to UEM Edgenta Bhd for S$185.9 million in cash;
  - Asia Medical Enviro Services, Singapore's largest biohazardous and medical waste treatment services firm;
  - Chye Thiam Maintenance, one of Singapore's largest environmental services company which provides environmental cleaning, waste management and recycling services;
  - Newark Engineering Pte Ltd, a Singapore domiciled company specialising in the provision of integrated engineered cooling products and solutions for key customers in niche industries;
  - Nurture Education, a leading pre-school operator in Singapore;

    - RAM Lifting Technologies Pte. Ltd., a manufacturer of spreaders for the global ship container handling equipment market with a dominant market position in Asia; and
    - Amara Holdings, a Singapore-listed integrated lifestyle group engaged in hotel investment and management, property investment and development, and specialty restaurants and food services.
- Acted for management in TPG Capital Asia's acquisition of (1) Quest Laboratories and Gribbles Pathology, the Asia-based pathological laboratories businesses of Healthscope and (2) Innovative Diagnostics and Quantum Diagnostics, both Asia-based pathology laboratory service providers, to form Pathology Asia Holdings, a fully integrated healthcare organisation with operations across Southeast Asia;
- Acted for Lone Star Funds in the purchase of all of Saizen REIT's real-estate assets in Japan by its affiliate, TMK Triangle, for approximately JPY44.66 billion (S$517.3 million). Triangle TMK is a Japanese affiliate of Lone Star Real Estate Fund IV and Lone Star Funds. It is an unprecedented landmark sale of an entire portfolio by a Singapore-listed REIT;
- Acted for UBS AG, Singapore Branch, the financial adviser to the Bank of China Group Investment who is part of a consortium comprising Hillhouse Capital Group, HOPU Investment Management Group and Vanke Group in the private equity buyout scheme for Global Logistic Properties ("GLP") for approximately US$11.6 billion;
- Acted for UBS AG, Singapore Branch, the independent financial adviser to SGX-listed Asia Pacific Breweries Limited ("APB"), in relation to Heineken International B.V.'s (Heineken) US$6.4 billion takeover offer for APB. APB was privatised at the end of the transaction;
- Acted for SGX-listed United Envirotech Ltd on the pre-conditional voluntary takeover offer by a consortium comprising CITIC Environment (International) Company Ltd and KKR China Water Investment Holdings Ltd, which valued United Envirotech at approximately US$1.5 billion;
- Acted for AsiaPharm Holdings Ltd, the majority shareholder of Luye Pharmaceutical Investment Co Ltd, in the acquisition of Luye Pharma Group Ltd through (i) the acquisition of all the interests held by Hygeia Holdings Ltd (wholly-owned by MBK Partners, L.P.), and (ii) the voluntary unconditional cash offer for all the issued and paid-up ordinary shares in the capital of Luye Pharma Group Ltd. The initial Hygeia acquisition represents a rare secondary buyout transaction in China. The acquiring consortium includes three of China's largest private equity firms, being CDH Capital, CITIC Private Equity and New Horizon Capital;
- Advised Nestlé S.A. as Singapore counsel in its scheme takeover of SGX-listed Hsu Fu Chi International for S$2.1 billion. This was possibly the second-largest foreign acquisition of a mainland firm in 2011, which involved the first scheme of arrangement undertaken by a Cayman Islands incorporated company listed on the main board of the Singapore Exchange;
- Acted for Mitsui & Co., Ltd, one of Japan's biggest trading and investment companies, in its acquisition of an additional stake in PT Paiton Energy ("Paiton"), Asia's first-ever independent power project and one of the region's best known power assets. The cross-border transaction was part of a $1.5 billion sale by Engie, the world's largest power company, of its 40.5% stake in Paiton;
- Acted as Singapore counsel for SoftBank Vision Fund in its investments in various companies, including:
    - a) The US$800 million funding round led by Softbank Vision Fund, Lightspeed Venture Partners, Sequoia Capital and Greenoaks Capital on its investment in an Indian hotel chain; and

- b) Grofers International Pte Ltd, an express delivery online marketplace application in India;

- Acted for Heliconia Capital Management, Temasek's wholly owned investment firm, in its investments in various companies, including:
  - Asian Healthcare Specialists Limited, one of the largest orthopaedic medical groups in Singapore;
  - Carousell Pte Ltd, the leading classifieds group in Greater Southeast Asia;
  - Little Farms, a leading all-natural, fresh and whole foods retailer and F&B business in Singapore;
  - ONE Championship, one of Asia's largest sports media property;
  - RE&S Holdings Limited, a leading regional food service company, operating Japanese restaurants across a portfolio of 20 brands;
  - Secretlab, an award winning company that specialises in the creation, production and sale of its own line of gaming chairs;
  - the fintech arm of one of Southeast Asia's leading superapp; and
  - Wine Connection, the leading operator of wine shops and restaurants in Southeast Asia;
- Acted for RHB Capital Bhd as Singapore counsel in its acquisition of 100% equity interest in OSK Investment Bank Bhd from OSK Holdings Bhd for a purchase consideration of approximately RM1.95 billion (approximately US$637 million). This merged entity is possibly the largest stockbroking firm and investment bank by assets in Malaysia; and
- Acted as Singapore counsel to Digicel Group Limited, a leading provider of wireless communications services in the Caribbean, Central Amercia and Oceania regions, on the sale of its controlling 75% stake in Digicel Asian Holdings Pte Limited, the indirect parent of its Myanmar tower operations, to edotco Group Sdn Bhd, a subsidiary of the Axiata Group.

Accolades

Chambers Asia Pacific

- Ranked Individual in Corporate and M&A: Domestic (2022 – 2026)
- Ranked Individual in Startups & Emerging Companies (2024 – 2026)

Chambers Global

- Ranked Individual in Corporate and M&A: Domestic (2022 – 2026)

Legal 500 Asia Pacific

- Recommended Individual in Corporate and M&A: Local Firms (2021 – 2026)
- Recommended Individual in Start-Up and Venture Capital: Local Firms (2023 – 2026)
- Recommended Individual in TMT: Local Firms (2017 – 2026)

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- Notable Practitioner in M&A (2018 – 2025)
- Notable Practitioner in Private Equity (2018 – 2025)

Asialaw Profiles

- Distinguished Practitioner in Corporate and M&A (2014 – 2026)

Testimonials

Chambers Asia Pacific

- "Ying Ming is practical and consistently delivers clear and well-considered advice. He is hands-on and detail-oriented, with a strong grasp of both legal and commercial aspects of a deal." (2026)
- "Ying Ming is extremely commercial and is able to go straight to the core of issues. He works very well with entrepreneurs and PE firms." (2026)
- Ying Ming is commended for his "extreme attention to detail and a strong ability to dissect complex issues and is very commercially minded." He is praised for being "clear and focused on the issues, practical in his approach, and offers valuable advice and effective solutions." (2025)
- "Working with him has been a delightful experience and we appreciate the high-quality results he consistently delivers" (2024)
- "He actively participates in negotiations, ensuring top-notch outcomes" (2024)
- "I am impressed with his hands-on approach" and "Ho Ying Ming exhibits strong technical skills and a commercial mindfulness that I look for in lawyers." (2024)

Practice Areas:

- Corporate Commercial
- Mergers & Acquisitions
- Private Equity & Venture Capital

Sectors:

- Education
- Healthcare & Life Sciences