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QUALIFICATION:

- Advocate & Solicitor, Singapore, 1997

EDUCATION:

- LLB (Hons), National University of Singapore, 1995

LANGUAGES:

- English
- Mandarin

Summary

Liew Kai Zee has over 30 years of experience advising financial institutions and major corporates on a broad range of domestic and international financing, securitisation and debt restructuring. He has extensive experience in advising on syndicated lending, structured finance, leveraged buy-outs and acquisition finance, structured commodity and trade finance, Islamic finance, ESG finance, project finance, property development finance, vessel finance, REIT financing, cross-border finance, sale of debts, debt programmes, rated and unrated commercial mortgage backed securities and securitisation programmes.

Kai Zee also advises financial institutions on regulatory and compliance matters. In addition, he has represented bank and non-bank creditors, companies, regulators and insolvency practitioners in various consensual and non-consensual debt restructurings and insolvency matters in Singapore and the region. With the knowledge and experience which he has accumulated over the past three decades in his area of practice, Kai Zee is also the legal trainer for several banks in Singapore and the region.

Accolades

Chambers Global

- Ranked Individual in Banking and Finance: Domestic (2011 – 2026)

Chambers Asia Pacific

- Ranked Individual in Banking and Finance: Domestic (2011 – 2026)

Legal 500 Asia Pacific

- Hall of Fame in Banking and Finance: Local Firms (2020 – 2026)
- Leading Lawyer in Banking and Finance: Local Firms (2012 – 2019)

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- Highly Regarded Lawyer in Banking and Finance (2017 – 2025)
- Notable Practitioner in Banking and Finance (2014 – 2016)

Asialaw Profiles

- Elite Practitioner in Banking and Finance (2019 – 2025)

Asia Business Law Journal

- Ranked Lawyer in The A-List: Singapore's Top 100 Lawyers (2019, 2023 – 2026)

Testimonials

Chambers Global

- "Kai Zee is a very knowledgeable and experienced lawyer. He is approachable, friendly and helpful. He is always willing to share his industry expertise." (2026)
- "He is always responsive, gives good advice and always willing to help. He gives us the confidence to work with." (2026)

Chambers Asia Pacific

- "experienced and is a great leader". (2025)
- "very knowledgeable, responsive and always looking out for our risk." (2024)

Legal 500 Asia Pacific

- "We have been working with Liew Kai Zee for more than 20 years. He is exceptional in his support render to us. He is an expert in banking matters and provides very sound advice. He is very prompt in his support and contactable." (2026)
- "very knowledgeable, able to understand the issues that the client faces when approached," and "time is the essence, and he will respond even if past the working hours." (2025)
- "has an outstanding reputation in the market and is one of the most experienced banking and finance specialists in Singapore." (2024)

Practice Area:

- Banking & Finance