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QUALIFICATIONS:

- Advocate & Solicitor, Singapore, 2001
- Solicitor of England & Wales, 2003

EDUCATION:

- LLB (Hons), University of Bristol, 1999

LANGUAGES:

- English
- Mandarin

Summary

Stanley Lim is the firm's Head of the Banking and Finance Practice. He is Singapore and English law qualified and has over 20 years of extensive experience acting for financial institutions and major corporates in a wide and broad range of transactions such as local and international loan (syndicated, club and bilateral) and other debt related transactions including property development financing, collective sale financing, construction financing, structured finance, leveraged buy-outs and acquisition finance, structured commodity and trade finance, Islamic finance, ESG finance, project finance, vessel finance, REIT financing, funded sub-participations, assets-backed finance, corporate and debt restructuring and cross-border finance transactions.

Stanley has led numerous transactions with cross-border aspects in the region, including Singapore, Indonesia, Thailand, Malaysia, Japan, Hong Kong SAR and China. Stanley has also acted for banks and sponsors as Singapore counsel in project finance transactions in various sectors and in Public-Private-Partnership (PPP) projects in Singapore and other regions.

Matter Experience

- Acted for a syndicate of banks in respect of the refinancing of a S\$560 million property acquisition loan which is secured by a shopping mall in district 13 Singapore (Grantral Mall);
- Acted for United Overseas Bank in the extension of a S\$247 million term and revolving facilities, for the refinancing of property loans secured by mortgages over a hotel in Singapore's Downtown Core area as well as other commercial properties;

- Acted for United Overseas Bank in the syndicated financing of S\$429 million comprising of land and construction loans for the acquisition and development of a (Government Land Sales) land parcel at Lentor Gardens;
- Acted as Singapore counsel to Mizuho Bank, Ltd., Singapore Branch in the grant of JPY¥31.32 billion bridging loan facilities to an offshore fund for working capital and acquisition purposes;
- Acted for United Overseas Bank in the grant of S\$338 million facilities to finance the purchase of Changi City Point (5 Changi Business Park Central 1) from Frasers Centrepoint Trust;
- Acted for United Overseas Bank in the granting of acquisition and development loan facilities amounting to S\$141 million for a cold-chain food logistics facility jointly developed by Commonwealth Capital, Kokubu Group Corporation and Japanese construction firm Kajima Corporation
- Acted as Singapore counsel to a syndicate of banks in respect of the refinancing of a US\$217 million leveraged facility for the acquisition of a Singapore real estate developer company;
- Acted for a major Japanese bank in the restructuring of S\$188 million facilities granted to the Singapore subsidiary of a major Japanese developer for the land acquisition and development of a hotel in Peck Seah Street, Singapore;
- Acted for United Overseas Bank in the grant of S\$198 million facilities to finance a construction loan in respect of a Singapore entity's property in 15 Benoi Sector;
- Acted as Singapore counsel for a multinational conglomerate investment company in the financing to Oravel Stays Pte. Ltd. (the entity which owns and operates Oyo Hotels & Homes, the world's 6th biggest hotel brand by room numbers) (Oyo), for the acquisition of the Amsterdam based vacation rental company @Leisure Group for around €369.5million;
- Acted for Morgan Stanley Senior Funding, Inc. (as administrative agent) in relation to Singapore law in the extension of incremental term loans of an aggregate principal amount of US\$115 million to Hyperion Refinance S.à r.l. for funding future acquisitions, purchase minority interests, pay deferred consideration obligations or repay credit facilities;
- Acted as Singapore counsel to a syndicate of lenders in relation to facilities granted for the purpose of part financing the acquisition of a 26-storey Grade A office tower located in, North Point, Hong Kong by a fund owned by Gaw Capital Partners;
- Acted for a prominent private sector bank in India in respect of their US\$150 million bank guarantee facility to a globally leading gear equipment and solution supplier company based in Singapore for the purposes of their exports;
- Acted for DBS Bank in the grant of an acquisition loan to finance the purchase of VIP Hotel (5 Balmoral Crescent);
- Acted as counsel to Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation (SMBC) in the S\$188 million acquisition loan facilities granted by SMBC to a unit of Kajima Corporation for the acquisition of 24 Peck Seah Street;
- Acted for a major local bank in the grant of HK\$453.5 million loan facilities to finance PGIM's acquisition of Travelodge Central Hollywood Road;
- Acted for Bank of China Limited, Singapore Branch in financing the acquisition of Cogent Holdings Limited by COSCO SHIPPING International (Singapore) Co Ltd, via a voluntary general offer issued pursuant to the Singapore Code on Take-overs and Mergers;
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Acted for Oversea-Chinese Banking Corporation Limited, in part financing the purchase price and development costs of a Jurong Town Corporation (JTC) industrial site at Woodlands Avenue 12 Singapore, by Soon Hock Investment Group Pte Ltd;

- Acted as Singapore counsel to International Finance Corporation, a member of the World Bank Group, in relation to its investment in a US\$830 million greenfield ammonia plant in Sulawesi, Indonesia;
- Acted as Singapore counsel to Haitong International Securities Company Limited (Haitong) in relation to its financing of the acquisition of all ordinary shares of SGX-listed HTL International Holdings Limited by Ideal Homes International Limited (Ideal Homes). It was funded by the issuance of guaranteed senior secured notes by Ideal Homes to Haitong in an aggregate principal amount of HK\$1 billion and was effected by way of a privatisation and delisting scheme of arrangement under section 210 of the Companies Act (Cap. 50) of Singapore;
- Acted as lead counsel to a syndicate of lenders in the financing of the S\$560 million acquisition of the Straits Trading Building by SGX-listed MYP Ltd, which was funded through a combination of internal resources of the borrower, bank borrowings and/or fund raising in the capital markets;
- Acted for the lender as Singapore counsel in part financing the acquisition of The Stock Exchange, a Grade II property in Manchester, England;
- Acted as Singapore counsel for a syndicate of international lenders, with Natixis, Singapore Branch as mandated lead arranger and facility/security agent, in relation to the refinancing of Lewek Emas, a floating production storage and offloading unit, made pursuant to the acquisition by PetroFirst Infrastructure 2 Limited of 80% of the shares in PV Keez Pte Ltd from EMAS Offshore Production Services (Vietnam) Pte Ltd and Ezra Holdings Limited;
- Acted for the financial institution in its capacity as lender, agent and security agent in relation to the S\$500 million facilities (the Facilities) granted to a Singapore incorporated company (the SPV) for the acquisition of a commercial and retail property located within Singapore's prime shopping belt, Orchard Road for redevelopment into a mixed-use commercial development;
- Acted for a leading global financial institution in connection with the security package for the US\$750 million syndicated loan facility to finance the acquisition of a leading insurance and reinsurance broker with operations in the UK and internationally;
- Acted for a Singapore-based solar energy integrated manufacturing company in its capacity as a security provider in connection with the acquisition of its related company by one of the world's leading producers of silicon materials, silicones, foundry products and carbon;
- Acted as Singapore counsel for Perstorp Group, a Swedish specialty chemicals company, in relation to its senior and mezzanine debt refinancing through the US\$1.09 billion senior secured and second lien notes issue;
- Acted for Morgan Stanley Senior Funding, Inc. (as administrative agent) in relation to Singapore law in a US\$625 million incremental first-lien term loan to Hyperion Insurance Group Limited. The proceeds will be used to fund the acquisition of A-Plan Group, to repay borrowings under the company's revolving credit facility, to fund the locked-box account and to pay related fees and expenses;
- Acted for the syndicated lenders in connection with the provision of S\$600 million facilities to a business trust. The financing quantum of S\$600 million is one of the largest that year on an unsecured basis and involved a complex

financing structure with issues relating to shareholders, intercreditor, business trust and regulations;

- Acted as Singapore counsel for NXP B.V., NXP Semiconductors N.V., NXP Funding LLC (the borrowers) and NXP Semiconductors Singapore Pte Ltd (the guarantor and security provider) in relation to the €500 million secured revolving credit facility granted by, amongst others, Morgan Stanley Senior Funding, Inc., Barclays Bank PLC, Bank of America, N.A., London Branch and Deutsch Bank A., London Branch;
- Acted as Singapore counsel to Veloqx group, an investment holding group set up by Hong Kong property magnate Samuel Tak Lee, in its ¥17.8 billion bond issuance exercise, backed by OCBC Japan, for its V88 Building (De Beers Ginza Building) located in Tokyo Ginza's commercial hotspot, Marronnier street, via a Japanese tokutei mokuteki kasha structure;
- Acted for the arrangers and facility agent in the S\$837 million unsecured floating rate term loan facility granted to Mapletree Industrial Trust (MIT) to partially refinance existing bank loans in relation to MIT's initial public offering;
- Acted for DBS Bank Ltd as lender in relation to credit facilities to be granted in respect of the management buyout by a private equity and venture capital firm of a private company, which is one of the market leaders in the heavy lifting equipment business in Singapore; and
- Acted as Singapore counsel to Gammon Capital West Pte Limited (Gammon Capital) in relation to a public private partnership project (PPP Project) to design, build, finance and operate the proposed development of the new ITE College West.

Accolades

Chambers Global

- Ranked Individual in Banking and Finance (2012 – 2014, 2017 – 2026)

Chambers Asia Pacific

- Ranked Individual in Banking and Finance (2012 – 2014, 2017 – 2026)

Legal 500 Asia Pacific

- Leading Partner in Banking and Finance (2014 – 2026)

IFLR1000

- Highly Regarded in Banking and Finance (2019 – 2025)

Asialaw Profiles

- Distinguished Practitioner in Banking and Finance (2014 – 2025)

Asia Business Law Journal

- Ranked Lawyer in The A-List: Singapore's Top 100 Lawyers (2015, 2019, 2023 – 2026)

Lexology Index

- Index Thought Leader (Banking & Fintech – Finance) in Lexology Index Banking and Finetch (2026)
- Recommended Practitioner (Banking) in Lexology Index: Southeast Asia (2025)

Testimonials

Chambers Asia Pacific

- "Stanley is always able to help us understand potential legal consequences and implications, thereby enabling us to ringfence deals in a fair manner to achieve win-win outcomes." (2025)
- "not only is Stanley Lim very knowledgeable in various complex deal structures, thus able to provide very sound expert advice on both local and cross-border structures, but he has also nurtured a very competent and fast-working team that is able to meet tight deadlines." (2023)

Legal 500 Asia Pacific

- "Stanley Lim is very approachable and always ready to provide advice when it comes to legal matters pertaining to structuring of collaterals, ensuring that both client and bank's interest are not compromised." (2025)
- "bilateral and syndicated loans as well as project and asset finance are core areas of activity for Stanley Lim." (2023)

AsiaLaw Profiles

- "approachable and always available to give legal advice. Follows up closely on transactions and is always pre-emptive on any potential issues that may arise." (2023)

IFLR1000

- "approachable, thorough, knowledgeable and prompt". Additionally, he is noted as "a very responsive and helpful lawyer who provides very useful advice which is relevant to the context." A client also commented that he is "understanding of the bank's requirements" and that he suggests "alternative solutions that best suit the bank's position." (2023)

Asia Business Law Journal's A List

- praising Stanley "for his ability to manage complex financing matters with ease, and in a value-added manner." Stanley is further described as someone who "takes a commercial approach and has no qualms about providing training to the legal team so they can gain a better understanding." Another client commended Stanley as "knowledgeable in his field of work and able to give concrete advice on legal matters." (2023)

Practice Area:

- Banking & Finance

Sector:

- Financial Institutions