

PROFILE



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Qualifications

LL.B (Hons) National University of Singapore (2009)
Advocate & Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Singapore (2010)

Language
English

DANIEL CAI

ABOUT DANIEL

Daniel practices civil litigation and international arbitration.

He handles a wide range of matters including complex disputes in construction, banking and finance, infrastructure projects, corporate and commercial disputes. He has also acted for clients in relation to investigations by various regulatory authorities in Singapore.

Daniel has represented multinational corporations, governments, financial institutions and individuals at all levels of the Singapore Courts and in international arbitrations.

Daniel has been appointed by the Honourable the Chief Justice as a member of the Inquiry Panel under the Legal Profession Act. He is also an author of *Singapore Civil Procedure*, Sweet & Maxwell.

EXPERIENCE

Some of the matters in which Daniel has acted include:

Construction

- Successfully acted for a homeowner in the High Court and the Court of Appeal against a housing developer in claims for defects in a villa located in Sentosa Cove. These decisions are reported in [2019] SGHC 175 and [2020] SGCA 86, and they are significant decisions clarifying the nature and effect of defects liability clauses.

International arbitration

- Acted in an international arbitration under the UNCITRAL Rules concerning a multi-jurisdiction distribution agreement with one of the world's largest brand-name apparel companies. The arbitration involved complex issues relating to breach of contract, lawful and unlawful means conspiracy, and trademark infringements, amongst others.

Multi-billion infrastructure arbitration / mining arbitrations

- Acting in a SIAC international arbitration concerning valuable mining concessions in Indonesia. The value of the dispute is estimated at US\$500m to US\$600m, and it involves counsel and arbitrators from the United States, Singapore, Indonesia and Australia.

Companies, minority oppression

- Successfully defended the majority shareholders of a Singapore-based chemical company in a High Court action brought by a minority shareholder who alleged that the majority shareholders had acted in a manner oppressive to him. The decision of the High Court is reported in [2011] SGHC 116.

ACCOLADE

Asian Legal Business Asia Super 50 Disputes Lawyers 2021

Recognised as being amongst the top 50 disputes lawyers in the region

- A client commended Daniel as *"an excellent lawyer with methodical and insightful approach to litigation."*

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APPOINTMENTS/MEMBERSHIPS

- Member, Singapore Academy of Law
- Member, Law Society of Singapore