

PROFILE



Director, Dispute Resolution
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Qualifications

LL.B. (Hons), National University of Singapore (1997)

Admitted to the Singapore Bar in November (2000)

Advocate & Solicitor, Supreme Court of Singapore (2000)

Solicitor, England & Wales (2003)

Language

English, Chinese

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ABOUT GARY

Gary practices both civil and criminal litigation. He has an active civil/commercial practice and has acted in a wide variety of matters, including disputes in banking and finance, commercial disputes, arbitrations, directors'/shareholders' disputes, minority oppression, tortious liability, property and contractual disputes.

He regularly acts for major local and foreign banks in relation to all aspects of banking disputes, including banking fraud, anti-money laundering practices, banker-customer obligations, banking secrecy, financial advisory services and obligations in respect of the sale of financial products. In the aftermath of the global financial crisis, he represented banks, corporations and individuals in several claims relating to the mis-selling of financial products, including complex financial instruments such as accumulators, options, swaps and credit linked notes.

Gary also has wide experience in criminal matters and was formerly a Deputy Public Prosecutor. He has represented clients involved in diverse offences, including commercial crimes, corruption and securities offences such as insider trading, market manipulation and the making of false and misleading statements. He has also been involved in investigations by various corporations into alleged wrongdoings of employees in relation to fraud, criminal breach of trust, cheating, breach of fiduciary duties and other misconduct.

Gary also represented the Attorney-General's Chambers of Brunei in a series of prosecutions against former employees of Brunei Shell Petroleum over multiple corruption charges amounting to more than B\$800,000.00 in bribes, which is one of the biggest corruption prosecutions in the country's history.

EXPERIENCE

- Represented the **Attorney-General's Chambers of Brunei** in multiple prosecutions against former employees of Brunei Shell Petroleum over corruption charges amounting to more than B\$800,000.00 in bribes.
- Defended a managing director of a **Singapore-listed company** against charges of market manipulation and making false and misleading statements in a public announcement to the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited.
- Acted for a **subsidiary of a Malaysian public listed company** in an arbitration against the Johor State Government for breach of a privatisation and development agreement for the construction of a waterfront city in Johor Bahru.
- Acted for a **Malaysian company** in an arbitration against the **Selangor State Government** for breach of an agreement for the sale and development of land.
- Acted for a **financial institution** against a claim by Indonesian customers for alleged misrepresentation and misspelling of complex financial products, including accumulators, equity-linked convertible instruments, equity-linked notes and dual currency returns.
- Acted for a **foreign financial institution** in a claim for over S\$12 million against two directors/shareholders of a public-listed company under a Deed of Undertaking.
- Acted for a **manufacturer and distributor of soft drinks products** listed on the Main Board of the SGX-ST in a claim by its Indonesian franchisee for alleged breach of a Franchise Agreement and unlawful interference with the franchisee's trade.
- Represented **related corporations** in actions against its former director/fiduciary to recover unauthorised payments and monies misappropriated by the director/fiduciary.
- Represented **corporations** in claims against former employees for breach of duties, breach of confidentiality and breach of non-compete covenants.
- Represented a **jeweler** and its director against a claim for dishonestly assisting in the dissipation of trust monies by the former solicitor of the Plaintiffs who absconded with the Plaintiffs' monies

ACCOLADES

The Legal 500 Asia Pacific

Dispute Resolution 2024 – Recommended lawyer for 5 years

White Collar Crime 2024 – Recommended lawyer for 3 consecutive years

- Sources say Gary is *"sound and accurate"*

Asialaw Leading Lawyers

Dispute Resolution 2024 – Notable Practitioner

Who's Who Legal

National Guide: Southeast Asia – Business Crime Defence 2024 – Recommended Lawyer

National Guide: Southeast Asia – Investigations 2024 – Recommended Lawyer

Business Crime Defence 2019 - Recommended lawyer for 3 consecutive years (corporates chapter)

Benchmark Litigation Asia-Pacific

Litigation Star 2024 – Commercial and Transactions for 2 consecutive years, White Collar Crime for 6 consecutive years

Best Lawyers International: Singapore

Litigation 2024 – Endorsed individual for 2 consecutive years

Global Investigations Review 100 (GIR 100) 5th edition (2019)

Recognised as a leading individual for investigations. The GIR 100 identifies top 100 firms worldwide that handle complex cross-border government-led and internal investigations.

APPOINTMENTS/MEMBERSHIPS

- Advocate & Solicitor, Supreme Court of Singapore
- Solicitor, England & Wales
- Member, Law Society of Singapore
- Member, Singapore Academy of Law

PUBLICATIONS

- International Comparative Legal Guide to Anti-Money Laundering – Singapore chapter, 2018 & 2022
- International Comparative Legal Guide to Business Crime – 2020 & 2021
- International Comparative Legal Guide – Anti Money Laundering 2023