

# PROFILE



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**Qualifications**

B.A. (Hons.) in Law and Economics, University of Keele, UK (1992)  
Admitted to the Bar of England & Wales, Middle Temple (1993)  
Admitted to the Singapore Bar as an Advocate and Solicitor (1994)

**Language**

English, Chinese

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## FEEI SY THAM

### ABOUT FEEI SY

Feei Sy handles civil and commercial litigation with a focus on banking and financial litigation, corporate and personal insolvency and debt recovery. He has represented major local and foreign banks and financial institutions in all aspects of banking issues and disputes, including banking fraud, banker-customer obligations, banking secrecy and enforcement of banking securities. He has also acted for clients in a variety of arbitration and commercial disputes, including contract, property and shareholders' disputes.

Feei Sy has been in practice since 1994. He joined Drew & Napier in October 2002, and became a Director in 2008. He left Drew & Napier in 2018 and re-joined the firm in April 2023.

### EXPERIENCE

Some of the matters Feei Sy has handled include:

- Defended a local bank in an action by a private banking customer claiming damages of US\$17 million in respect of losses suffered following the 2008 international financial crisis.
- **Bank of China Limited (Singapore branch) v Huang Ziqiang [2014] SGHC 245** – Successfully represented the bank in a claim of over US\$66 million against a Chinese businessman under a personal guarantee. The claim involved issues of fraudulent misrepresentation, promissory estoppel and breach of contract.

- **Tan Eng Joo v United Overseas Bank Ltd [2010] 2 SLR 703** – Successfully represented a local bank in actions to recover over US\$11 million advanced and secured by mortgages over properties, vessels and personal guarantees.
- **Giuffrida Lugi v Julius Baer (Singapore) Ltd [2010] SGHC 96** – Successfully defended a local bank (in voluntary liquidator) in an action by a customer for payment of over US\$7 million under his account.
- Represented an Indonesian company against a Chinese multinational power generation manufacturing company in an International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) arbitration over a dispute in relation to a contract for the construction of a power plant, with damages claimed in excess of US\$172 million.
- Represented shareholders of an Indonesian company in a multi-billion dollar arbitration commenced by an Australian listed minerals exploration company over the ownership of a copper / gold mining project in Indonesia.
- Defended the registered owners of a commercial property in an action by a company claiming that the property was held on express trust for the company.
- **Ram Parshotam Mittal v Portcullis Trustnet (Singapore) Pte Ltd [2014] 3 SLR 1337** – Successfully defended various entities within a prominent group of trust companies in obtaining a limited stay of Singapore proceedings pending the determination of proceedings in Labuan.
- **Travista Development Pte Ltd v Tan Kim Swee Augustine and others [2008] 2 SLR(R) 474** – Successfully represented a group of strata title unit holders of a S\$30.5 million development against a foreign company purchaser for failure to complete the deal.
- **Chng Weng Wah v Chin Yeow Hon [2003] 2 SGDC 192** – Successfully defended a director of a listed company in a claim brought against him by the company's founding director for repayment of a purported loan. The trial judge found inconsistencies and omissions in the founding director's evidence and dismissed his claim.

## ACCOLADES

### India Business Law Journal

In the India Business Law Journal, June 2016, a client described Feei Sy as an *“able and diligent advocate.”*

## APPOINTMENTS/MEMBERSHIPS

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