

PROFILE

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Qualifications

J.D. (Singapore Management University)
LL.M. (National University of Singapore)
LL.B. (East China University of Political Science and Law, Shanghai)
B. Econs. (Finance) (East China Normal University, Shanghai)
Advocate & Solicitor, Supreme Court of Singapore
Qualified to practise law in the People's Republic of China

Language

English, Chinese, Shanghainese

YANTING (REX) HUANG

ABOUT REX

Rex is dual-qualified to practise both Singapore law and PRC law. He specialises in corporate finance, corporate and commercial transactions and regulatory compliance in the Greater China, Singapore and the region. His principal areas of practice include foreign direct investments, mergers and acquisitions, financing and initial public offerings, equity and debt issues, joint ventures, and private equity and venture capital investments.

Rex also has extensive knowledge of the legal and regulatory landscape of blockchain and cryptocurrencies. His clients include several world-leading blockchain and cryptocurrency firms and exchanges.

Rex also advises high net worth individuals on setting up of family offices in Singapore and application to the Monetary Authority of Singapore for relevant tax exemptions and other exemptions.

EXPERIENCE

Some of the matters which Rex has handled to date include:

IPOs and Capital Markets

- Acted for Haidilao International Holding Ltd in its US\$964 million initial public offering and listing on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited. The deal won the Editor's Choice Impact Deal and Cases Awards: Impact Deal / Case of the Year at the 2020 asialaw Awards, and was also

nominated by Asian Legal Business as the Equity Market Deal of the Year (premium) in SE Asia Law Awards 2019.

- Acted for a major Malaysian cocoa ingredients producer in its initial public offering and listing on the Catalist of SGX-ST.
- Acted for a major building construction service provider in Singapore in its initial public offering and listing on the Catalist of SGX-ST.

Mergers and Acquisitions /Joint Ventures

- Acted for Ralec Electronic Corporation, a leading chip resistor and resistor array professional manufacturer listed on Taiwan stock exchange, in its acquisition of SGX-ST listed ASJ Holdings Limited.
- Acted for Jumbo Seafood in its establishment of joint venture enterprises in China (including Shanghai and Beijing) and its franchise arrangements with companies in China.
- Acted for Shandong Shipping Corporation (which is one of the biggest state-owned enterprises in Shandong Province, the PRC) in its establishment of a joint venture enterprise in Singapore as well as the restructuring of the joint venture enterprise.

Private Equity / Venture Capital Investments

- Acted for a Chinese company in its private placement of classes of redeemable preference shares in Singapore. The proceeds of such placement would be invested in the establishment of more than 200 blocks of luxury serviced apartments in Liaoning Province, the PRC.
- Acted for a number of venture capital firms in their various investments in companies in Singapore, China and overseas.

Blockchain and Cryptocurrency

- Advised a number of world-leading blockchain and cryptocurrency firms (such as NEO Foundation) on the listing and legal compliance matters, including reviewing of whitepapers and analysing of whether a specific digital token would be considered a security or a capital markets product under the Singapore law.
- Advised various companies on the Payment Services Act 2019 and acted for them in the applications to the Monetary Authority of Singapore for payment services licences

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- *"He is dual-qualified to practice law in Singapore and China."*
- *"Recognised as a key member of the Greater China Desk at Drew & Napier, Huang is at the forefront of innovation in corporate law. He ensures that his clients receive cutting-edge and practical legal solutions."*

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- *“Specialising in corporate finance, commercial transactions, and regulatory compliance, he focuses on the Greater China, Singapore, and regional markets.”*
- *“He is recognised for his extensive expertise in the legal and regulatory aspects of blockchain and cryptocurrencies.”*

APPOINTMENTS/MEMBERSHIPS

- Member, Singapore Academy of Law
- Member, Law Society of Singapore
- Management Committee Member, Hong Kong Singapore Business Association