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PROFILE

An entrepreneurial and driven team player completing her training contract at Sidley Austin in August 2022. Looking for an NQ associate position with a Financial Services Regulatory team.

EDUCATION

Postgraduate Certificate in Laws (PCLL) 2014 to 2020

Bachelor of Laws (LL.B.) with a Minor in Entrepreneurship and Innovation

The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong

- Achieved Upper-Second class honours (2:1). Graduated with a CGPA of 3.5 out of 4.0.
- Dean's List 2018-2019. Received three scholarships for academic excellence.
- Achieved As in all entrepreneurship classes.
- Studied abroad at Tsinghua University and Fudan University.

University of California, Berkeley, US 2016 to 2017

- Year-long exchange program. Learnt Python. Studied entrepreneurship, social media and elections, American history and the American criminal justice system.

Stephen Perse Sixth Form College, Cambridge, UK 2012 to 2014

- GCE A-level: A*A*A in History, Economics and Mathematics.

St. Paul's Secondary School, Hong Kong 2008 to 2012

WORK EXPERIENCE

Trainee Solicitor at Sidley Austin, Hong Kong Aug 2020 to date

Sat with Corporate team for 12 months and Disputes team for 6 months.

Currently at a mixed seat with Funds team and Restructuring team for 6 months.

Financial Regulatory and Advisory

- Advised a US bank on whether issuance of a cross-border commercial credit card would trigger credit card regulations in Hong Kong. Other key legal issues include data privacy laws related to the website and app, issuance of virtual cards and anti-money laundering Issues.
- Advised a PRC online payment and e-wallet platform on risk of local regulatory requirements due to presence of users in multiple jurisdictions. Analysed the relevant requirements that define a Stored Value Facility (SVF), the applicability of overseas SVF scheme and the risk of promotion. Liaised with eight local counsels, reviewed their legal opinions and followed up with questions. Produced a client memo with consolidated, high-level and user-friendly advice on risks of regulations across nine jurisdictions.
- Assisted with editing the Hong Kong chapter of "Payment Services: Law and Practice"
- Drafted the biannual regulatory newsletter which covers, *inter alia*, the HKMA/SFC joint circular on virtual asset-related activities, re-domiciliation of foreign funds under the new OFC and LPF regimes, revisions to AML/CFT Guidelines and the latest SFC enforcement actions.

Transactional

- M&A and general corporate
 - Advised on a joint venture investment bid for a leading global property management company. Assisted with marking up the SPA and JV term sheet. Considered key due diligence issues in the target's leases, contracts and banking facilities, as well as the new regulatory regime under Property Management Services Ordinance in preparing the red-

- flag due diligence report.
 - Assisted in Nefab Group AB's acquisition of Reflex Packaging Group, a major provider of sustainable thermoformed cushioning. Conducted due diligence interview with the target's management and drafted the due diligence report which covered, *inter alia*, the target's corporate documents, financials, material contracts and IP.
 - Coordinated closing, prepared closing checklists, **drafted** instrument of transfer, directors' resolutions, shareholders' resolutions and related documents.
- IPO
 - Advised on six initial public offerings and developed extensive drafting, project management and communication skills in managing four A1 submissions and two closings.
 - Issuer-side experience: advised a PRC property developer, two PRC property management companies and a medical device manufacturer. Prepared prospectus skeleton and drafted Hong Kong sections. Drafted A1 and long board minutes, listing-related company documents, shareholders resolutions, closing legal opinions, spin-off announcements and CCASS-related documents. Prepared signing packs. Coordinated prospectus registration.
 - Sponsor-side experience: represented Huatai and Credit Suisse in China Youran Dairy Group Limited's IPO (9858.hk). Represented CSCI in a genetic testing provider's proposed IPO. Drafted A1 documents, reviewed A1 submission pack and coordinated submission. Drafted PN21 checklist, back-to-back confirmation and background search confirmation. Conducted due diligence interviews and verification work in respect of the prospectus. Coordinated signing by sponsors.
- Public M&A, Listing Rules and Takeovers Code compliance
 - Drafted announcements, circulars and size test checklists in relation to notifiable and connected transactions in respect of acquisitions and disposals. Highlights include:
 - Advised on a deal with a VIE structure and marked up the VIE agreements following Guidance Letter 77-14.
 - Advised on a whitewash waiver application. Drafted responses to HKEx and SFC comments, prepared Takeovers Code checklists and documents on display.
 - Drafted annual results announcements and reviewed annual reports and ESG reports.
- Restructuring
 - Currently advising one of the largest property developers in its **ongoing** restructuring plan. Prepared NDAs, correspondence clips, fee letters and termination agreement. Assisted with marking up the undertaking proposal and drafting letters to the ad-hoc committee of bondholders.
 - Researched on the powers of provisional liquidators under Bermudan law.
- Funds
 - Currently advising on the establishment of a limited partnership fund in Hong Kong.
 - Drafted advice on the formation, management and tax considerations in the context of an OFC domiciled in Hong Kong.

Arbitration and Civil Litigation

- Assisted in representing a NASDAQ-listed Chinese biopharmaceutical company in a US\$350 million New York-seated ICC arbitration against a pharmaceutical company in relation to two collaboration agreements on developing cancer-curing antibodies. Worked on two filings and the hearing. Assisted with document production. Prepared first draft of the pleadings on the "agreement to negotiate" issue, a part of a witness statement and letters to the opposing side. Assisted in witness preparation sessions. Managed over 400 exhibits for the submission and became the first in the team to adopt the legal tech software, Exhibit Manager.
- Prepared the first draft of a Hong Kong-seated HKIAC arbitration award on a contractual dispute which involved key legal issues being contractual interpretation and estoppel by convention.
- Drafted employment contracts, termination agreements, demand letters, letter responses and general emails to client.
- Researched on arbitration rules and Hong Kong laws. Key research topics include admissibility of illegally obtained evidence in an arbitration and *infra petita* award.

Program Assistant at International House Berkeley, California, US

Sep 2016 to May 2017

- Led, organised and hosted events including formal dinners, winter ball, boat party, yoga classes, weekly coffee social and visits to theme park.
- Worked with a team of 15 in serving over 600 residents from 70 countries.

OTHER LEGAL WORK EXPERIENCE

Bryan Cave Leighton Paisner, Hong Kong: Summer Intern with Real Estate team 2018

Eversheds Sutherland, Hong Kong: Summer Intern with Banking team 2017

Simmons & Simmons (Representative Office), Shanghai: Legal Intern with Employment team 2016

LANGUAGES, SKILLS AND INTERESTS

- Native in Cantonese. Fluent in English and Mandarin.
- Beginner level coding in Python. Design and develop websites using a mix of drag-and-drop website builder and HTML, CSS and JavaScript. Proficient at Final Cut Pro for editing video.
- Reading, exploring nature, wine-tasting and playing board games.