

# Anissa Ng

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2PQE Corporate Associate at Sidley Austin with a proven track record of advising clients on complex corporate and regulatory matters and working closely with regulators. Entrepreneurial, tech-savvy, and excited about driving business growth.

## QUALIFICATIONS AND CPD

The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong

2014 to 2020

Postgraduate Certificate in Laws (PCLL) and Bachelor of Laws (LL.B.)

Minor in Entrepreneurship and Innovation

- Upper-second class honors (2:1)
- CGPA: 3.5/4.0; Dean's list 2018-2019
- Chinese law summer exchange program at Tsinghua University
- 3-week intensive entrepreneurship bootcamp at Fudan University

University of California, Berkeley, US

2016 to 2017

- Year-long exchange program. Studied U.S. law, entrepreneurship and programming

Stephen Perse Sixth Form College, Cambridge, UK

2012 to 2014

- GCE A Levels: A\*A\*A in History, Economics and Mathematics

University of Pennsylvania (via Coursera)

2022

- Certificate in Cryptocurrency and Blockchain: An Introduction to Digital Currencies
- Certificate in FinTech: Foundations, Payments, and Regulations

## WORK HISTORY

Sidley Austin, Hong Kong

Aug 2020 to date

Corporate Associate

Aug 2022 to date

- **Public M&A:** Advising on Takeovers Code. Experiences include advising the offeror on the successful privatization of a listed company, obtaining a waiver from the mandatory general offer obligation under Note 6 to Rule 26.1 of the Takeovers Code, and drafting a submission to the SFC regarding breaking up of parties acting in concert.
- **Listed companies' regulatory compliance:** Continuously advising over 10 HKEX-listed companies as their legal counsel. Key responsibilities include attending to client's queries on Hong Kong Listing Rules and Takeovers Code, drafting announcements, circulars and submissions to HKEX, drafting responses to HKEX enquiries and liaising with HKEX, and reviewing transactional documents and financial reports.
- **Fund formation:** Advising on the establishment of two private open-ended fund companies in Hong Kong.
- **Virtual asset-related regulatory:** Drafting publications on the regulation on virtual asset-related activities.
- **Debt capital markets and debt restructuring:** Advising on debt issuance to professional investors under Chapter 37 of the Listing Rules. Advising on offshore debt restructurings and relevant Listing Rules implications.
- **General commercial:** Drafting and reviewing SPAs, NDAs, engagement letters and cooperation agreements. Preparing shareholder resolutions, board resolutions and closing documents.

### **List of selected deals**

- Represented the offeror in the successful privatization of Sinosoft Technology Group Limited (previous stock code: 1297).
- Represented Country Garden Services Holdings Company Limited (stock code: 6098) in its proposed acquisition of shares in Hopefluent Group Holdings Limited (stock code: 733) which would have triggered a mandatory general offer under the Takeovers Code.
- Representing Labixiaoxin Snacks Group Limited (stock code: 1262) in its proposed capital reorganization, loan capitalization by connected persons and successful application to the SFC for a waiver from the obligation to make a mandatory general offer under Note 6 to Rule 26.1 of the Takeovers Code.
- Represented Zhongliang Group Holdings Limited (stock code: 2772) in its US\$1.2 billion restructuring involving issuance of convertible bonds and senior notes as scheme consideration.
- Represented the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development in the Hong Kong Stock Exchange listing of its US\$150 million floating rate catastrophe-linked capital at risk notes.
- Represented Sany Heavy Equipment International Holdings Company Limited (stock code: 631) in its RMB2.98 billion acquisition for the entire issued share capital of a company and advised on the Listing Rules implications.
- Representing Gaoyu Finance Group (stock code: 8221), the trading in the shares of which was suspended due to insufficient level of operations and asset value, in its proposal for the resumption of trading of shares.
- Represented Shanshan Brand Management Co. Ltd. (stock code: 1749) in its very substantial acquisition of a parcel of land in a land bid.
- Representing a SGX listed company in its pre-A1 enquiry submission for a proposed spin-off of a hotel business.

### **Trainee Solicitor**

Aug 2020 to Aug 2022

Seat rotations: Corporate (12 months), Disputes and Regulatory (6 months), Funds and Restructuring (6 months)

### **Financial regulatory advisory and data privacy work**

- Advised a Chinese payment platform on the risk of local regulations due to users who were residents in jurisdiction. Drafted analysis in respect of the Hong Kong Stored Value Facility (SVF) licensing regime and its applicability to an overseas SVF issuer. Liaised with 8 local counsels, reviewed their legal opinions and proposed follow-up questions. Produced a high-level and user-friendly client memo on risk of regulations across 9 jurisdictions.
- Advised a US bank on Hong Kong data privacy laws and credit card regulations in relation to its issuance of a cross-border commercial credit card as well as other legal issues such as issuance of virtual credit card and anti-money laundering.
- Drafted the Sidley biannual regulatory newsletter which covered re-domiciliation of foreign funds under the new OFC and LPF regimes, revisions to AML/CFT Guidelines and the latest SFC enforcement actions.
- Assisted with editing the Hong Kong chapter of "Payment Services: Law and Practice".

### **Transactional work**

- M&A
  - Advised on a joint venture investment bid for a leading global property management company. Prepared a red-flag due diligence report in relation to the target's leases, material contracts, litigation record and banking facilities.
  - 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 the target's

- corporate documents, financials, material contracts and IP.
  - Coordinated closing, prepared closing checklists, instrument of transfer, directors' resolutions, shareholders' resolutions and related documents.
- Listing Rules and Takeovers Code compliance
- IPO
  - Advised on initial public offerings as issuer counsel or sponsor counsel. Developed extensive drafting and project management skills in managing A1 submissions and successful listings, which include:
    - Mega Genomics Limited (stock code: 6667)
    - SCE Intelligent Commercial Management Holdings Limited (stock code: 606)
    - China Youran Dairy Group Limited (stock code: 9858)
    - Leading Holdings Group Limited (stock code: 6999)
- Funds
  - Advised 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.

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**Program Assistant at International House Berkeley, California, US**

Sep 2016 to May 2017

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- Led, organized 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.

**LANGUAGES AND OTHER SKILLS**

 Native in English and Cantonese. Fluent in Mandarin.

 Web development (HTML, CSS, JavaScript). Beginner-level Python. Proficient at Final Cut Pro.