# **PROFILE**



Raymond Lam Kuo Wei, FCS

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#### ABOUT RAYMOND

Raymond spent more than 22 years in Drew & Napier and last held the role of Chief Operating Officer, Drew Network Asia and Head of Business Development. Between 2015 and 2021, he was the Chief Executive Officer of DrewCorp Services Pte Ltd. He was also a Director in the Corporate Restructuring & Workouts Practice Group in Drew & Napier.

He was appointed the Chairman of the Chartered Secretaries Institute of Singapore in 2022 and 2023 and remains as a Fellow and member of its Management Council to date.

Raymond is a Senior Mediator on the Panel of the Law Society Mediation Scheme, a Specialist Mediator on the Panel of the Singapore International Mediation Centre and an Associate Mediator on the Panel of the Singapore Mediation Centre. He volunteers as a Court Volunteer Mediator at the State Courts Centre for Dispute Resolution and is on the Law Society Panel of Mediators (Inadequate Professional Services).

He is a senior accredited director with the Singapore Institute of Directors and is an independent director at the SGX- listed XMH Holdings Ltd, Nippecraft Ltd and ASTI Holdings Ltd.

#### **ACCOLADES**

### **Asialaw Leading Lawyers**

Restructuring & Insolvency 2016, 2017, 2018 – Leading Lawyer







**Best Lawyers International: Singapore** 

Insolvency and Reorganisation Law 2021 – Endorsed Lawyer

#### **EXPERIENCE**

#### **CEO DrewCorp Services**

Raymond was appointed CEO of Drewcorp in 2015 and he successfully grew the firm to a team of 30 professionals offering a full range of corporate administration services.

During his tenure, Raymond was appointed as the company secretary to a number of companies listed on the SGX Mainboard and Catalist and was regularly appointed as the independent scrutineer by a significant number of SGX-listed companies for their general meetings including the CapitaLand Group, Parkway Life REIT, iFast and Azeus.

#### **Corporate Restructuring & Workouts**

Raymond has been involved in insolvency and corporate restructuring matters including judicial management, liquidation and schemes of arrangements. His role includes advising judicial managers and liquidators from international accounting houses; representing distressed companies in debt restructuring exercises; and guiding companies through various daily operational, management and creditor issues, helping them manage risk whilst overseeing their operations. Significant cases include:

US\$16 billion debt restructuring of Asia Pulp & Paper - Raymond was part of an international team of lawyers that successfully restructured the APP Group's Indonesian and China operations. The APP Group debt restructuring was named the Singapore Insolvency and Restructuring Deal of the Year at the Asian Legal Business Awards 2008.

 S\$400 million debt restructuring of Citiraya Industries Ltd – acted for the company and successfully placed the company under judicial management and thereafter relisting on the Singapore Stock Exchange.

- \$\$50\$ million debt restructuring of Seatown Corporation Ltd – acted for the judicial managers in working out a scheme of arrangement to restructure the company and relisting the company via a reverse takeover exercise. The restructuring of Seatown was nominated for the Singapore Insolvency and Restructuring Deal of the Year at the Asian Legal Business Awards 2008
- \$\$500 million debt restructuring of TT International Ltd – acted for the majority shareholders in the debt restructuring and the scheme of arrangement over the company.
- Tuban Petro Group part of legal team dealing with the restructuring of the Group's US\$1 billion debt, one of the more significant petrochemical players in Indonesia
- Continental Chemicals Group part of legal team which dealt with the restructuring of the US\$360 million debt through a scheme of arrangement

Raymond has also represented directors and shareholders in shareholder disputes involving breach of fiduciary duties, minority shareholder oppression, management buyout and companies winding up issues.

#### **Arbitration**

Raymond has also represented clients in international arbitrations in Singapore.

- Represented an Indonesian company in an SIAC international arbitration against an Asian government in relation to a pulp & paper project worth more than US\$4.2 billion
- Represented an Indonesian company in an SIAC international arbitration against a Malaysian company involving the supply of pharmaceutical products
- Represented a Taiwanese company listed on the Taiwan Stock Exchange in an international arbitration which concerned issues arising from legal proceedings in Taiwan, Italy, Luxembourg and Singapore
- Represented an Indonesian company in arbitration proceedings in relation to a contract of sale of coal

## APPOINTMENTS/MEMBERSHIPS

- Notary Public & Commissioner For Oaths
- Senior Accredited Director, Singapore Institute of Directors
- Management Council Member, Chartered Secretaries Institute of Singapore
- Fellow, Chartered Secretaries Institute of Singapore
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- Law Society Panel of Mediators (Inadequate Professional Services)
- State Courts Centre for Dispute Resolution Panel of Court Volunteer Mediators
- Member, Law Society of Singapore and Singapore Academy of Law
- Member, Inquiry Committee, Law Society of Singapore
- Trainer for the Advocacy Workshops for the Singapore Institute of Legal Education