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Areas of practice

- Dispute resolution
- Restructuring and insolvency
- Investigations

Qualification/Education

- Advocate & Solicitor, Singapore, 1997
- Postgraduate Practical Law Course, National University of Singapore, 1996
- Bachelor of Laws (Hons), National University of Singapore, 1996

Appointments/Memberships

- Member, The Law Society of Singapore's Insolvency Practice Committee
- Board Member, Singapore Institute of Legal Education
- Member, The Law Society of Singapore
- Member, Singapore Academy of Law
- Member, International Association of Defense Counsel
- Member, International Bar Association
- Member, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators
- Fellow, Singapore Institute of Arbitrators
- Member, INSOL International
- Fellow, Insolvency Practitioners Association of Singapore
- Member, SIAC Users Council

Awards and accolades

- *The Best Lawyer: Leading Lawyer* (Litigation, and Banking and Finance), 2014-2021
- Chambers Asia-Pacific: Ranked Lawyer – Band 3 (Restructuring/Insolvency), 2020-2021
- *The Legal 500 Asia Pacific: Recommended Lawyer* (Dispute Resolution, and Restructuring and Insolvency), 2017-2020

Described by *The Legal 500 Asia Pacific* as “‘impressive and clearly knows his way around the Singapore courts’”, Eddee has acted for international clientele in a wide spectrum of corporate and commercial litigation. He has also been engaged in some of the most significant cross-border insolvency and restructuring matters in Singapore.

Experience

- Representing **Malayan Banking Berhad** before the Singapore International Commercial Court (“**SICC**”) in a dispute with Barclays Bank PLC, involving SWIFT payments. The case is the first of its kind, involving novel issues of banking law relating to the allocation of risk/liability in the area of cross-border funds transfers. The SICC’s decision will have ramifications on the jurisprudence and practice of bank payments around the world.
- Representing a **working group of bank lenders** comprising approximately S\$874.6 million of the unsecured debt of Hyflux Limited, in the ongoing restructuring of the Hyflux Group.
- Advising **Court appointed receivers and managers** of companies affiliated with/related to a Russian oligarch on securing assets in Singapore, Cyprus, Belize and BVI pursuant to a receivership order made in Singapore.
- Acting for and advising the **judicial manager of Opus Offshore Pte Ltd**, the Singapore subsidiary in a larger group that provides marine and drilling services; as well as acting for the **joint provisional liquidators of Opus Offshore Ltd** (the parent company of Opus Offshore Pte Ltd) in proceedings in the High Court of Singapore.
- Representing the **judicial manager** in proceedings arising from the falsified accounts of a Singapore public listed company with operations in China.
- Advising in the restructuring of a **company** involved in the distribution of electronic components internationally.
- Representing a **shipping company** in a complex claim (worth approximately US\$50 million) commenced by its former parent company concerning, among other things, questions of foreign illegality and the breach of a deed of counter guarantee.
- Representing one of Singapore’s largest banks, **United Overseas Bank Ltd** (“**UOB**”) in a widely reported multi-million dollar intellectual property dispute involving a currency conversion system – Dynamic Currency Conversion for Card Payment Systems, which spanned more than a decade.

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- *Asialaw Profiles: Distinguished Practitioner (Dispute Resolution, and Restructuring and Insolvency)*, 2021
 - *Asian Legal Business SE Asia Law Awards: Singapore Managing Partner of the Year 2017 – Finalist*
 - *Asialaw Asia-Pacific Dispute Resolution Awards: Disputes Star of the Year 2016 – Finalist*
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- Acting for **UOB** in its claims for fraud and conspiracy against, amongst others, Lippo Marina Collection Pte Ltd ("**Lippo Marina**"), a property development company within the well-known Lippo Group, relating to UOB's grant of mortgage loans amounting to an aggregate sum of S\$181 million for the purchase of luxury condominium units at The Marina Collection at Sentosa Cove developed by Lippo Marina. This case included an interlocutory application involving a complex area of law pertaining to whether the fraud exception applies to prevent attribution of the knowledge of an employee who had been fraudulent and/or who had committed a breach of duty to the employer. The team also successfully argued against an appeal by the defendants before the High Court.
- Acting for a **Singapore commodities-trading company** in an SIAC arbitration involving a dispute arising out of a back-to-back agreement with a Swiss and a Chinese company for the sale and purchase of non-ferrous metals.
- Acting for a **Singapore incorporated company** against a subsidiary of a Chinese State Owned Enterprise in relation to the supply of alumina in an SIAC arbitration.
- Advising and acting for a **government ministry** in relation to numerous issues arising out of the construction of a government complex.
- Advising and acting for a **state-linked entity in China** in respect of a dispute arising out of the sale of soy beans from an international commodity conglomerate to the state-linked entity in China.
- Acting for a **telecommunications company** in a dispute arising from the procurement of a marquee sports program.
- Acting for a **telecommunications company** in claims arising from the unauthorised tapping off of its cable network.
- Acting for a **regional education chain** in a dispute with its private equity investor in respect of investments in Dubai, Kuwait and Vietnam.
- Acting for a **major international hotel chain** in respect of their dispute with a Singapore landlord.
- Acting for **Silverlink Holdings Limited ("Silverlink")**, the holding company of Amanresorts, a major luxury resort chain in a dispute between Silverlink and one of its shareholders and in a second related dispute involving the directors of Silverlink.
- Acting for **Starwood Asia Pacific** in relation to a claim arising from the acquisition of the Westin Grande Sukhumvit, Bangkok.
- Acting for a **Middle Eastern bank** in relation to fraud committed by a bank employee where funds were transferred to Singapore.
- Acting for a **BVI company** in claims amounting to US\$88 million against a major US bank for misrepresentation and mis-selling of currency derivatives.

- Acting for a **Philippines client** in claims for unauthorised trading against a German bank.
- Acting for an **Indonesian client** in claims for unauthorised trading, failure to advise and misrepresentation against a major US bank.
- Acting for **Malaysian clients** in claims for misrepresentation against a major Swiss bank.
- Advising and acting for a **Singapore listed company** in respect of fraud committed by employees in respect of the company's Mexican subsidiary.
- Advising a **major US bank** in relation to the debt standstill of Asia Pulp & Paper Ltd.
- Advising and acting for a **major coal producing company in Indonesia** in respect of disputes arising from the supply of coal to a Hong Kong-based entity.
- Acting for **majority shareholders** in relation to an application for an injunction to restrain the payment of an interim dividend of S\$90 million.
- Assisting **PricewaterhouseCoopers** with the investigations into the oil trading losses of China Aviation Oil which amounted to US\$550 million and which has been described as the second Barings in Singapore – *Asian Legal Business*' South East Asia Deal of the Year 2005.
- Acting for the **Singapore Diamond Exchange** in a passing off dispute.
- Advising **SGX** on infringements of stock market regulations.
- Acting for a **Hong Kong client** in claims made against the Marina Bay Sands for breach of contract and in the tort of conversion in respect of gambling chips.

Publications

- *The Asset Tracing and Recovery Review, 2015-2017 (Law Business Research Ltd)* – author of the Singapore chapter.
- *Singapore Civil Procedure 2019 – Volume 1 (Sweet & Maxwell)* – author of chapter on Affidavits.
- *Singapore Civil Procedure 2018 – Volume 1 (Sweet & Maxwell)* – author of chapter on Affidavits.
- *Singapore Civil Procedure – First Cumulative Supplement to the 2017 edition (Sweet & Maxwell)* – author of chapter on Affidavits.
- Contributor to *Doing Business 2016: Measuring Regulatory Quality and Efficiency (13th edition) (World Bank Group)*.
- *Law and Practice of Commercial Litigation in Singapore (Sweet & Maxwell)* – author of chapter on Summary Judgment, Striking Out and Preliminary Determination.