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OVERVIEW

Vincent Tso's area of practice involves corporate/commercial and corporate finance in Hong Kong as well as People's Republic of China (PRC)-related commercial transactions, which include: mergers and acquisitions, joint ventures, regulatory compliance matters, corporate restructuring, public offerings, private placement of securities, and acquisition and sale of PRC-related projects and companies. Vincent has advised Hong Kong-listed companies on their continual compliance with the Hong Kong Listing Rules. Additionally, he has advised clients on regulatory compliance and enforcement matters. He also has substantial experience in working with stakeholders involving distressed listed companies and regulatory investigations.

Vincent passed the inaugural GBA Legal Professional Examination in 2021.

PROFESSIONAL / CIVIC ACTIVITIES

- China-Appointed Attesting Officer
- President, Legal and Professional Advancement Association Limited, 2020 to present
- Council Member, The Law Society of Hong Kong, 2022

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Speaker, "Resolving Auditors' Difficulties and Concerns in an Effective Manner From Legal and Forensic Perspective," April 2022, The Association of Hong Kong Accountants (AHKA)
- Speaker, "Takeover in Hong Kong: Acquiring Controlling Interest in Listed Companies and its Subsequent Compliance," April 2021, Wolters Kluwer

EDUCATION

- LL.B., University of Queensland, 1989
- B.Com, University of Queensland, 1987

ADMISSIONS

- Solicitor, Hong Kong
- Solicitor, Queensland, Australia

LANGUAGES

- Chinese (Cantonese)
- Chinese (Mandarin)
- **English**

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP POWERED BY HUB

- 27 November 2023, Hong Kong Relaxes "Double Dipping" Restrictions For Large IPOs
- September 2022, September 2022 Accolades
- 22 June 2021, The Hong Kong Stock Exchange's Consultation: Conclusions on the Main Board Profit Requirement

NEWS & EVENTS

- 16 July 2022, Fraud Investigation Training 2022 (Part 1 of 2) Hosted by The Hong Kong Chapter of the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners, in partnership with the Centre for Criminology, HKU
- 22 July 2019, K&L Gates Advises on Analogue Holdings Limited Hong Kong IPO

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Capital Markets
- Corporate Governance
- **Emerging Growth and Venture Capital**
- **Private Equity Transactions**
- **Public Companies**

INDUSTRIES

Artificial Intelligence

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- Financial Services
- **Private Equity**
- Technology

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

Capital Markets

- Represented China PengFei Group Limited, a leading manufacturer of rotary kilns and grinding equipment in the PRC, in its initial public offering (IPO) on the Main Board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.
- Represented Pujiang International Group Limited in its IPO on the Main Board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited. Pujiang International Group Limited mainly provides materials for construction projects through its cable business and prestressed materials business.
- Represented the sponsor and the underwriters of Analogue Holdings Limited in its IPO on the Main Board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited. Analogue Holdings Limited is a leading E&M engineering group in Hong Kong.
- Represented the sponsor and the underwriters of Zioncom Holdings Limited in its IPO on the Growth Enterprise Market of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited. Zioncom Holdings Limited is principally engaged in manufacturing and selling wired and wireless networking products, including routers, Ethernet switches, LAN Cards, Wi-Fi modules, and access points, as well as other non-networking products, such as power banks and USB hubs.
- Represented Ahsay Backup Software Development Company Limited in its IPO on the Growth Enterprise Market of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited. Ahsay Backup Software Development Company Limited is a Hong Kong-based online backup software developer that focuses on providing customers with self-developed backup software products and services.
- Represented China Aircraft Leasing Group Holdings Limited, the first independent aircraft leasing company focusing on China's aircraft leasing market, in its IPO on the Main Board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.
- Represented the sponsor and the underwriters of Technovator International Limited in its IPO on the Main Board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited. Technovator International Limited is one of the leading providers of building energy management and solution services in the PRC, with a global sales network and operations in Asia, North America, and Europe. The Technovator IPO deal won the Offshore IPOs 2011 award in China Business Law Journal's 2011 Deals of the Year report.
- Represented Bright Smart Securities & Commodities Group Limited, a provider of financial services including securities broking, margin financing, commodities and futures broking, and bullion broking, in its IPO on the Main Board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

Corporate M&A

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- Represented Greater Bay Area Dynamic Growth Holding Limited in its disposal of 60% in a company that owned and operated a hotel in the PRC.
- Represented Greater Bay Area Dynamic Growth Holding Limited in its acquisition of a resort property in the PRC.
- Represented Honbridge Holdings Limited its acquisition of iron ore mines in Brazil.
- Represented Kingston Financial Group Limited, a Hong Kong-listed investment holding company, in its acquisition of Kingston Capital Asia Limited, holder of the one of the largest local financial groups.
- Represented China Yunnan Tin Minerals Group Company Limited in its acquisition of iron ore mines in the Xinjiang region of mainland China.
- Represented China Lesso in its acquisition of 26% interest in Xinfa Aluminium Holdings Limited, another Main Board-listed company.
- Represented Shanghai Zendai Property Limited in disposal of a piece of prestigious land parcel in Pudong, Shanghai.
- Represented Kai Yuan Holdings Limited in its proposed acquisition of Paris Marriott Champs-Elysees.
- Represented Kai Yuan Holdings Limited in its investment in the production and sale of chemical products.
- Represented EverChina Int'l Holdings Company Limited in its acquisition of agricultural farmland in Bolivia.
- Represented EverChina Int'l Holdings Company Limited in its acquisition of real properties in the PRC.
- Represented TFG International Group Limited in its acquisition of a land parcel in the PRC that will be developed into a commercial complex comprising office towers, a hotel, and a shopping center.
- Represented TFG International Group Limited in its disposal of a land parcel in the PRC for commercial and financial uses.
- Represented TFG International Group Limited in its acquisition of 50% of a company holding a land parcel in the PRC for commercial and financial uses.
- Represented Dynasty Fine Wines Group Limited in its disposal of a chateau and the related facilities in the PRC.
- Represented Zhong Fa Zhan Holdings Limited in its acquisition of a land parcel and a factory in the PRC.
- Represented Northern New Energy Holdings Limited in its acquisition of a company engaging in the liquefied natural gas business.

Corporate Compliance Involving Takeover Code

Represented Resources Rich Limited on its mandatory cash offers for all issued securities of Noble Jewelry Holdings Limited.

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- Represented Star Advance International Limited on its voluntary cash offers for all issued securities of Morning Star Resources Limited.
- Represented Nation Field Limited on its mandatory cash offers for all issued securities of China Strategic Holdings Limited.
- Represented All Great International Holdings Limited on its pre-conditional voluntary cash offer for all issued securities of Ceneric (Holdings) Limited.
- Represented Crown City Inc Limited on its mandatory unconditional cash offer for all issued securities of Man Sang Jewellery Holdings Limited.
- Represented Mr. Yang Jai Sung on his disposal of shares in Kwang Sung Electronics H.K. Co. Limited, triggering mandatory cash offers for all issued securities of the latter.
- Represented Front Riches Limited on its mandatory cash offers for all issued securities of MAE Holdings Limited.

Corporate Rescue and Restructuring

- Represented investor or issuer in the restructuring and resumption of The Grande Holdings Limited, Hong Kong Pharmaceutical Holdings Limited, and Birmingham International Holdings Limited.
- Represented the sponsor of Ground Properties Company Limited in a reverse takeover involving a new listing application on the Main Board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited. Ground Properties Company Limited's acquisition target was a property developer in Jilin Province of China principally engaged in the development, sale, and leasing of residential, commercial, and tourism properties and property management.

Investigation and Resumption of Trading

Represented various listed companies on their investigation and resumption of trading, including GCL-Poly Energy Holdings Limited, Dynasty Fine Wines Group Limited, New Concepts Holding Limited, and China Health Group Limited.

Other Corporate Finance Transactions

Represented various listed companies in issue of new shares and convertible bonds involving an application for whitewash waiver, top-up placing, rights issue and open offers, and issue of convertible preference shares and debentures.