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OVERVIEW

Ahmad Khalis is involved in a range of matters including commercial and corporate transactions, mergers and acquisitions, joint ventures, real estate, construction law, and banking and loan documentation (both bi-lateral and syndicated) for Singapore and foreign companies. He is also retained by several Singapore branches of foreign banks, and advises on a myriad of Singapore-law related issues, including banking, commercial contracts, regulatory compliance, and general law.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Ahmad graduated from the National University of Singapore in 1985 and was called to the Singapore bar in 1986. He was in private practice from 1986 to 2005. He dealt with property, trusts, estates, corporate, criminal, Muslim law, family and civil litigation. He was the first chairman of the Law Society's Muslim Law Practice Committee.

He was an elected Member of Parliament from 2001 to 2006. He was vice-chairman of the GPC for Law and Home Affairs Ministries.

Ahmad was corporate counsel for Meinhardt (Singapore) Pte Ltd, an international engineering firm with a presence in 22 countries, for two years. He later became legal director of Mubadala CapitalLand Real Estate LLC ("Capitala") based in Abu Dhabi. Capitala is a multi-billion dollar joint-venture between CapitalLand (Singapore) and Mubadala Development Company of Abu Dhabi. Ahmad joined Straits Law Practice in 2011.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Recognized as a Recommended Lawyer by *The Legal 500 Asia Pacific* for Banking and finance: local firms in Singapore, 2024

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Speaker, "Regional Shariah Investing Symposium 2022," CGS IMB, 23 June 2022
- "Wills: Toxin or Medicine," Pergas Investment Holdings Pte Ltd, 16 March 2021

EDUCATION

- LL.B., National University of Singapore, 1985

ADMISSIONS

- Advocate and Solicitor, Singapore

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP *POWERED BY HUB*

- 28 August 2023, Public Consultation for the Proposed Advisory Guidelines on Use of Personal Data in AI Recommendation and Decision Systems

NEWS & EVENTS

- 4 December 2020, K&L Gates Again Advises Red Ventures on Pending Sale of CNET Content Services to 1WorldSync
- 18 September 2020, K&L Gates Advises Red Ventures on USD \$500 Million Acquisition of CNET Media Group from ViacomCBS

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Construction and Infrastructure
- Estate Planning and Trusts & Estates
- Financial Institutions and Services Litigation
- Real Estate Acquisitions and Dispositions
- Real Estate Joint Ventures