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OVERVIEW

Sook Young Yeu is a partner and is a member of the Asset Management and Investment Funds practice. Prior to joining the firm, Sook served as a partner and office leader for the Hong Kong location of an international law firm. She was a member of the mergers and acquisitions and private equity practices focusing on the representation of investors in a broad range of private investment funds. Sook previously focused her practice on corporate and securities matters in connection with the establishment of private investment funds and ongoing representation of investment funds and fund sponsors and managers, and related private equity and venture capital investments, as well as mergers and acquisitions, corporate restructurings and public and private securities offerings across the Asia-Pacific region.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Recognized by *The Legal 500 Asia Pacific* as a Recommended Lawyer for Investment Funds in Hong Kong, 2024
- Recognized by *Chambers Asia-Pacific* for Investment Funds, 2008-2018
- “Leading Lawyer” for Investment Funds in 2011-2012, 2014-2018; “Highly Regarded” in 2019-2020, IFLR 1000
- Editor, California Law Review

PROFESSIONAL / CIVIC ACTIVITIES

- The Law Society of Hong Kong

EDUCATION

- J.D., University of California, Berkeley, 1980
- B.A., Yale University, 1977

ADMISSIONS

- Bar of California
- Bar of New York
- Solicitor, Hong Kong

LANGUAGES

- English
- Korean

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP *POWERED BY HUB*

- April 2024 , Global Survey of ESG Regulations for Asset Managers
- 18 December 2023, ICMA's Code of Conduct for ESG Ratings and Data Products Providers—A Step Towards Consistent Global Standards
- 13 November 2023, Hong Kong Delays Implementation of Listing Rules Amendments for Climate Disclosures to 2025
- 3 November 2023, Hong Kong Backs Industry-Led Voluntary Code for ESG Ratings and Data Products Providers
- 14 January 2022, ESG Regulatory Developments in the UK, Japan, and Hong Kong
- 3 March 2021, Negotiating Private Equity Fund Terms - Session 2: Building On the Basics
- 24 February 2021, Negotiating Private Equity Fund Terms - Session 1: Let's Talk About the Basics

NEWS & EVENTS

- 5 August 2020, *Asian Legal Business*: K&L Gates snaps up PE trio in Hong Kong from exiting Orrick

MEDIA MENTIONS

- Mentioned, "APAC Fund Manager Briefing: Current Top of Mind Issues to Ponder On," *AIMA.org*, 11 March 2022

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Asset Management and Investment Funds
- ESG - Sustainable Investing

EMERGING ISSUES

- Environmental Social Governance (ESG)

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Advising one of the largest Asian government investors on its cross-border fund and related investments aggregating over US\$16 billion since the commencement of its alternative investment program over ten years ago.
- Counseling on the formation of many of the first Asia-based hedge funds and private equity and venture capital funds, including Prudential Asset Management Asia and HSBC Private Equity Asia, and pioneering cross-border investments by such funds as well as other Asia focused funds and venture investors, including China Vest and Walden International, in multiple jurisdictions including China, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Japan, Malaysia, Singapore, South Korea, Taiwan, Thailand, Vietnam and The Philippines.
- Advising on numerous initial public offerings of securities in the US and in Asia, including by Shanghai Petrochemical Company, the first Chinese company with its securities listed on both the Main Board of the SEHK and the NYSE, GCL-Poly Energy Holdings Limited, a leading renewable energy supplier, and China Hongqiao Group Limited, one of the largest aluminium product manufacturers in China.
- Advising pioneering Asian technology companies, including Alibaba, Taobao, Sina.com, in connection with fund raisings and related matters.