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OVERVIEW

Paul Haswell is a partner in the firm's Hong Kong office. He is a member of the Technology Transactions and Sourcing practice, and has over 20 years of experience specializing in both contentious and non-contentious TMT matters. He advises clients on wide-ranging issues including data and cybersecurity, telecommunications, outsourcing, licensing, cloud and datacenters, and evolving technologies such as artificial intelligence, cryptocurrency, and blockchain. He has worked on major technology disputes that have been resolved through litigation, arbitration, and mediation.

Paul is ranked among the leading TMT lawyers in Hong Kong and China by both the *Chambers Greater China Region* guide and *The Legal 500 Asia Pacific* guide. He also regularly speaks and presents on technology matters across Asia, on topics ranging from cloud computing and data protection to social media and AI.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Prior to joining the firm, Paul served as a partner for the Hong Kong office of an international firm. Paul was a member of the firm's international technology, media, and telecoms practice. Through this role, he leveraged his legal and technological acumen to assist clients worldwide with large-scale IT and telecommunications projects, as well as commercial contracts.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Recognized by *Chambers Greater China Region* for TMT: Information Technology (International Firms) in China, 2013-2024
- Recognized by *The Legal 500 Asia Pacific* as a Leading Individual for TMT in Hong Kong, 2024

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

Paul speaks regularly on technology-related issues across Asia, most recently giving a series of presentations on the impact of artificial intelligence to the British Chamber of Commerce and at the Singtel Cybersecurity Mesh

Forum, and on the challenges caused by new data protection regimes in the Asia region to the American Chamber of Commerce and the Infosecurity Summit.

In his spare time Paul DJs and presents a radio show in Hong Kong, and recently co-presented a TEDx talk on pioneering female musicians.

EDUCATION

- Postgraduate Diploma in Legal Practice, Oxford Institute of Legal Practice, 2000
- M.A., University of Oxford, 1998

ADMISSIONS

- Solicitor of the Senior Courts of England and Wales
- Solicitor, Hong Kong

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP *POWERED BY HUB*

- 26 February 2024, Anticipated Tightened Data Privacy Regulations: Raid on Worldcoin
- 7 December 2023, Regulating AI: Part II—The Potential Impact of Global Regulation of Artificial Intelligence

NEWS & EVENTS

- 18 January 2024, Chambers Greater China Region 2024 Guide Recognizes K&L Gates
- 17 January 2024, The Legal 500 Recognises K&L Gates in 2024 Asia Pacific Edition
- 4 September 2023, K&L Gates Welcomes Hong Kong Technology Partner

MEDIA MENTIONS

- Quoted, “Looking Back, and Moving Forward,” *Conventus Law*, 22 January 2024

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Technology Transactions and Sourcing