

Machiuanna Chu

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Machiuanna has more than 23 years' experience specialising in cross-border M&As, private equity and venture capital investments, joint ventures, and investment structure and advisory.

She has extensive experience in cross-border M&A and investment projects involving Hong Kong and mainland China.

Highlights

Her practice has a particular focus on new economies tech sector, she is accredited as Certified Information Privacy Professional for Asia by International Association of Privacy Professionals (IAPP). She has substantial experience in advising technology proprietors in commercialisation of technological inventions and building digital businesses. This ranges from providing commercial regulatory advice, advising clients on fund raising, share subscriptions, share swaps, growth of online platforms by way of the acquisition and integration of businesses owning complementary technology, and technology licensing. She also has experience advising on issuance of virtual assets including ICOs, subscriptions of future tokens, cryptocurrency exchanges, and related compliance issues in Hong Kong. Her clients include technology companies, cryptocurrency issuers, fintech companies, statutory bodies, financial institutions, and asset management companies.

Machiuanna also advises on foreign direct investment in the PRC including investment structures, establishment of foreign investment enterprises, labour issues, property issues, sino-foreign fund management joint ventures, corporate restructuring and investment exits in the PRC. She also counselled various property developers on acquisition of land use rights in the PRC, project development, and sale and purchase of property development and hotel projects in the PRC. Machiuanna is the Chief Representative of Deacons' Guangzhou Office since 2012.



Principal Areas

- China Trade & Investment
- Competition
- Corporate and M&A
 - Private M&A
- Corporate Services
- Data Protection and Privacy
- Investment Funds
 - Investing in China for Asset Managers

Sectors

- FinTech
- Funds and Investment Management
- Private Equity and Investment
- Technology, Media and Telecom

Languages

- English
- Cantonese
- Mandarin

Jurisdictions

- Hong Kong
- England and Wales (non-practising)

More about Machiuanna Chu

Accolades

- Leading Lawyer in Corporate/M&A (China) in Chambers Greater China Region (2022 – 2024)
- Recognised as Highly Regarded Lawyer for Corporate and M&A (Hong Kong) in IFLR1000 (2023 – 2024)
- Recognised as a Leading Lawyer for Commercial, Corporate and M&A: Independent Hong Kong Law Firms in Legal 500 Asia Pacific (2023 – 2024)
- Recognised as a Recommended Lawyer for Corporate including M&A in Legal 500 Asia Pacific (2021 – 2024)
- Recognised as a Recommended Lawyer for Technology, Media and Telecom (TMT) in Legal 500 Asia Pacific (2021 – 2024)
- Recognised as a Recommended Lawyer for Data Protection & Cyber Security in Legal 500 Asia Pacific (2024)
- Recognised as “The A-List 2023-24: Growth Drivers” in China Business Law Journal (2023)
- Recognised as a Recommended Lawyer for Antitrust and Competition in Legal 500 Asia Pacific (2021 – 2023)
- Recognised as a Recommended Lawyer for Corporate including M&A (China) in Legal 500 Asia Pacific (2021 – 2022)
- Recognised as a Leading Lawyer in Corporate/M&A (China) in Chambers Asia-Pacific (2019 – 2021)

Appointments/Memberships

- Competition Law Committee, Law Society of Hong Kong
- Member, Board of Director, World Services Group (2023 – 2024)
- Non-governmental Advisor, International Competition Network, appointed by The Hong Kong Competition Commission (2022 – 2024)
- Certified Information Privacy Professional/Asia
- Executive Committee Member, The Outward Bound Trust of Hong Kong Limited (pro-bono)
- Member, The Law Society of Hong Kong
- Member, The Law Society of England and Wales

Education

- PCLL, The University of Hong Kong (1999)
- LLB, The University of London (1998)
- BBA, The Chinese University of Hong Kong (1992)