Biography



Yucheng Fan

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Expertise

Investment Funds

Yucheng Fan is a partner in our Investment Funds group based in our Hong Kong office. He specialises in British Virgin Islands and Cayman Islands fund matters, advising on the structure, formation, launch, and maintenance of all types of funds, including private equity funds, venture capital funds, hedge funds, and fund of funds utilizing corporate (stand-alone and SPC), partnership as well unit trust structures.

Yucheng also covers transactions related to Web 3.0 space (digital assets, cryptocurrencies and blockchain), representing fund managers, investors and start-ups, including how offshore BVI and Cayman entities play a role when funds and fintech start-ups raise funds via methods such as Crypto funds, Web 3.0 funds, decentralised finance (**DeFi**), decentralised autonomous organisation (**DAO**) and simple agreement for future tokens (**SAFT**).

Yucheng is one of the only offshore lawyers with a Japanese attorney qualification (Bengoshi), practising British Virgin Islands and Cayman Islands law. His fluency in the Japanese language, familiarity with both Japanese general and business culture, as well as a legal career at both leading Japanese onshore and Cayman-headquartered offshore law firms, helps to differentiate his practice and offering in the market.

Yucheng frequently speaks at market leading events on topics related to funds and Web 3.0 space.

Prior to joining Harneys, Yucheng was at the Hong Kong office of another offshore law firm and also worked with Anderson Mori & Tomotsune in Japan (which included a secondment to Hengeler Mueller in Dusseldorf, Germany). He also completed a legal apprenticeship at The Legal Training and Research Institute of the Supreme Court of Japan.

Yucheng is native in Japanese and Mandarin, fluent in German and English.

Recommendations

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Experience

Advised Endeavour United on the closing of its JP¥53 billion new Japan buyout fund.

Bar Admissions

England and Wales 2021

British Virgin Islands 2021

New York 2018

Japan (Bengoshi) 2012

Education

Stanford Law School (LLM) 2017

Hitotsubashi Law School (JD) 2011

Keio University (BA) 2009

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