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OVERVIEW

Eugene Yeung is a partner in the firm's Finance practice. His practice combines strengths in both asset finance and restructuring in Asia. He represents Hong Kong listed corporations, institutional lenders, insolvency appointment takers, turnaround financial advisors, and investors in distressed situations. Eugene is particularly focused on the aviation sector, where he advises airlines, lessors, aviation specialist financiers, and business jet owners on a broad range of regional and local commercial, financing, and restructuring transactions.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Prior to joining the firm, Eugene served as counsel in the finance department at a full-service global law firm. His practice covers the entire aviation finance business cycle, fleet acquisition, financing and refinancing, distressed M&A, disposals, and enforcements. He is a qualified accountant and chartered financial analyst.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Recognized by *Chambers Greater China Region* for Restructuring/Insolvency (International Firms) in China, 2024-2026
- Recognized by *The Legal 500 Asia Pacific* in Hong Kong
 - Restructuring and Insolvency, 2018, 2020-2021
 - Asset Finance, 2021
- Named a Rising Star for Aviation in Hong Kong by Expert Guides, Euromoney, 2019

PROFESSIONAL / CIVIC ACTIVITIES

- Notary Public, Hong Kong
- Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA)
- Certified Practising Accountant, CPA Australia

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Panelist, “Re-focusing on Mediation,” The Hague CAA Conference, The Hague, 2024
- Panelist, “Legal Risks in Aviation Finance,” Airline Economics Frontiers, Dubai, 2018 and 2019
- Panelist, “Building an Asian Aircraft Lessor ABS or Airline EETC,” Ishka Investival Asia, Hong Kong, 2019
- Speaker, “What is Cape Town Convention,” Airline Economics Frontier, Korea, 2019
- Speaker, “Common Issues in Restructuring Asset-Based Loans and Aircraft Leases,” Oppland Air’s Aircraft Finance and Lease Risk Management Seminar, Xiamen, 2018

EDUCATION

- P.C.LL., The University of Hong Kong
- Graduate Diploma in Legal Practice, College of Law
- LL.B., B.Com., The University of New South Wales

ADMISSIONS

- Bar of New York
- Solicitor of the Senior Courts of England and Wales
- Solicitor, Hong Kong
- Supreme Court of New South Wales, (non-practising)

LANGUAGES

- Chinese (Cantonese)
- Chinese (Mandarin)
- English

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- Co-Author, [International Insolvency & Restructuring Review 2023/24: Hong Kong Chapter](#), *Beaumont Capital Markets*
- “[Restructuring & Insolvency Q&A: Hong Kong](#)”, *The Legal 500 Country Comparative Guide*, 2021
- Co-author, Hong Kong: Restructuring & Insolvency, *The Legal 500 Comparative Guide*, 2020
- “Winter Survival Guide,” *Airline Economics Aviation Law Yearbook*, 2019

NEWS & EVENTS

- 15 January 2026, *Chambers Greater China Region 2026 Guide* Recognizes K&L Gates
- 20 March 2025, *INSOL Hong Kong 2025: Multijurisdictional Insolvency Insights: A Global Discussion*
- 16 January 2025, *Chambers Greater China Region 2025 Guide* Recognizes K&L Gates
- 18 January 2024, *Chambers Greater China Region 2024 Guide* Recognizes K&L Gates
- 12 July 2022, K&L Gates Advises on Acquisition of Media Assets of Apple Daily Taiwan
- 25 May 2021, K&L Gates Expands Restructuring and Insolvency and Aviation Finance Practices With New Partner Hire in Hong Kong

OTHER MEDIA MENTIONS

- Mentioned, "[Turn Capital's Acquisition of Media Assets of Apple Daily Taiwan](#)," *Global Legal Chronicle*, 13 July 2022

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Restructuring and Insolvency
- Aviation Finance
- Corporate and Acquisition Finance
- Securitization and Structured Finance

INDUSTRIES

- Aviation
- Transportation and Logistics

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Advising a leading Chinese non-performing asset management company on restructuring and enforcement options relating to a US\$1.1billion property refinancing in mainland China
- Advising the receivers of shares in a subsidiary of a major real estate-listed company and on the disposal of a portfolio of real estate properties in the United States
- Advising the majority creditor in the contested schemes of arrangement and winding-up applications of Differ Group Auto Limited (listed in Hong Kong), and on the appointment of liquidators by way of regulating order

- Advising a listed company in Hong Kong (a subsidiary of a large conglomerate under bankruptcy protection in mainland China) on its resumption of trading on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange
- Advising the liquidators on asset preservation and winding down of a family-owned electronics manufacturer resulting from a shareholder dispute
- Advising the receivers on the disposal of a business jet
- Advising a large Hong Kong-based lessor on a fleet of 28 aircrafts on lease to Hong Kong Airlines, representing over a third of the US\$6.2 billion debt restructured through Hong Kong and UK court proceedings
- Advising the petitioning creditor (a family office) in the contested winding-up application of Xiwang Special Steel Company Limited and the appointment of liquidators
- Advising a substantial shareholder in the restructuring and refinancing of investment arrangements in a real estate-listed company subject to a winding-up petition
- Advising a leading Chinese non-performing asset management company on the restructuring of an investment fund co-invested with a real estate-listed company subject to a winding-up petition
- Advising a large pension fund as sponsor in three distressed real estate investments in mainland China
- Advising one of the creditors in the restructuring of leases and associated debt for two wide-body aircraft on lease to AirAsiaX
- Advising a leading US bank on various bilateral lending and refinancings in Hong Kong and Singapore
- Advising a leading brokerage house in Hong Kong on various stock lending and borrowing arrangements with its clients
- Advising a Japanese bank on the refinancing of various secured lending transactions, including aircraft-related loans