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PROFILE

Jeremy Sia is the founder and Managing Director of 26 Gambit Chambers LLC, where he practises as independent counsel in commercial litigation and international arbitration, with a particular focus on Chinese-related investment disputes, international trade and construction matters. He is dual-qualified, admitted as an Advocate and Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Singapore and as a Solicitor of the Senior Courts of England and Wales.

Jeremy has acted for multinational corporations, state-owned enterprises, financial institutions and high-net-worth individuals in complex, high-value disputes – before the Singapore courts at every level, including the Singapore International Commercial Court, the Court of Appeal and the Court of Three Judges, and in arbitrations under the SIAC, ICC, LMAA and GAFTA rules. Highlights of his practice include one of the largest court-ordered share buy-outs in the history of the Singapore courts (in excess of US\$600 million), emergency arbitration proceedings arising from a US\$10 billion cross-border merger, and an ICC arbitration for a Chinese state-owned enterprise concerning the operations of a nuclear power plant in southwest China.

His experience spans shareholder and joint venture disputes, international trade and shipping, construction and infrastructure, contentious insolvency, civil fraud, and regulatory and disciplinary proceedings.

Before founding 26 Gambit Chambers, Jeremy was an Associate Director in the commercial litigation and international arbitration practice of Drew & Napier LLC, one of Singapore's "Big Four" firms, having previously practised as a Senior Associate at Dentons Rodyk & Davidson LLP. He subsequently practised in London in a specialist international trade and shipping firm, before returning to Singapore to establish the firm. He began his career in the litigation and dispute resolution practice of Tan Rajah & Cheah.

Jeremy works in both English and Mandarin, and regularly acts for Chinese clients on cross-border disputes and investments.

SELECTED EXPERIENCE

International arbitration

- Acted for a Chinese state-owned nuclear energy company in an ICC arbitration commenced by a French nuclear technology company and its Chinese subsidiary, arising from a joint venture dispute concerning the operations of a nuclear power plant in southwest China.
- Acted for a global multimedia conglomerate and its Indian corporate arm in emergency arbitration proceedings before the Singapore International Arbitration Centre, seeking interim relief to restrain India's largest listed media company from pursuing court proceedings to enforce a US\$10 billion merger.
- Acted for a listed Malaysian company in a SIAC arbitration against Singapore and Indonesian counterparties for breaches of a joint venture agreement concerning the development of an oil palm plantation in Indonesia, with claims exceeding US\$100 million.
- Acted for the founder of one of the Philippines' largest coffee product distributors in a SIAC arbitration against a global coffee products manufacturer, concerning put and call options governing the buy-out of the founder's shares.
- Acted for a time charterer in an LMAA arbitration against a British listed multinational oil and gas company in relation to vessel underperformance claims.

- Acted for a major Japanese agricultural group in a GAFTA arbitration against a shipowner and a Saudi Arabian buyer arising from the contamination of a grain cargo.

Commercial litigation and civil fraud

- Acted for a joint venture company before the Singapore International Commercial Court in resisting a minority shareholder’s application to hold it jointly and severally liable for a court-ordered buy-out of shares exceeding US\$600 million – among the largest in the history of the Singapore courts – in proceedings involving several novel points of law: *Kiri Industries Ltd v Senda International Capital Ltd and DyStar Global Holdings (Singapore) Pte Ltd* [2024] SGHC(I) 14.
- Successfully acted for the claimant in Singapore High Court proceedings for fraudulent and negligent misrepresentation and unlawful conspiracy against multiple real estate developers and their officers, arising from the sale and purchase of a property in Niseko, Japan: *Astrawati Aluwi v Lo Yew Seng and another* [2025] SGHC 188.
- Acted as lead counsel in successfully obtaining a worldwide Mareva injunction against a majority shareholder in minority oppression proceedings before the Singapore High Court.
- Acted for a supplier of polymer and silicone parts in Singapore High Court claims against its former directors for breaches of fiduciary duty, involving the diversion of business opportunities and the siphoning of approximately US\$20 million to related companies.

Construction and infrastructure

- Acted as defence counsel for a leading insurer in Singapore High Court proceedings brought by a global shipping company under a contractor’s all-risks policy, arising from the collapse of a seawall during construction.
- Regularly acts in adjudications under the Building and Construction Industry Security of Payment Act, and advises on joint venture agreements between construction and infrastructure corporations.

Contentious insolvency

- Acted as lead counsel for a global financial technology company in successfully resisting an application by its investors for the appointment of interim judicial managers, and acted for the company before the General Division of the High Court and the Court of Appeal in resisting the appointment of judicial managers: *Point72 Ventures Investments LLC v FinLync Pte Ltd and others* [2023] SGHC 122.
- Acted for the Hong Kong-appointed liquidators of a shipping company in obtaining recognition of the winding-up order and of their appointment in Singapore, under the UNCITRAL Model Law on Cross-Border Insolvency.

Regulatory, criminal and disciplinary

- Acted as defence counsel for the project director and project engineer of a construction company in criminal and regulatory proceedings under the Workplace Safety and Health Act 2006, arising from the collapse of a Pan-Island Expressway viaduct – a matter widely reported in the national media.
- Acted as defence counsel for a prominent psychiatrist before the Court of Three Judges of the Supreme Court of Singapore in relation to allegations of medical malpractice: *Ang Yong Guan v Singapore Medical Council* [2024] SGHC 126.
- Advised the director of a Singapore-incorporated bunker supplier on potential criminal proceedings for fraudulent trading arising from regulatory enforcement findings by the Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore, including his potential exposure to extradition from Hong Kong.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Advocate and Solicitor, Supreme Court of the Republic of Singapore
- Solicitor, Senior Courts of England and Wales
- Bachelor of Laws (LLB), University of Bristol
- Languages: English and Mandarin Chinese