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Katherine Chew is a Partner in the Corporate team in DLA Piper's Singapore office.

Katherine has more than 16 years of experience advising on corporate and employment matters across South East Asia.

Katherine's practice covers multi-jurisdictional mergers & acquisitions, market entry and corporate establishment advice, commercial contracts, corporate leases and general corporate advisory matters. Katherine leads our corporate reorganisations practice in Singapore, having acted for numerous multinational corporations in pre-acquisition and pre-closing reorganisations, post-acquisition integrations and tax driven reorganisations.

Katherine is also a ranked employment lawyer and regularly advises her clients on all aspects of the employment cycle which enables her to guide clients through all employment issues for acquisitions and reorganisations.

- Corporate
- Employment
- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Real Estate

English Chinese  
(Mandarin)

## LANGUAGES SPOKEN

- English
- Chinese (Mandarin)

- Acted for a consumer care, lighting, healthcare and infrastructure engineering company on its US\$144 million multi-jurisdictional acquisition of a fast moving consumer goods company involving manufacturing facilities in China and Malaysia and marketing entities in China, Hong Kong, Malaysia, Singapore, Taiwan and Thailand
- Acted for a French listed specialty chemicals company on the sale of its distribution and agency business in Asia spanning nine Asia Pacific jurisdictions including Australia, India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, Taiwan, Thailand, Singapore and Vietnam
- Acted for a private equity fund in the China, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Korea, Malaysia, Singapore, Thailand and Vietnam aspects of its £162 million sale of an undisclosed equity stake in its education group
- Acted for the global leader in stored energy solutions for industrial applications, in the acquisition of the leading power and energy

storage solutions provider in Malaysia and Singapore

- Acted for France's largest advertising company, in respect of its acquisitions of a Malaysian-based premier interactive digital agency, India's leading performance marketing agency with a footprint in India, Seattle, Dubai and Singapore and a leading mobile firm in Singapore with operations in New York, Sweden and Singapore
- Acted for a private equity holding company in the Singapore aspects of its US\$225 million divestment of a food manufacturing business in Singapore and China to one of the world's leading marketers and producers of food (Cross Border Deal of the Year, Middle Markets - *M&A Atlas Awards*)

## CREDENTIALS

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### Professional Qualifications

- Solicitor of the Senior Courts of England and Wales
- Advocate and Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Singapore

### Recognitions

- **Chambers Asia-Pacific:** Ranked Practitioner in Employment: International (2022)
- **Singapore Business Review:** Singapore most influential lawyers aged 40 and under (2018)

### Education

- National University of Singapore, LL.B. (2nd Class Upper Honours, Dean's List), 2005
- Postgraduate Practical Law Course: Board of Legal Education Singapore (Ranked 10th), 2006

## INSIGHTS

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### Publications

#### Asia Pacific Employment Law Forecast 2021

16 February 2021

DLA Piper's APAC Employment Team has prepared their annual employment law forecast featuring a summary of the major legislative changes and key developments in 2020 that impacted the region and which also explores significant trends expected to shape the landscape for employers in 2021.

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#### Mass layoffs and collective redundancies guide

6 October 2020

As COVID-19 continues to impact the global economy in unprecedented ways, companies that have had to scale back or shut down operations are bracing for what the next few months will bring, and what this means for their workforces. In this guide, we examine key considerations for employers looking to make permanent reductions in force across APAC.

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#### Singapore: Tightening of work pass requirements

28 August 2020

The COVID-19 pandemic has severely affected business and employees all over the globe, including Singapore. Due to the generally weak job market and the unpredictable growth outlook, the Ministry of Manpower announced certain measures in a statement released

on 27 August 2020 as summarized in this article.

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Lexology Getting the Deal Through: Corporate Reorganisations, Singapore – 2020, 2021 and 2022

## Events

### Previous

#### APAC Employment Year in Review Webinar

3 February 2021  
Webinar

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#### Doing Business Globally: Singapore

4 November 2020  
Webinar

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#### APAC Employment Law Update

15 October 2020  
Webinar

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#### Regional downsizings and redundancies in the time of coronavirus

3 July 2020 | 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM (HKT)  
Webinar

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## NEWS

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#### DLA Piper advises US flexible workspace company Industrious on Asia expansion

13 June 2022  
DLA Piper has advised Industrious, the flexible workspace company backed by CBRE Group, on its acquisition of co-working space operator The Great Room, as part of the company's plan to expand its footprint internationally.

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#### DLA Piper announces partnership promotions for 2021

28 April 2021

DLA Piper is proud to announce that 44 lawyers have been promoted to its partnership. The promotions are effective as of April 1, 2021 in the United States and May 1, 2021 for EMEA and Asia Pacific. The promotions have been made across many of the firm's practice

areas in 33 different offices throughout 17 countries.

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## **DLA Piper advises Elisa on the acquisition of camLine Group**

18 January 2021

DLA Piper has advised the Finnish telecommunications and digital services company Elisa on the acquisition of German-based industrial software provider camLine Group.

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