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Suhaib is a dispute resolution partner, and his portfolio includes civil and commercial litigation, international and domestic arbitration, corporate litigation and shareholders' disputes, estate disputes, fraud, and asset recovery. He has appeared at all tiers of the Malaysian courts. He is a member of the Halal Practice Group in Skrine and is also the current President of the Malaysian Institute of Arbitrators.

He has appeared as junior counsel in domestic and international arbitrations, under both AIAC and ICC Rules. He has also been involved in arbitral-related court proceedings such as applications to set aside and enforce arbitral awards.

Suhaib was part of a team acting for a beneficiary in a cross-border estate dispute surrounding assets in Malaysia, Hongkong and Shanghai.

He also has experience acting in fraud and asset recovery disputes including obtaining interim injunctions, freezing and search orders. He regularly works with various leading law firms in Singapore, Hong Kong, United Kingdom, and the British Virgin Islands.

Key Practice Areas

Civil and Commercial Litigation
Domestic and International Arbitration
Corporate Litigation and Shareholders' Disputes
Estate Disputes
Fraud and Asset Recovery

Selected Experience

Civil and Commercial Litigation

- ❖ Acting as counsel for a local statutory body in multiple court hearings involving claims by employees under the Employment Injury and Invalidity Schemes [*Macro Dimension Concrete Sdn Bhd v Ketua Pengarah, Pertubuhan Keselamatan Sosial (Perkeso) & Anor* [2022] MLJU 1602; *Ho Fook Keong v Ketua Pengarah Pertubuhan Keselamatan Sosial* [2023] MLJU 1634 (HC); *Angie Tan Lin Li v Ketua Pengarah Keselamatan Sosial* [2024] MLJU 1701 (HC)]; .

- ❖ Acted for a subsidiary of a Malaysian public listed company, wherein the disputes relate to alleged breaches of contracts by various individuals with a collective amount in dispute of approximately RM 1 million.
- ❖ Acting as junior counsel for a Saudi Arabian private company, to enforce and execute a United Kingdom High Court Judgment of approximately USD 10 million against Malaysian individuals.
- ❖ Acted as junior counsel for a Malaysian limited company, wherein the dispute related to an alleged breach of duties cause by a former employee with an amount in dispute of approximately RM 10 million.
- ❖ Acted as junior counsel for a Malaysian private company, wherein the dispute related to a breach of contract with an amount in dispute of approximately RM 5 million including obtaining a freezing order on an urgent basis.
- ❖ Acted as co-counsel for regulator of the Malaysian capital market in committal proceedings filed against the former directors of a public listed company for their failure to make restitution of monies which had been wrongfully paid out by said directors from the company's resources [*Tengku Dato' Kamal Ibni Sir Sultan Abu Bakar & Ors v Bursa Malaysia Securities Bhd* [2022] 3 MLJ 294 (FC)].

International and Domestic Arbitration

- ❖ Acting as junior counsel on behalf of a state-owned oil and gas company in an AIAC arbitration claim in excess of RM 380 million in respect of an engineering, procurement, construction, installation, and commissioning contract for an offshore production unit.
- ❖ Acting as junior counsel on behalf of a European bank and a Singaporean private company against a private Malaysian company in relation to enforcement issues and arbitral proceedings (with seat in a foreign state as well as in Malaysia) [*Tumpuan Megah Development Sdn Bhd v ING Bank NV & Anor* [2025] 7 AMR 1 (FC); and [2025] MLJU 2464 (HC)] .
- ❖ Acted as junior counsel in an AIAC arbitration for a foreign subsidiary of a European public listed company, wherein the dispute pertained to an oppression action filed by the minority shareholder of a Malaysian private limited company with an amount in dispute of approximately RM 45 million.

- ❖ Acted as junior counsel in an ICC arbitration for a private Malaysian company, wherein the dispute pertained to a breach of contract action filed by a German multinational conglomerate with an amount in dispute of approximately RM 9 million.
- ❖ Acted as junior counsel in an AIAC arbitration for a Malaysian listed company, wherein the dispute pertained to breach of contract action surrounding the construction of a school with an amount in dispute of approximately RM 40 million.

Corporate Litigation and Shareholder Disputes

- ❖ Acted as junior counsel for a majority shareholder and director to oppose an oppression action for a shareholder buyout in a Malaysian private company which settled through private mediation.
- ❖ Acted as junior counsel for a former director of a Malaysian public company, wherein the dispute pertains to alleged breach of duties with an amount in dispute of approximately RM 100 million.
- ❖ Acted as junior counsel for former directors of a Malaysian public company, wherein the dispute pertains to attempts to remove the entire Board and reconstitute the same through extraordinary general meetings including obtaining interim reliefs on an urgent basis to maintain status quo.
- ❖ Acted as junior counsel for a minority shareholder and director in an oppression action to regain control over a Malaysian private company including obtaining a search order against various counterparties on an urgent basis.

Estate Disputes

- ❖ Acted as junior counsel for a beneficiary wherein the dispute relates to the alleged misappropriation of assets belonging to the estate of deceased in various jurisdictions, including obtaining injunctive reliefs to prevent further dealing with the assets.
- ❖ Acted as junior counsel for a beneficiary wherein the dispute relates to the alleged breach of duties against joint executrices of the estate of the deceased.

Fraud and Asset Recovery

- ❖ Acting for a sovereign wealth fund in its claim against various individuals (including members of its former senior management and board of directors) for the recovery of proceeds of fraud in excess of US\$1 billion which was misappropriated at the behest of an international fugitive on behalf of a former public official in Malaysia.
- ❖ Acted as supervising solicitors in the execution of a search order against a Malaysian individual and private company surrounding a claim of misappropriation of company funds with an amount in dispute of approximately USD 400,000.
- ❖ Acted for a subsidiary of foreign public-listed company in the investigation and litigation for the recovery of proceeds of fraud in excess of RM 80 million by various individuals including obtaining an urgent freezing and search orders in Malaysia and abroad [*Toyota Tsusho (M) Sdn Bhd v Lau Kum Foon & Ors* [2019] 10 MLJ 596 (HC)].
- ❖ Advised a wholly owned subsidiary of a Malaysian government agency, including liaising with the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission wherein the dispute pertained to alleged breach of directors' duties, conspiracy, and dishonest assistance with an amount in dispute of approximately RM 80 million.
- ❖ Advised a wholly owned subsidiary of a Malaysian government agency, wherein the dispute pertained to alleged breach of directors' duties, breach of trust, and dishonest assistance with an amount in dispute amounting to GBP 14 million.

Qualifications & Professional Affiliations

Qualification:

Advocate and Solicitor, High Court of Malaya (2016)
 LL.M (Corporate and Commercial Law), Cornell Law School (2015)
 Barrister-at-Law (Lincoln's Inn) (2015)
 LL. B (Hons), University of Manchester (2013)

Professional Affiliations:

President, The Malaysian Institute of Arbitrators 2025/2027
 Honorary Treasurer, The Malaysian Institute of Arbitrators 2023/2025
 Council Member, The Malaysian Institute of Arbitrators 2019/2022
 Member, The Malaysian Institute of Arbitrators

Publications & Talks

Publications:

- Co-Author, "*Landmark Federal Court Ruling confirms Foreign Confirmation Judgments of Arbitral Awards enforceable through Reciprocal Enforcement of Judgments Act*", August 2025

- Co- Author, “*The Semantan Estate Saga: A Tale As Old As Time*”, Skrine Legal Insights, July 2025
- Author, “*Court of Appeal adopts Generous Approach in Interpreting Section 7 of the Covid-19 Act*”, Skrine Legal Insights, December 2024
- Co-Author, Malaysian Chapter - Commercial Arbitration 2023, 2024 and 2025, GAR Review
- Co-Author, Malaysia - Dispute Resolution 2020, 2021, 2022 Lexology: Getting the Deal Through
- Co-Author, “*Federal Court orders former directors to restore monies or be imprisoned*”, Skrine Legal Insights, April 2022
- Author, “*Federal Territories Fatwa: Preservation of Muslim Corpses infected with Infectious Diseases in times of Covid 19*”, Skrine Legal Insights, July 2021
- Author, “*Federal Territories Fatwa: Zakat Pendapatan to be paid based on workplace*”, Skrine Legal Insights, June 2021
- Author, “*Draft Document on the Malaysia Procedure of the Recognition of Foreign Halal Certification Bodies*”, Skrine Legal Insights, March 2021
- Author, “*Applications to Transfer Cases, A New Twist to the Tale?*”, Skrine Legal Insights, November 2022
- Co- Author “*ICC Guidance Note on mitigating the effects of COVID-19 in arbitral proceedings*”, Skrine Legal Insights, April 2020
- Author, “*Bank Negara SAC’s Findings Binding on Civil Courts*”, Skrine Legal Insights, July 2019

Talks:

- Speakers “*Appropriate Dispute Resolution in Action*”, BIM-AIAC ADR Summit, May 2025
- Emcee, “*The Malaysian Institute of Arbitrators 8th Annual Law Review*”, November 2024
- Speaker, “*Careers in Alternative Dispute Resolution Compared to Litigation*”, KPUM Legal Fair, August 2024
- Speaker, “*A Dive into the Art of Litigation (II)*”, KPUM Legal Fair, August 2023
- Speaker “*Arbitration Award, Challenge and Enforcement*”, Bar Council Continuing Professional Development Series, September 2022
- Speaker “*Fraud Investigations and Recovery Tool Kit*”, Skrine Professional Development Presentation, January 2022
- Speaker, “*Career Pathways - Law School to Private Practice*”, KPUM Legal Fair webinar, April 2021
- Emcee, “*The Jonathan Yoon MIARB Debate Series*”, Malaysian Institute of Arbitrators, February 2020