



# Shawn Ho

## PARTNER

Shawn is experienced in corporate matters such as acquisitions, cross-border transactions, restructuring exercises, sale of businesses, joint venture arrangements, shareholder agreements, and franchise businesses.

His background in tax advisory has enabled him to assist several multi-national companies achieve considerable tax-savings through cross-border tax planning, implementing tax-efficient structures using Labuan companies, and incorporate tax advice into commercial transactions.

Shawn was admitted as an advocate and solicitor of the High Court of Malaya in 2006. From 2006 to 2010, he was an associate in the tax practice group of Wong & Partners (member firm of Baker & McKenzie).

From 2010 to 2014, prior to the founding of Donovan & Ho, he practiced as a sole proprietor and extended his practice areas and knowledge to real-estate transactions and advising on real-estate related tax planning, including stamp duty, use of tax efficient investment structures for property investment, real property gains tax and income tax.

As a firm believer in life-long learning, and driven by his interest in property, Shawn is currently pursuing his qualifications under the Property Management, Valuation & Estate Agency Surveying exams by the Royal Institution of Surveyors Malaysia.

## PRACTICE AREAS

- Corporate & Commercial
- Tax Advisory
- Property Development & Conveyancing
- Contracts

## QUALIFICATIONS

- Advocate and Solicitor of the High Court of Malaya
- LLB (Hons), King's College London
- Barrister, Lincoln's Inn

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## NOTABLE MATTERS

- Representing a global logistics company with multi-country corporate restructuring exercise
- Securing a sizable stamp duty exemption for an MNC's corporate restructuring (share and asset transfer)
- Sale of franchise outlet in the food & beverage industry
- Negotiation and acquisition of franchise rights in the food & beverage industry
- Corporate restructuring of group of companies in the manufacturing industry
- Joint venture arrangement for development of residential estate
- Shareholder agreements for online gaming, cosmetic products, food & beverage and manufacturing industries
- Extension of leasehold property and conversion of land use
- Acquisition of industrial factory, commercial office, condominium, service residence and land