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THE FIRM

Kadir Andri & Partners (KAAP) was established under the name Kadir Kassim & Co. in 1976. Since its inception, KAAP has established itself as a premier legal firm of stellar reputation in Malaysia and abroad. KAAP has acted on some of the most prominent and complex transactions in Malaysia and is recognised for its ability to deliver innovative legal solutions. The firm consistently ranks in the top brackets of various industry surveys.

Each practice group is led by accomplished partners who have distinguished themselves in their particular fields of expertise and have the specialist legal skills, industry experience and regional know-how to deliver commercially astute and practical solutions. KAAP's clients, which include government entities, sovereign wealth funds, financial institutions, investment funds, multinationals, and companies of all sizes across a diverse range of industries in and outside Malaysia, value the firm's ethics, enterprise and energy as a trusted advisor.

AREAS OF PRACTICE

KAAP specialises in the following areas of practice: corporate and M&A, capital markets, banking and finance, energy, infrastructure and utilities and corporate and debt restructuring.

With respect to its corporate and M&A practice, KAAP has advised on many transactions encompassing a wide range of structures and techniques, including acquisitions of companies and businesses, takeover offers, demergers, schemes of arrangement and selective capital reduction exercises. The firm has considerable experience in the privatisation of public companies by way of innovative legal structures.

The capital markets practice has garnered many accolades in the marketplace for its notable work on public and private securities offerings, initial public offerings, Rule 144A and Regulation S offerings, Sukuk issuances and other private debt securities.

KAAP offers a full range of legal services in banking and finance, and has considerable experience in the structuring and documentation of a variety of financing transactions, both conventional and Shariah compliant. The firm is regularly engaged in transactions relating to structured finance, securitisation, leveraged buy-outs, syndicated financing and acquisition financing. The firm has also advised on complex and innovative deals especially those involving Shariah compliant structures. In addition the firm is actively involved in project financing having advised on the financing of large infrastructure and utility projects such as highways as well as power projects.

LANGUAGES

English
Malay
Mandarin and other
Chinese dialects

KAAP has considerable experience in the area of concessions, public-private initiatives, projects and construction work and is also very well versed with the oil and gas sector having advised on various matters related to production sharing agreements, offshore drilling contracts, mining and prospecting contracts. In the utilities sector, the firm has extensive experience in many subsectors including water, energy and waste water.

KAAP handles dispute resolution work at both trial and appellate level and also advises clients in alternative dispute resolution processes. The dispute resolution practice has considerable experience in areas such as employment, construction, defamation, receivership, corporate disputes and commercial and international arbitration.

MAIN CONTACTS

Corporate and M&A	Tan Kong Yam
Corporate and M&A	Samuel Hong
Corporate and M&A	Chin Wee Sing
Corporate and M&A	Andy Teoh Tuck Wah
Capital Markets	Tan Kong Yam
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Banking and finance	Dato' Andri Aidham Badri
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Banking and finance	Shamshul Iskandar Zulkifli
Energy, infrastructure and utilities	Dato' Andri Aidham Badri
Restructuring and insolvency	Tan Kong Yam

STAFF FIGURES

Number of lawyers : 26

CORPORATE AND M&A

TIER 2

Kadir Andri & Partners is commended for its provision of *'sound and comprehensive advice'*, and counts high-value M&A, disposals, voluntary takeovers and general financial advisory matters, with notable expertise in the banking and finance arena. Counting domestic companies among its key roster of clients, the practice is led by Tan Kong Yam, who is *'not only technically strong, but has impressive commercial understanding and logic'*. Other key contacts include Samuel Hong and Chin Wee Sing.

Leading individuals

Samuel Hong

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CAREER

Samuel joined Kadir Andri & Partners in 2007. Samuel practices in the area of corporate and commercial law, including mergers and acquisitions, securities regulation, corporate restructuring, joint ventures, inward investments and equity offerings. Samuel is consistently listed in the legal publications as being a leading lawyer in his field.

Tan Kong Yam

CAREER

Kong Yam is a founder partner of the Firm. He read in the chambers of Kadir Kassim at Kadir, Tan & Ramli, and thereafter served as a legal assistant in Kadir, Tan & Ramli until 2000, after which he was made a partner.

Kong Yam currently heads the Firm's corporate practice and his experience encompasses mergers and acquisitions ("M&A"), capital markets, financial services advisory, corporate real property (including real estate investment trusts) and general corporate advisory and transactional matters.

Andy Teoh Tuck Wah

CAREER

Andy Teoh Tuck Wah read in the chambers of Mr Tan Kong Yam at Kadir, Andri & Partners, and thereafter served as legal associate at KAAP until 2022, after which he was made a partner.

Chin Wee Sing

CAREER

Wee Sing first joined Kadir Andri & Partners in 2005 and was made partner in 2012.

Wee Sing's work covers providing advice on corporate transactions, with a focus on mergers and acquisitions, securities regulations and equity fund raising exercises.