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Overview

Sandy Zhang is a senior legal manager of JSM's Banking & Finance practice. Sandy has more than 17 years legal working experience including two years working experience with Central Chambers Law Corporation in Singapore and one year secondment to Mayer Brown LLP's New York office. She acts for banks and other financial institutions on ship and container finance and leasing transactions, and for shipowners in relation to financing and refinancing of vessels and containers, sale and purchase of vessels and containers and registration of ships. She advises on shipbuilding contracts, refund guarantees, PRC foreign exchange issues and financing structures. She is experienced in drafting term sheets, loan, leasing and security documents, management agreements and chartering documents. Sandy also advises on commercial and corporate matters. She has experience with drafting and negotiation of commercial documentation, and mergers and acquisitions. During her secondment she advises on financial institutions in US and cross-border financings, with a particular focus on secured transactions and international project finance and providing transactional counsel to corporate borrowers and to financial advisors and representing US and non-US parties in domestic and cross-border loan financings. She resides in Hong Kong.

Experience

- Advised a leading PRC financial leasing company on the operating lease of two newly-built LPG vessels.
- Advised a leading PRC financial leasing company on the sale and leaseback of a newly built gas vessel.
- Advised a leading PRC financial leasing company on the sale and leaseback for three bulk carriers.
- Advised a leading PRC financial leasing company on the operating lease of a bulk carrier under construction.

- Advised a Hong Kong-listed financial leasing company on the financial leasing of 16 new and second-hand bulk carriers and tankers.
- Advised a Hong Kong-listed financial leasing company as borrower on certain refinancing of existing finance leasing.
- Advised a Hong Kong-listed financial leasing company as lender on a loan to a Hong Kong company for four container vessels.
- Advised a Hong Kong-listed financial leasing company as lender on a loan to a Hong Kong company for four container vessels.
- Advised a syndicate of lenders on the refinancing of 11 vessels owned by a Japanese company.
- Advised a syndicate of lenders on the financing of two new buildings owned by a Japanese company.
- Advised a syndicate of lenders on the refinancing of three container vessels under a finance lease structure.
- Advised a syndicate of lenders on the refinancing of two cruise ships.
- Advised a Taiwanese financial institution on the refinancing of two tankers.
- Advised a Taiwanese financial institution on the financing of a bulk carrier.
- Advised a container leasing company on the financing, leasing, sale and purchase and off-balance sheet financing of containers.

Recognition

- Recommended – Asset Finance, Hong Kong – *The Legal 500 Asia Pacific* (2023, 2024)

Qualifications

Education

- Durham University, LLM
- Dalian Maritime University, PRC, LLB

Admissions

- PRC

Languages

- English
- Mandarin