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Previously, he was the General Manager / Legal Advisor of Lembaga Tabung Haji and a council member of the Malaysian Bar for the term 2018/2019 and 2019/2020. He was previously the Chairperson of the Islamic Finance Committee, Co-chairperson of the International Professional Services Committee, and currently the Co-Deputy Chairperson of the Constitutional Law Committee of the Malaysian Bar Council. He was also, previously a Commissioner of Suruhanjaya Perkhidmatan Air Negara.

He specialises in corporate, energy, utility transactions, and has extensive experience in large-scale projects including Kuala Lumpur City Centre (KLCC), Putrajaya, Kuala Lumpur International Airport (KLIA), and Kwasa Damansara. As the head of Energy and Utilities Practice Group, the Legal 500 Asia-Pacific has rated his practice as one of the Top Tier law firm practice in Malaysia. He has been involved in various independent power producer (IPP) projects both local and overseas. He has advised among others the Bakun Hydro power purchase agreement (PPA), Genting power plant PPA extension, the aborted East to West Malaysia submarine power cable line, and acquisition of Indonesian power plants and coal mines. In 2005, he acted for the Government of Malaysia in restructuring the nation's water industries which involved the amendment of the Federal Constitution and the drafting and enactment of the Water Services Industry Act 2006 and the water rules thereunder together with the establishment of Suruhanjaya Perkhidmatan Air Negara.



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