

Ao Chen

Senior Associate

New York

Biography

Ao Chen has broad experience advising corporations, private equity firms, commercial banks, and alternative credit providers on a variety of debt financing transactions. Whether it's representing clients in large-cap syndicated loans or bespoke middle market transactions Ao is practical, proactive, and strikes a careful balance between achieving an efficient and diligent closing and advancing client interests.

Ao advises clients, borrowers, and lenders alike, through a wide spectrum of debt financing transactions with a particular emphasis on acquisition financings. He has a diverse set of clients across industries ranging from Fortune 500 companies and large commercial banks to emerging companies and middle market direct lenders.

Ao is trained in both civil and common law and practiced at an international law firm in Montreal (Canada) before relocating to New York. He draws upon his cross-border experience and French language skills to help his clients close their most complex international financings.

Representative experience

Represented Tetra Tech in a "certain funds" bridge facility of £714 million plus an additional \$350 million in connection with its acquisition of RPS Group



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Languages

English
French

Practices

Banking and Loan Finance
Leveraged and Acquisition
Finance

Industries

Aerospace and Defense
Financial Institutions
Life Sciences and Health Care

Education and admissions

Represented the lead arrangers in \$4.05 billion financing for United Natural Food's acquisition of Supervalu*

Represented IHS Markit in \$1.25 billion unsecured revolving credit facility*

Represented Graham Packaging Company Inc. in \$510 million notes offering and \$1.5 billion credit facility*

Represented an ad hoc group of lenders in connection with debtor-in-possession and exit financing for Fusion Connect*

*Matter handled prior to joining Hogan Lovells.

Latest thinking and events

- Press releases
 - Hogan Lovells advises the Government of The Bahamas in debt for nature conversion transaction
- Press releases
 - Hogan Lovells advises AMH in US\$1.25 billion revolving credit facility
- Press releases
 - Hogan Lovells represents Bizzi & Partners in US\$313 million joint construction financing for Manhattan skyscraper
- Press releases
 - Hogan Lovells advises VICI Properties, Inc. on US\$17.2bn acquisition of MGM Growth Properties

Education

Bachelor of Laws, McGill University, 2016

Bachelor of Civil Law, McGill University, 2016

Bar admissions and qualifications

New York

Quebec
