

Khushaal Ved

Counsel
Singapore

Biography

Recognised as clients' "go-to resource in the region", Kush is recommended by Chambers Asia-Pacific and Asian Legal Business as a Rising Star with "authority beyond his years".

Kush leads internal and government investigations for clients across Asia Pacific. Kush has led investigations from the Singapore office for six years, and has prior experience at Hogan Lovells' London and Washington, D.C. offices. Kush is dual qualified in England and Wales and California. Kush is able to provide local nuance to international issues.

Kush counsels clients on preventative and reactive compliance; from dawn raids and policies and procedure preparedness to whistleblower complaints and regulatory reports. He deescalates crises, advises on international trade, sanctions and export controls and resolves clashes within the workplace.

Kush uniquely has multi-FCPA case experience, and leads these matters from Asia, with experience of multiple representations in front of numerous regulators including importantly the U.S. Department of Justice, SEC, SFO, AGC, CPIB, MAS and KPK.

From a sensitive situation in India, to an incident in Indonesia, or a vexing topic in Vietnam, and everywhere in between, Kush has multijurisdictional experience; and is responsive, seeking to minimise disruption and offer you a strategic solution.

Kush also leads the Pro Bono efforts of the Singapore



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Languages

English

Practices

Investigations, White Collar, and Fraud

Government Relations and Public Affairs

Technology Litigation

Crisis Leadership Team

Industries

Financial Institutions

Energy and Natural Resources

Life Sciences and Health Care

Technology and Telecoms

office, with his work recently on environmental conservation deploying blockchain technology recognised by Thomson Reuters who nominated him from a global cohort as their TrustLaw Lawyer of the Year.

Representative experience

Counsel to a leading telecoms client in a U.S. FCPA cross-border investigation and disclosure of commercial bribery in the Philippines; achieved a double declination from the DOJ and SEC.

Leading a U.S. DOJ and SEC FCPA investigation and disclosure in the life sciences sector in Asia-Pacific.

Advising on whistleblower report responses in India, Singapore and South Korea for a global medical technology corporation.

Counsel to an international hospitality and gaming entity with a regulatory investigation spanning five jurisdictions: Singapore, Macau, Hong Kong, Thailand and the U.S.

Advising a global trust services provider on multi-jurisdictional regulatory enquiries across Asia-Pacific and the U.S.

Counsel to a Singapore-headquartered commodities trading company in connection with an investigation by the FBI and U.S. DOJ for alleged sanctions violations, regulator raids and money laundering.

Counsel to a Big 4 audit, tax and advisory firm with a PCAOB investigation in relation to its Singapore operations.

Counsel to a global financial institution on a KPK investigation relating to a USD 2 billion financing to an Indonesian conglomerate group.

Acting for a French financial institution in responding to multijurisdictional regulatory data requests, and in limiting and focusing productions.

Conducting an internal and regulatory investigation for a listed Singapore company into allegations of corrupt

Manufacturing and Industrials

Sports, Media and Entertainment

Areas of focus

Bribery and Corruption

Dawn Raids

Agency Investigations

Anti-money Laundering

E-discovery and Information Management

Government Investigations

Sanctions

Data Protection

Compliance Readiness

Crisis Communications

International Regulatory Compliance

Whistleblowing

Education and admissions

Education

Legal Practice Course, BPP University Law School, With Commendation, 2015

Graduate Diploma in Law, BPP University, With Distinction, 2014

MSc. Criminology and Criminal Justice, Green Templeton College, University of Oxford, 2013

MA Geography, Jesus College, University of Oxford, 2012

Memberships

payments to government officials in Brazil, in connection with "Operation Car Wash".

Counsel to one of the world's largest pharmaceutical companies with respect to an internal investigation and crisis leadership in India.

Conducting internal investigations for a leading Vietnamese manufacturing company into alleged bribery, corruption, employment and customs compliance issues in Vietnam.

Advising an Indonesian energy JV in relation to an internal investigation concerning allegations of government corruption, in a USD 1 billion project and a KPK investigation.

Assisting a leading Chinese technology company with addressing ABC and compliance issues with compliance staffing support, modern slavery and ESG considerations, and risk for new business lines.

Counsel to a U.S.-headquartered automotive giant on their global compliance and risk assessment.

Advising Wildchain on staffing, and on compliance with the laws and regulations of Singapore relating to payment services, blockchain technology and digital tokens.

Advising a Japanese trading company on FCPA, regulatory and commercial risks in relation to a JV infrastructure project in excess of USD 2 billion in Bangladesh.

Advising a Japanese trading company on the proposed USD 1 billion acquisition of an international, French-headquartered leading diversified industrials distributor.

Advising a U.S.-headquartered company with U.S. and Singapore export controls, trade compliance and customer relationships.

Lead contact for the United Nations on multiple initiatives including their cross-collaboration on tackling bribery and corruption in sport with the IOC, and their fight against corruption platform.

The Law Society of England and Wales

Young Fraud Lawyers Association
Beverly Hills Bar Association

Bar admissions and qualifications

Law Society of England and Wales
California

Court admissions

England and Wales

Accolades

He is very smart, sharp and keen. He has drive, and he understands client needs and the need to deliver.

Chambers Asia-Pacific, 2024

Khushaal displays authority beyond his years, he is very clear in his thought process and good with communication.

Chambers Asia-Pacific, 2023

Khushaal Ved has an excellent reputation in the investigations space. He is a safe pair of hands and gets the job done.

Legal 500 Asia Pacific, 2024

Khushaal Ved is an up-and-coming individual in the space; he is very dynamic, responsive and gives

Awards and rankings

- ALB Singapore Rising Stars, *Asian Legal Business*, 2022
- Up and Coming - Corporate Investigations/Anti-Corruption: International, *Chambers Asia-Pacific*, 2023-2024
- Rising Star: White Collar Crime - Singapore, *The Legal 500 Asia Pacific*, 2024
- Future Leader - Investigations, *Who's Who Legal*, 2024

Latest thinking and events

- Insights and Analysis
 - Fighting sophisticated crime – Further anti-money laundering legal developments in Singapore
- Insights and Analysis
 - Optimists see opportunities; pessimists see risk. Your counsel should see both.
- Press releases
 - Hogan Lovells continues its strong showing in the Financial Times Innovative Lawyer Awards Asia Pacific 2024
- Published Works
 - Trouble in paradise: anti-corruption investigations, enforcement and developments in the Philippines *Anti-Corruption Report*
- Media Mention
 - High-profile corruption grapples Southeast Asian businesses *GovMedia*
- Media Mention
 - Entain case illustrates online gaming growing along with enforcement *Anti-Corruption Report*

timely, pragmatic advice that is commercially minded.

Chambers Asia-Pacific, 2023

Khushaal Ved is a rising star and the future of the practice at Hogan Lovells.

Legal 500 Asia Pacific, 2024

Khushaal Ved stands out as an outstanding lawyer with exceptional expertise in blockchain and cryptocurrency regulations. His in-depth knowledge and experience make him a valuable asset to any project in this sector. Clients appreciate his responsiveness and clear communication style, making the legal process more accessible and transparent.

Legal 500 Asia Pacific, 2024

Kush is very bright, on top of the law and never takes his foot off the gas.

Chambers Asia-Pacific, 2024
