

Legal Media 360 Awards Report

Malaysia



Introduction

Legal awards acknowledge the market recognition of a law firm and lawyer's success, ability, effort and, above all, excellence.

While rankings consider the accumulation of a firm or lawyer's efforts year-on-year, awards represent the achievements of firms or lawyers during the past 12 months. Awards can be viewed as being more significant than rankings because being shortlisted or winning an award means a firm or lawyer is one of a very select number of parties considered to be "the best".

Legal Media 360's Awards Reports consolidate the nominations and winners of the most reputable international and regional awards, showcasing the top performers by jurisdiction.



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Methodology

Atomic awards data is categorized, and naming conventions standardized. This highlights which firms, lawyers, cases and deals are receiving the greatest recognition via a nomination/win ratio. Awards data from the following sources are used in our research:

Asian Legal Business, ALM, asialaw, Benchmark Litigation, China Business Law Journal, Chambers and Partners, China Law and Practice, India Business Law Journal, International Financial Law Review, In-house Community, Legal 500, Managing IP.

The awards period used for our research is January to December 2022.

Legal Media 360's awards analysis splits firm awards into two distinct categories: Firm awards and Case/deal awards.



Award Categories

Firm Awards

Firm awards include categories such as practice area specific awards, practice management, diversity and inclusion and firm-wide awards (such as firm of the year).

The following data is for Malaysia.

Table 1: Top firms by highest number of firm award nominations

| Firm Name | Nominations | Win | Win % |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|-----|-------|
| Skrine | 39 | 14 | 36% |
| Shearn Delamore & Co | 38 | 18 | 47% |
| Lee Hishammuddin Allen & Gledhill | 27 | 6 | 22% |
| Wong & Partners | 23 | 7 | 30% |
| Christopher & Lee Ong | 20 | 17 | 85% |
| Rahmat Lim & Partners | 17 | 10 | 59% |
| Tay & Partners | 15 | 4 | 27% |
| Zaid Ibrahim & Co | 14 | 4 | 29% |
| Adnan Sundra & Low | 12 | 5 | 42% |
| Raja Darryl & Loh | 11 | 4 | 36% |
| Zul Rafique & Partners | 11 | 3 | 27% |
| MahWengKwai & Associates | 10 | 1 | 10% |
| Gan Partnership | 9 | 1 | 11% |
| Albar & Partners | 8 | 5 | 63% |
| Shook Lin & Bok | 8 | 2 | 25% |
| Chooi & Company + Cheang & Ariff | 7 | 4 | 57% |
| Lim Chee Wee Partnership | 6 | 4 | 67% |
| Mohamed Ridza & Co | 5 | 1 | 20% |
| Cecil Abraham & Partners | 4 | 2 | 50% |
| Esther Ong Tengku Saiful & Sree | 4 | 0 | 0% |
| Haeme Lew | 4 | 0 | 0% |
| Loke, King, Goh & Partners | 4 | 1 | 25% |
| Harold & Lam Partnership | 3 | 0 | 0% |
| Kadir Andri & Partners | 3 | 1 | 33% |
| LAW Partnership | 3 | 0 | 0% |
| Richard Wee Chambers | 3 | 0 | 0% |

Commentary: In 2022, a total of 60 law firms were nominated for firm related awards. 30 of those firms won awards. Skrine were nominated for the greatest number of awards, however Shearn Delamore won the most awards. Christopher Ong & Lee had the best nomination to win ratio of all firms that were nominated for more than one award, essentially winning all of the awards they were nomination for.



Case/Deal Awards

Case/deal awards recognise the firms working on the most significant matters in the past 12 months.

Table 2: Firms by highest number of case/deal award nominations

| Firm Name | Nominations | Win | Win % |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|-----|-------|
| Adnan Sundra & Low | 22 | 2 | 9% |
| Rahmat Lim & Partners | 20 | 1 | 5% |
| Albar & Partners | 12 | 2 | 17% |
| Zaid Ibrahim & Co | 10 | 1 | 10% |
| Shearn Delamore & Co | 6 | 0 | 0% |
| Skrine | 6 | 1 | 17% |
| Zul Rafique & Partners | 6 | 0 | 0% |
| Christopher & Lee Ong | 5 | 0 | 0% |
| Lee Hishammuddin Allen & Gledhill | 4 | 1 | 25% |
| Chooi & Company + Cheang & Ariff | 3 | 1 | 33% |
| Kadir Andri & Partners | 3 | 0 | 0% |
| Wong & Partners | 3 | 1 | 33% |
| Azmi & Associates | 2 | 0 | 0% |
| Hisham Sobri & Kadir | 2 | 0 | 0% |
| Martin Cheah & Associates | 2 | 1 | 50% |
| Abdullah Chan & Co | 1 | 0 | 0% |
| Haeme Lew | 1 | 0 | 0% |
| Jeff Leong Poon & Wong | 1 | 0 | 0% |
| Lee Perara & Tan | 1 | 0 | 0% |
| Mohamed Ridza & Co | 1 | 0 | 0% |
| Rosli Dahlan Saravana Partnership | 1 | 1 | 100% |
| Tay & Partners | 1 | 1 | 100% |
| Wong Beh & Toh | 1 | 0 | 0% |

Commentary: In 2022, 11 firms won at least one case/deal awards out of the 23 firms nominated firms. Case/deal awards mostly relates to significant cross border work and the low nomination to win ratio suggests Malaysian law firms were not active in the most significant matters in the APAC region.



Lawyer Awards

In the 12 publications examined, a total of 41 lawyers in Indonesia were nominated for awards. 26 male lawyers were nominated, compared with 15 female lawyers. The gender ratio of male-female lawyer nominations is 63 to 37 percent.

Six out of the 41 lawyers won awards. Four were male and two were female.

Nomination Statistics

Table 3: Firms with the highest number of lawyer award nominations

| Firm Name | Nominations |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| Skrine | 5 |
| Chooi & Company + Cheang & Ariff | 3 |
| Esther Ong Tengku Saiful & Sree | 3 |
| Lee Hishammuddin Allen & Gledhill | 3 |
| Zul Rafique & Partners | 3 |
| Ariff Rozhan & Co | 2 |
| Cecil Abraham & Partners | 2 |
| Harold & Lam Partnership | 2 |
| LAW Partnership | 2 |
| MahWengKwai & Associates | 2 |
| Rahmat Lim & Partners | 2 |
| Shearn Delamore & Co | 2 |
| Tay & Partners | 2 |
| Abang & Co | 1 |
| Christopher & Lee Ong | 1 |
| David & Paulian | 1 |
| Jazzmine Khoo & Associates | 1 |
| Lee & Poh Partnership | 1 |
| Lum Kok Kiong & Co | 1 |
| Mohamed Ridza & Co | 1 |
| Mohanadass Partnership | 1 |
| Ng Kee Way & Co | 1 |
| Ooi & Ooi | 1 |
| Richard Wee Chambers | 1 |
| Shamil Shakil | 1 |
| Shook Lin & Bok | 1 |
| Sreenevasan | 1 |
| Wong & Partners | 1 |
| Zaid Ibrahim & Co | 1 |



Table 4: Nominated lawyers

| Lawyer Name | Firm Name | Gender |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------|
| Cindy Joo Seong Goh | Chooi & Company + Cheang & Ariff | Female |
| Ariff Rozhan | Ariff Rozhan & Co | Male |
| Brian Law | LAW Partnership | Male |
| Cecil Abraham | Cecil Abraham & Partners | Male |
| Etrus Tan Chen Hee | Esther Ong Tengku Saiful & Sree | Male |
| Siva Kumar Kanagasabai | Skrine | Male |
| Zulkifly Rafique | Zul Rafique & Partners | Male |
| Abang Iwawan | Abang & Co | Male |
| Amy Hiew Kar Yi | Harold & Lam Partnership | Female |
| Chow Wan San | Zaid Ibrahim & Co | Female |
| Christine Toh | MahWengKwai & Associates | Female |
| Claudia Pek Yee Cheah | Skrine | Female |
| Dhinesh Bhaskaran | Shearn Delamore & Co | Male |
| Ee Von Teo | Wong & Partners | Female |
| Esther Hui Chuen Ong | Esther Ong Tengku Saiful & Sree | Female |
| Ho Wei Lih | Rahmat Lim & Partners | Female |
| Indran Shanmuganathan | Shearn Delamore & Co | Male |
| Ivan Loo | Skrine | Male |
| Jack Chor | Christopher & Lee Ong | Male |
| Jack Yow | Rahmat Lim & Partners | Male |
| Jazzmine Khoo Wei Ching | Jazzmine Khoo & Associates | Female |
| Jillian Chia | Skrine | Female |
| Kuhendran Thanapalasingam | Zul Rafique & Partners | Male |
| Lambert Rasa-Ratnam | Lee Hishammuddin Allen & Gledhill | Male |
| Lee Lin Li | Tay & Partners | Female |
| Leonard Yeoh | Tay & Partners | Male |
| Lum Kok Kiong | Lum Kok Kiong & Co | Male |
| Mohamed Ridza Abdullah | Mohamed Ridza & Co | Male |
| Mohanadass Kanagasabai | Mohanadass Partnership | Male |
| Natalie Wan Qing Ooi | Ooi & Ooi | Female |
| Ng Kee Way | Ng Kee Way & Co | Male |
| Nitin Nadkarni | Lee Hishammuddin Allen & Gledhill | Male |
| Poh Zuan Yin | Lee & Poh Partnership | Female |
| Raymond Mah | MahWengKwai & Associates | Male |
| Richard Thiam Seng Wee | Richard Wee Chambers | Male |
| Shamil Shakil | Shamil Shakil | Male |
| Shaun Paulian | David & Paulian | Male |
| Sin Min Yoong | Shook Lin & Bok | Female |
| Wai Loon Lam | Harold & Lam Partnership | Male |
| Wai Sum Teo | Lee Hishammuddin Allen & Gledhill | Female |
| Wei Jiet Lim | Sreenevasan | Male |



Winner Statistics

Table 5: Winning firms

| Firm Name | Wins |
|-----------------------------------|------|
| Lee Hishammuddin Allen & Gledhill | 2 |
| Shearn Delamore & Co | 1 |
| Chooi & Company + Cheang & Ariff | 1 |
| Sreenevasan | 1 |
| Wong & Partners | 1 |

Table 6: Winning lawyers

| Lawyer Name | Firm Name | Gender |
|---------------------|-----------------------------------|--------|
| Cindy Joo Seong Goh | Chooi & Company + Cheang & Ariff | |
| Dhinesh Bhaskaran | Shearn Delamore & Co | |
| Ee Von Teo | Wong & Partners | |
| Lambert Rasa-Ratnam | Lee Hishammuddin Allen & Gledhill | |
| Nitin Nadkarni | Lee Hishammuddin Allen & Gledhill | |
| Wei Jiet Lim | Sreenevasan | |

Commentary: 41 lawyers from 29 firms were nominated for awards in 2022. Although Skrine received the most nominations they didn't not take home any awards. Lee Hishammuddin Allen & Gledhill was the most successful, winning two of the three lawyers awards they were nominated for.



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