

Biography



Lewis Chong

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Expertise

Investment Funds , Blockchain & digital assets , Private equity

Lewis Chong is a former partner of Harneys and is currently a consultant to our Investment Funds practice group. He specialises in Cayman Islands and British Virgin Islands fund matters. His clients include United States, European and emerging markets managers.

Prior to joining Harneys in 2010, Lewis worked as counsel at O'Melveny & Myers LLP. He currently specialises in the establishment of new funds and the restructuring of existing funds and also advises fund clients subject to litigation. Additionally Lewis advises on Cayman Islands and British Virgin Islands corporate and commercial law, including mergers and acquisitions, joint ventures and corporate restructurings.

Recommendations

Lewis is ranked as a "expert consultant"

- IFLR1000, 2023

Lewis is ranked as "highly regarded".

- IFLR1000, 2020 - 2022

Lewis has been recognised by Chambers for his Investment Funds expertise. Sources say "he is very professional, highly responsive, knowledgeable, practical, and can think from the customer's perspective."

- Chambers and Partners, 2021

Lewis has been ranked for his Cayman Investment Funds expertise. One source commented on his presence in the funds market, saying: "He is extremely respected among fund managers seeking innovative, yet legally sound advice." Another added that he is "the most responsive person and easy to communicate with," noting: "He tries to put himself in your shoes and figures out the best strategy."

- Chambers and Partners, 2020

Lewis has been recognised by Chambers for his Investment Funds expertise. He receives high praise from onshore counsel, who note that he is very responsive and "very invested in the relationship."

- Chambers and Partners, 2019

Lewis is recommended for advising on all aspects of Cayman fund work, representing a range of US and European asset managers. One source noted that "he is a very good lawyer and a very smart man." Another peer reported: "He knows his stuff and has sound judgement."

- Chambers and Partners, 2018

Lewis is recommended for his strong experience in hedge and private equity fund work. One source noted his "fantastic service and prompt responses," adding: "I always feel that my concerns are on his mind."

- Chambers and Partners, 2017

Lewis is recommended as a leading Funds practitioner in the Cayman Islands. He is described as "very responsive".

- Legal 500

Bar Admissions

Cayman Islands
2013

British Virgin Islands
2011

England and Wales (not practising)
2007

New Zealand (not practising)
1999

Education

University of Auckland (LLB (Hons))
1999

Victoria University of Wellington (BA)
1996

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