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Glenn Cheng and GGCLaw are a dependable and highly specialised team to have on your side. They are responsive, practical, and quick to identify the core issues, while bringing strong legal expertise and sound commercial judgment to the table. Glenn is hands-on, solutions-oriented, and easy to work with, and has a real ability to deliver clear, focused advice when it matters most.

What distinguishes GGCLaw is its blend of specialist expertise, versatility, and a genuinely bespoke approach to client service. Glenn and his team are trusted counsel for clients seeking practical, commercially minded legal support delivered with speed, clarity, and confidence.

SHELF Drilling (United Arab Emirates).

GGCLaw has been working with us on the Tuas Mega Port Project. Given the nature of the Project, and the associated Contract, we regularly encounter difficult and complex legal and contractual conundrums. Their advice on these various matters has been pivotal to us being able to formulate a commercial and contractual strategy associated with these thorny issues.

Glenn Cheng's expertise and dedication have truly set him apart as an exceptional legal professional. His knowledge and experience in this field were evident as he guided us through every stage of the ongoing project with precision and confidence. Glenn's communication skills are outstanding, and he explains legal matters in a clear and understandable way. He leaves no stone unturned, ensuring that we were in the best possible legal position.

Penta-Ocean Construction Company Limited
(Japan, Singapore); and,
Penta-Ocean / Hyundai / Boskalis Joint-Venture
Tuas Terminal Reclamation, Wharf Construction and Dredging Phase 2 (TTP2) Project
(Japan, S. Korea, The Netherlands, Singapore).

Mr Glenn George Cheng has 30 years to date in private legal practice, during which he has served as a partner in Singapore, UK and US based global law firms. Today, Glenn is the founder and managing director of the Chambers of Glenn George Cheng LLC, or GGCLaw, a bespoke set of Counsel's chambers in which he practices exclusively from Singapore as an independent Arbitrator, international Arbitration Counsel and Project Advisor.

At this stage of his career, Glenn has been involved in leading and advocating cases, as well as advising multi-disciplinary projects worldwide which have exceeded US\$20bn in aggregated value. In general terms, his professional experience encompasses the following disciplines:

- Commercial Contracting;
- PPP, and Concession-based DBOO(T) Projects;
- Traditional, Turnkey (Design and Build), and EPC/EPC(C/IC) Projects;
- Design and Professional Services (and Consultancy) Agreements;
- Energy (Oil & Gas) Exploration, Production (Offshore), Joint Development, and Production Sharing Projects;
- Subsea and Engineering Support Services;
- Energy (Renewable) Concession and Production Sharing Projects;
- Power Supply and Purchase Arrangements (and Off-take Agreements);
- EPCM Agreements;
- Operation and Maintenance Agreements;
- Plant (Onshore – Process Engineering) Design and Build Projects;
- Civil and Marine Engineering Projects;
- (Seabed) Dredging, Land Reclamation and Environmental Management;
- (Seabed) Submarine Cable Systems;
- Built-Environment (Foreshore Defence and Fortification);
- Built-Environment (Onshore Infrastructure and Utilities);
- Built-Environment (Onshore Ports and Transportation);
- Built-Environment (Onshore Buildings and Structures);
- Built-Environment (Onshore Townships and Industrial Zones); and,
- General Project Performance Controls and Supply Chain Management Advice.

OIL & GAS

In term of oil and gas projects, Glenn has acted on BOT/DBOO(T) refinery terminal construction projects in Abu Dhabi, Indonesia, India, Philippines, and Saudi Arabia. He has also acted in oil and gas MODU rig new-buildings, RLEC works, asset sale and purchases; as well as in shipyard-based EPC(I)(C) asset fabrication contracts. He is also well-known for his work on subsea drilling support engineering services contracts, as well as on non-oil-and-gas submarine cable EPCI projects. Glenn counts amongst his clientele, past and present, industry players including Transocean, ¹Clough, ²Pearl Energy and Aabar Energy), ³Mitra Energy, Leighton, ⁴ENSCO, Vantage, COOEC, ⁵SMOP, Maire Group, Shelf Drilling, Noble Corporation, and PetroVietnam's PTSC M&C.

Separately, in advising and acting in resolving contentious issues (without invocation of formal proceedings) Glenn was appointed to advise the resolution of over 400 claims and disputes which arose during the winding down of a crude oil and petrochemical trading division of the Indonesian national oil and gas authority. He has also been instrumental in structuring and facilitating numerous claims and dispute settlements between NOCs, IOCs, field operators, drillers/floaters and other contractors involving offshore E&P projects set across a wide geographical spread.

¹ As it then was.

² Later, Mubadala Energy.

³ Later, Jadestone Energy.

⁴ Later, Valaris Limited.

⁵ Later, to form part of Seatrium.

We see synergy with GGCLaw's specialist work, particularly in Infrastructure EPC(I)(C) and Oil and Gas Offshore E&P sectors. GGCLaw's active collaborations with in-house teams and instructing law firms show its commitment to providing comprehensive services while optimizing costs. I can't help but think of GGCLaw as the legal equivalent of a Swiss Army knife - versatile, reliable, and always handy in a pinch. It's comforting to know that we have your team's custom-made services at our disposal, ready to tackle any legal conundrum that comes our way.

SHELF Drilling (UAE)



From 2016 to date, Glenn has been involved in advising a major EPA-ENX-listed Italian EPC multi-national corporation in respect of its mid-and downstream oil and gas, petrochemicals and infrastructure projects across Africa, Malaysia, and the Philippines.

During the COVID-19 pandemic "lockdown" periods internationally, Mr Cheng advised numerous key clients and projects across Italy, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, and the UAE.

DEAL LIST

Note: The following list of notable work highlights and details is non-exhaustive.

1. Providing transactional advice, drafting and advising the operator of an international waste oil management and fuel oil derivative recycling contractor in its national-level concession with the Government of Papua New Guinea for the provision of waste oil handling, recycling and disposal services.
2. Providing transactional advice, and advice for the purposes of negotiations in the lead up to deal closings on a series of cross-border transactions for the purchase of the *SHELF Baltic*, a Marathon LeTourneau Super 300 jack-up drilling rig. This work involved a cross-border SPA, asset swap and delivery, redeployment of the MODU between parties in the USA, and Nigeria; and the rig was bound Malaysia for deployment.
3. Advising an Italian Japanese joint venture based in Manila opposite a local petrochemical manufacturing corporation for the EPC design, installation and commissioning of two polypropylene plants situated in Batangas, Philippines. The brief concerned contested variation works, disruptions and work suspensions occasioned by alleged events of *Force Majeure* and *Rebus sic Stantibus* associated with COVID-19 pandemic "lockdown" periods, as well as the control and containment regulations enforced by the civil authorities there.
4. Advising a UAE-based fleet owner and operator opposite a specialist offshore designer/fabricator and shipyard in Singapore involving the RLEC, upgrade and re-fitting of a self-elevating ("jack-up") MODU for deployment of drilling operations off the Gulf of Thailand. The brief concerned issues of disruption, work suspension and alleged events of *Force Majeure* occasioned by the COVID-19


pandemic "lockdown" period legislated in Singapore, as well as the control and containment regulations enforced there.

5. Providing transactional advice, drafting and negotiations, as well as providing checks and on-site supervision of the transaction from contract drafting through execution, completion and financial closure, to sail-away date towage. This work involved the cross-border transactions by a US drilling fleet owner for the purchase of the *Noble Johnny Whitstine*, and the *Noble Joe Knight* – two Gusto MSC CJ46 jack-up drilling rigs built at the PaxOcean Graha Shipyard in Batam, Indonesia.
6. Advising (in collaboration with the appointed liquidators of) the crude oil and petrochemical trading division of the Indonesian national oil and gas authority, the resolution of multiple claims and disputes (more than 400 such claims) which have arisen during voluntary (solvent) winding down. This work involves assessing, auditing, advising and prosecuting arbitration proceedings seated across Singapore, Seoul, London and Indonesia against the trading divisions of national oil and gas companies from PR China, Saudi Arabia, Kazakhstan, Korea, the UAE, the United States, Italy and the Republic of Azerbaijan.



7. Advising the EPC(IC) head contractor across multiple claims and contractual construction issues involved in the design implementation, fabrication and delivery of a gas condensate production platform, LQ and WHP topsides on the Culzean North Sea field development.
8. Advising claims, variations and other contractual control issues to the UAE-based division of a French marine and civil engineering MNC in its role as specialist contractor on marine (bridging) piling and foreshore revetment works on the Upper Zakum Offshore Oilfield Development project situated offshore Abu Dhabi.
9. Advising a Chinese oilfield and offshore engineering State-owned enterprise on contracting risk allocation and management, claims and disputes management, controls, and delivery risks, as well as coordinating local content and local law compliance issues in relation to a combined EPC(IC), integration, and deployment to first oil/gas readiness package for two units of FPSOs designated for ultra-deep pre-salt level E&P operations under TUPU BV in the Santos Basin, Brazil.
10. Advising a Korean power cabling and engineering MNC opposite a European MNC involving project support, claims, variations and other contractual control issues in relation to subsea civil and marine engineering, on/foreshore civil work, as well as submarine cable laying and burial works between Singapore and Malaysia.
11. Advising and acting as leading Counsel to an Indonesian national oil & gas contracting company in disputes referred to a Singapore-seated international arbitration against a UAE sovereign wealth fund subsidiary that acts as an MNC gas field operator involving rights of participation in a major gas producing block on the Malaka Straits, offshore Indonesia.
12. Advising an oil major MNC on various contract control points, dispute adjudication measures, interim measures, and multi-tier dispute resolution provisions (including potential pathological international arbitration provision under negotiations) in respect of a JOA involving the Browse Basin Floating LNG Project in Western Australia; and regarding a long-term LNG sale and purchase agreement opposite a State-owned enterprise based in Beijing, PR China.
13. Advising a leading Australian-listed oil & gas and resources extraction specialist contractor in its EPC contract for the provision of dredging engineering, marine facilities; tug berths, and PLF/MOF on/offloading terminals pursuant to Project Wheatstone LNG Plant project in Western Australia.
14. Acting as leading Counsel instructed by the Thai office of an international firm of solicitors which in turn acted for a major Australian listed upstream oil and gas engineering company in a Singapore-seated international arbitration against a US energy company involving the construction and load out of an oil wellhead platform deployed in the Bualuang Field, offshore Thailand.
15. Advising as leading Counsel to the Australian division of a US MNC fleet owner of oil rigs, ultra-deepwater drilling platforms and marine support vessels in respect of the impact of work stoppage and extremely adverse sea weather conditions on the deployment of semi-submersible *The Jack Bates* offshore Northwestern Cape, Western Australia.
16. Advising the EPCI(C) fabrication yard and mechanical construction division of the Vietnamese national oil and gas authority on project risk and contractual matters, including claims related advice, concerning a topside platform EPC contract for the redevelopment of a process platform by ONGC on Heera Field, offshore Mumbai, India.
17. Advising on project risk and contractual matters, as well as providing ongoing professional training to the mechanical and construction, marine and offshore services, and geo-subsea service divisions



- of the Vietnamese national oil and gas authority in respect of its regional contracts and engagements in the offshore Asia Pacific, South and Southeast Asian markets.
18. Advising a Malaysia-based international oil company in respect of rates-based claims, technical disputes, and disputes arising from operational delays and asset malfunctions advanced by a Vietnamese State-owned drilling operator and English drilling rig owner/lessor and contractor arising from jack-up drilling operations deployed offshore Vietnam.
 19. Advising the Asia Pacific operations of a US (and UK listed) MNC fleet owner of oil rigs and contractor for drilling/well-field services in respect of its drilling deployments across Southeast Asia, including Vietnam, Malaysia and PR China. Risk analyses, contract controls and claims related advice have involved the jack-up rig *Ensco-105*, and in another application, the *Ensco-107*.
 20. Advising the Southeast Asia operations of a UAE-based fleet owner of oil rigs and drilling contractor on deployments offshore Vietnam. Risk analyses, contract controls and claims related advice have involved the jack-up rig *Trident-16*.
 21. Advising a Norwegian multi-national contractor in its joint venture with a European E&P contractor for the purposes of delivering FEED and EPCI platforms for FPSOs. The work forms part of the supply chain underlying the joint bidding, production sharing and joint operation of exploration, extraction and production activities on an offshore block which is being developed by an international operator and the national oil and gas authority of East Timor.
 22. Advising the Southeast Asia and Asia Pacific division of a US MNC fleet owner of oil rigs and contractor for drilling/well-field services in respect of its EPC shipbuilding, conversion and associated shipyard projects in the Asia Pacific region. Risk analyses, contract controls and claims related advice have involved semi-submersibles, jack-ups and drillships including *The Jack Bates*, *The Transocean Legend*, *The Compact Driller*, *The SODV JOIDES Resolution*, and the *Trident 20* on deployments in the Northwestern Cape, Western Australia, offshore Thailand, and offshore Myanmar.
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23. Advising a leading Australian-listed oil and gas and resources extraction specialist multi-national contractor in its EPC contract for the provision of dredging engineering, marine facilities; tug berths, and PLF/MOF on/offloading terminals pursuant to Project Wheatstone LNG Plant project in Western Australia; as well as, in its JV agreement and cross-security package with another oil & gas contractor involving their role in the oil-field decommissioning of Lufeng-22 Field, offshore South China Sea.
 24. Advising an Indonesian investor in a joint operations and equity participation farm-in transaction with an Abu Dhabi sovereign fund-owned energy company in respect of exploration and production rights involving gas supply from the Sebuk Block off South-East Kalimantan, Indonesia.
 25. Advising an Indonesian investor in feasibility assessments concerning a non-operator equity stake in joint operations in respect of exploration and production rights involving gas supply from the Bulu Block off East Java, Indonesia.
 26. Advising a US engineering consultancy group in respect of its master service provider agreements with Chevron USA involving applications in Australia, Indonesia, and the Republic of Kazakhstan.
 27. Advised the international corporate business division of the Malaysian national petroleum authority in an extensive investment due diligence and feasibility study involved in a proposed strategic buy-out of the FPSO, FSO and SPM engineering, technology and operations business of a Dutch multi-national corporation. This work involved reviewing and advising on a wide range of contractual and project related concerns between the target business and producers in the United Arab Emirates, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, China, India and Russia.

28. Advising a leading Australian multi-disciplined engineering and contracting MNC in advising jurisdictional risks, and drafting arbitration agreements for a suite of project agreements in an unincorporated joint venture with Chiyoda Corporation and JGC Corporation pursuant to the ExxonMobil PNG LNG project.
29. Advising a US/Indonesian firm of project consultants/construction managers in the preparation and presentation of a claims analysis to an Australian oil and gas pipeline contractor involved in the installation of a gas injection pipeline and crude oil flow line in the Lae-Moran (Highlands Highway) development project in Papua New Guinea.
30. Advised a Saudi Arabian project promoter in its joint venture with a Singapore shipbuilding and marine engineering multi-national corporation, and its participation in a joint stock special purpose company in a Build-Own-Operate (BOO) project to construct a floating dock and multi-service ship building and repair yard on Al Jazeera Island, Yanbu Al Bahr, Saudi Arabia.
31. Advising and providing drafting services to a Singapore engineering consultancy firm in respect of its in-house standard terms and conditions for FEED and detailed EPC design engagement on oil and gas projects in the Southeast Asian and Asia Pacific region. This work included advising, negotiating and drafting a master services consultancy agreement with Chevron Thailand in respect of the Platong II Gas Field Development project, offshore South Thailand; as well as in respect of the detailed engineering design on two offshore platforms, associated gas export pipeline, PLEMS and NCS Tie-in structure in the Chim Sao Crude Oil development, Block 12W, offshore Vietnam.
32. Advising a Singapore listed petrochemical production company in respect of its role as primary investor and operator in a 1300-hectare Build-Own-Operate (BOO) industrial park project, comprising a deepwater port, a naphtha cracker complex, an oil refinery and support infrastructure, in Phu Yen province, Vietnam.



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