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Leveraged Finance

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Background and experience

David Nelson is part of Ogier's multi-disciplinary Restructuring & Insolvency team. He specialises in refinancing, restructuring of loan financing and distressed debt investment. His achievements include advising a lender (a global alternative investment firm headquartered in Hong Kong) on the

sale of its non-performing loan made to a BVI company; advising an investor in a convertible loan made to a global education provider to assist with its financial restructuring; and advising lenders and borrowers on numerous loan amendments, extensions and restructurings in a distressed context.

David is part of Ogier's multi-disciplinary Private Equity team. He acts for private equity sponsors and lenders to them, on financing transactions, including cross-border leveraged and acquisition financing transactions, margin loans, minority 'back leverage' financings, mezzanine financings, fund-level financings, syndicated facilities and loan restructurings.

David was recognised in Asian Legal Business' 2018 list of Asia's Top 40 Lawyers Under 40.

David trained with Allen & Overy in London and qualified into its Banking team. After working in the Banking & Capital Markets team of Devonshires Solicitors in London, he moved to Hong Kong in 2013, where he joined the Banking team of Linklaters. Whilst at Linklaters, David did a secondment to a major international bank as legal support to its Leveraged and Acquisition Finance team.

Prior to joining Ogier, David was a Senior Associate in the Banking team of another offshore law firm, based in Hong Kong.

David is a graduate of Durham University, where he obtained a first class degree in law. He received a distinction in the Legal Practitioners' Course from the College of Law, London.

David speaks Mandarin (basic business proficiency).

Admitted in:

2010 - England & Wales

2019 - British Virgin Islands

David is a Registered Foreign Lawyer regulated by the Law Society of Hong Kong.

Languages

English

Mandarin

Examples of work

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Recognition

"Leading Partner"

Legal 500 Asia Pacific, 2025

"David has been our choice of offshore counsel given his excellent client service and responsiveness"

"He has extensive knowledge and experience advising on the BVI and Cayman law aspects of a variety of loan financing transactions. David is our go-to contact for offshore law firm expertise"

Chambers Asia-Pacific, 2024

"David Nelson is knowledgeable, diligent and hands-on"

Legal 500 Asia-Pacific, 2024

"David Nelson is a very hands on and diligent partner"

Legal 500 Asia-Pacific, 2022

"Rising Star Partner "

IFLR 1000, 2024

"Consistently delivers high-quality advice within budget"

Chambers Asia-Pacific, 2022

"Up and Coming"

Chambers Asia-Pacific, 2023

"Rising star partner"

IFLR 1000, 2022

"Next Generation Partner"

Legal 500 Asia-Pacific, 2022

"David Nelson is very personable and is one of the stand-out financing lawyers in the offshore world given his private practice and previous offshore experience"

Legal 500 Asia Pacific, 2020

"Very hands-on and regularly provides excellent advice on offshore matters relating to special situations financing"

Legal 500 Asia Pacific, 2021

"Next Generation Partner"

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"Next Generation Partner"

Legal 500 Asia Pacific, 2020

"A top notch lawyer who is very friendly and easy to work with"

IFLR 1000, 2020

"Humble, diligent, always sticks to deadlines, and produces high quality work"

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