

## Careers Talk: 25 Years at a US Law Firm in London, and the Outlook for Global Financial Regulation

In this informal talk, Leonard Ng (NUS Law Class of 1994) will chat about his 25 years at Sidley Austin's London office and give his perspective on what makes a successful career in private practice overseas. He will share what he thinks helps a young lawyer stand out, particularly in a large legal market such as the UK's, and his experience of being an outsider twice over (as a foreigner, and at a US law firm in London).

Given Leonard's area of expertise (financial regulation), he will also discuss what he sees as the pressing matters of the day, including whether the regulatory framework established since the global financial crisis has achieved its objectives, and the how policymakers are dealing with current evolving issues that can be in part socio-political (e.g. sustainable finance/ESG), and technological (e.g. cryptoasset regulation).

**Date:** 26 August 2022 (Friday)  
**Time:** 1:00PM - 2:30PM (Lunch will be provided)  
**Venue:** Block B, 5th Level, **Seminar Room 5-5**  
National University of Singapore, Faculty of Law

Register

### About the Speaker:



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[Leonard Ng](#) is a partner at Sidley Austin LLP, one of the world's largest law firms. Leonard is a member Sidley Austin's Executive Committee and co-head of the UK/EU Financial Services Regulatory group. In April 2022, Leonard was named as one of Financial News' Fifty Most Influential Lawyers; the 2022 edition is Financial News' second annual list of Europe's "top fifty legal stars". Based in Sidley's London office, Leonard advises a wide range of global financial institutions on complex UK/EU financial services regulatory issues. He has particular experience in advising clients on operating under the regulatory framework established after the last financial crisis, and more recently on Brexit, sustainable finance/ESG, and cryptoasset regulation. Leonard is a past member of the Board of the Managed Funds Association (MFA), the global trade association for hedge funds, and is a frequent speaker at industry conferences.



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