

Amita DUTT

Consultant

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PRACTICE AREAS

- Art Law
- Banking & Finance
- Banking Industry Services
- Charity Compliance & Regulatory
- Corporate & Retail Leasing
- Corporate Real Estate
- Development Projects / Collective Sale
- Elder Law
- Private Banking
- Private Client
- Real Estate
- Retail Real Estate
- Wills, Estate Planning & Family Arrangements

QUALIFICATIONS

- MBA from the Neoma (ESC Reims) Business School in France
- Pre-doctoral degree (DEA) in business law from the Pantheon-Sorbonne (Paris I) University
- LL.M. degree from Columbia University in the US
- Attorney admitted in Paris (France) and New York (USA), Foreign Lawyer in Singapore

Amita Dutt is a legal consultant and one of the founding members of RHTLaw Asia, with more than 30 years of experience within her practice area of Real Estate and Financial Services.

Owing to the combined strengths of her law degree and an MBA early in her career, she is able to deliver strong commerciallysound solutions to legal issues in her work which includes advising corporates and individuals in the acquisition, disposition, management, development, ownership and leasing of residential, industrial and commercial property both overseas and in Singapore. Amita also acts for banks and finance companies in lending transactions, and reviewing and drafting banking-related documents.

She brings to RHT a breadth of knowledge that spans the SEA and MENA regions with her experience in working in varied jurisdictions – Hong Kong from 1993 to 1994 as an in-house Legal Counsel for an American MNC, and Dubai, UAE, from 2008 to 2009 to develop alliances for her law firm partners.

In the last decade and counting, Amita has focused on working with private banks and their high-net-worth customers in various wealth management matters ranging from wealth accumulation and preservation to developing and implementing strategies for succession. She advises on family arrangements relating to estate planning, trust and elder law.

As a connoisseur of art and an artist herself, Amita has participated in several exhibitions, giving away her works every time to raise money for many charities. Her works have been exhibited at a variety of Singapore Galleries, the Art Expo in Malaysia, Dubai and India and at various Affordable Art Fairs in Singapore. She is also an advocate of facilitating the further development of Art Law in Singapore and Philanthropy. To add to her repertoire of specialised areas, Amita advises on art law too.

MEMBERSHIPS

- Board member of the Ronald McDonald House Singapore and member of their Governance Risk Audit and Development Committee
- Member of the Advisory Board of Gnani Arts Gallery Singapore

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

 Board member of the Ronald McDonald Charity House Singapore

AWARDS & ACCOLADES

- Who's Who Legal-Singapore 2008 stated that "Dutt's practise is "very strong in all areas, with a particular focus on private client real estate."
- 2017 speaker at the Women in Leadership Summit in Singapore
- Recognition by Euromoney's Guide to World's Leading Real Estate Lawyer
- Recognition by AsiaLaw for Real estate and Banking
- Award from Acquisition International and Wealth and Finance International
- Lawyer of the Year Singapore in category Real Estate Private Client by Finance Monthly Legal Awards 2019

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP

Amita is a strong advocate of estate planning for all age groups, I am a frequent speaker and writer on estate planning and elder law related concerns. She also works closely with artists on the art law related concepts.

- A Foreigner with Singapore Assets Make a Will
- Imperfectly Made Gifts
- Trees and Neighbors
- Making a Gift Properly
- Was it a loan or a gift made by parent to child?
- <u>A Guide for Investing in Residential Real Estate in Singapore</u>
- Rather a Loan than a Gift
- Guardians for Our Children
- <u>Art Stolen: A Buyer's Recourse</u>
- Art Stolen: A Buyer's Exposure
- Provenance and the Art Collector
- Copyright and Art
- Artists who inspire artists
- Owning Art