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Michael Akman is a projects and commercial attorney with extensive experience advising clients on complex cross-border transactions throughout Asia. For the past eight years, he has advised public and private companies as well as government clients on mergers and acquisitions, joint ventures, projects and infrastructure, energy and other corporate matters.

Michael's representative matters include advising a multinational on its joint venture with private and state-owned Chinese partners and assisting clients with strategic acquisitions and asset divestitures. His experience also extends to private equity transactions, credit facilities and other forms of financing transactions, as well as high-profile public-private partnerships, like the US\$2.82 billion Laguna Lakeshore Expressway-Dike Project.

EXPERIENCE HIGHLIGHTS

Barco NV enters \$100 million strategic joint venture with Chinese partners

Integrated Micro-Electronics acquires 80 percent interest of STI Enterprises Limited

Monster Worldwide sells its Asia Pacific business to Quess Corp Limited

EDUCATION

Georgetown University (J.D. cum laude 2009); New York University (B.F.A. 2001)

BAR ADMISSIONS

New York

Michael previously practiced in New York, where he represented banks, private equity funds, and other financial institutions and corporate clients on a wide range of real estate transactions, syndicated and leveraged finance transactions, project financings, restructuring transactions, and single and portfolio asset financings.

Michael's experience includes:

- Advising Barco NV in connection with its agreement to enter into a strategic joint venture with China Film Co. Ltd.,
 Appotronics and CITICPE that will serve as the dedicated commercialization solutions channel for each company's products and services for the global cinema market, excluding mainland China.
- Advising Randstad Holding, in connection with the sale of the Asia Pacific business of its subsidiary, Monster Worldwide Inc., a global leader in connecting people and jobs, to Quess Corp Limited.
- Advising Ayala Corporation in its acquisition by subsidiary, Integrated Micro Electronics, Inc., of an 80 percent interest in STI Enterprises Limited, a printed circuit board manufacturer based in the United Kingdom with global operations.
- Advising the Public-Private Partnership Center of the Philippines and the Philippine Department of Public Works
 and Highways on the proposed Laguna Lakeshore Expressway-Dike Project, a proposed \$2.82 billion project
 consisting of a 47 km expressway and flood control system and 700 hectare land reclamation for mixed-use
 development.
- Advising Xurpas, Inc. in its acquisition of a 23.53 percent stake in Micro Benefits Limited, a Hong Kong-based company providing innovative mobile HR solutions to Fortune 500 companies in China, through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Micro Benefits Financial Consulting (Su Zhou) Co. Ltd.
- Advising Strait Capital Service Ltd. in connection with the purchase and restructuring of a \$30 million Senior
 Secured Convertible Promissory Note and Warrants to purchase Common Stock from a U.S.-based global mobile



- payments company with subsidiaries located throughout the world.
- Advising PT Saka Energi, an upstream division of Indonesian national gas company PGN, in its acquisition of a 37.825 percent working interest from BP Plc in the Sanga-Sanga gas production block in Indonesia.
- Advising an international investment bank with respect to a multijurisdictional lawsuit arising out of a loan agreement in Asia Pacific.
- Advising SSI Group, Inc., a leading specialty retailer in the Philippines, in connection with its PHP 7.4 billion (US\$166 million) initial public offering on the Philippine Stock Exchange.
- Advising GEM Global Yield Fund in the provision of a SG\$30 million (US\$21 million) funding facility to YuuZoo Corporation, a SGX listed e-commerce and payments company.
- Advising Global Emerging Markets North America Inc. in its PHP700 million (US\$44.5 million) investment in Abra Mining and Industrial Corporation, a company listed on the Philippine Stock Exchange.
- Advising a U.S. based alternative investment group in its potential investment in a Jakarta Stock Exchange listed holding and investment company.

The following represents experience prior to joining Jones Day:

- Advising a private equity fund in connection with repurchase facilities financing the acquisition of a portfolio of over \$2 billion of distressed commercial mortgage loans.
- Advising an equity investor in connection with the portfolio financings of over 50 solar generating facilities.
- Advising an agent and arranger in connection with a \$60 million cross-border, asset-based unitranche facility for an airplane parts manufacturer.
- Advising a private equity fund in connection with mortgage and mezzanine loan in connection with the acquisition of \$650 million portfolio of commercial properties.
- Advising a private equity fund in connection with approximately \$500 million loan secured by commercial mortgages and properties.
- Advising a borrower in connection with \$575 million senior secured term loan.
- Advising a lender in connection with a construction and take-out financing of a commercial solar rooftop facility.
- Advising an institutional investor in connection with its financing of a natural gas-fired electric generating facility located in California.

