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Tim is a partner in the private client and tax team.

He has been a leading US tax and private client lawyer for over 10 years. He acts as a trusted advisor to a number of high net worth individuals, family offices and fund principals with a primary focus on US tax and cross-border issues that may arise. Timothy also assists clients on a broad range of issues including relinquishing US citizenship, pre-US immigration tax planning, family wealth structuring, structuring for inbound US investments, and addressing historic non-US tax compliance issues.

Timothy has been quoted in the media numerous times (including South China Morning Post, Financial Times and The Wall Street Journal) in relation to various US federal tax issues. In addition, Timothy is a regular speaker at many wealth planning conferences in Asia. He is named as a leading private wealth practitioner in Chambers' HNW Guide 2020-2022 and is also recognised as a leading individual in tax and trusts in Legal 500 2020-2022. His clients describe him as a lawyer who "gives all the options and researches all the work before [making] any decisions. He gives a lot of attention to detail and makes sure that any actions [his clients do] will have better long-term outcomes". Furthermore, he has won a number of industry awards (ie. Citywealth and WealthBriefingAsia).

Talks

- 'Global Positioning Service (GPS) Webinar: Your guide to global mobility issues and considerations', Apr 2022

External publications

'Becoming a US Person amid Coronavirus' - Mondaq / Withers, Apr 2020, co-author

'FAQs For Founders Or Controlling Shareholders Of Companies Considering A HK IPO' - Mondaq, Oct 2018;
Martindale, 3 Oct 2018, co-author

'The Countdown Has Begun - Long-Standing US Tax Amnesty Program Ends September 2018' - Mondaq, Apr 2018;
Martindale, 8 May 2018, co-author

'US Tax Reforms - The Impact for Non-US Persons' - Martindale, Apr 2018, co-author

'Legal Eye: US expats need to research tax laws before relinquishing passport' - South China Morning Post, Nov 2013,
author

Admissions

State of Connecticut, 2007

State of New York, 2008

Education

Tulane University, BA

The University of Connecticut School of Law, JD

University of Connecticut School of Law, Certificate in Taxation

Languages

English

Key dates

Year joined: 2007

Year became partner: 2014

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