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BACKGROUND

Matthew is admitted in the Supreme Court of Western Australia and graduated with a Bachelor of Laws (First Class Honours) from the University of Notre Dame. Matthew has also completed a Graduate Diploma of Applied Finance with Kaplan Education.

KEY SERVICES

Mergers & Acquisitions
Projects

KEY SECTORS

Energy
Mining

EXPERIENCE

Matthew is a Partner who has been on secondment in Indonesia from Herbert Smith Freehills for the last 9 years. He has worked primarily on various public and private mergers and acquisitions and project developments in the oil and gas, energy and resources, power and infrastructure sectors and has provided general Indonesian corporate and foreign investment regulatory advice.

Matthew is described by his clients as "*an excellent, commercially minded lawyer with exceptional country and industry knowledge.*" He is further praised by commentators as "*a decision maker who advises us rather than just reciting the law*" and who possesses "*a*

photographic memory of everything." Matthew has been commended for providing *"both very astute and commercially focused legal advice. He is a solutions-based lawyer who looks for ways to get the deal done."*

Matthew has been recognized as a "Next Generation Partner" in Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2020 and as an "Up and Coming" in Chambers Asia-Pacific 2020.

Matthew's experience includes advising:

- Rio Tinto in relation to the divestment of its participating interest in the Grasberg gold and copper project to Inalum (the Indonesian state-owned mining company)
- PetroChina in relation to various regulatory and operational issues connected to its ongoing oil and gas operations in Indonesia, including Indonesian PSC acquisitions and divestments
- the Indonesian project company from the joint venture of Pertamina and Rosneft in relation to a new integrated refinery and petrochemical complex to be located in East Java, Indonesia
- a European renewable power company in relation to its proposed greenfield development of the first waste-to-energy plant in Indonesia in Sunter, Jakarta in co-operation with a regional-owned enterprise
- Mitsui in relation to the development of the Kalibaru port project at Tanjung Priok, Jakarta, Indonesia's largest new industrial port