

# Mariza Azen Mat Rasip

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## Overview

Mariza Azen Mat Rasip is a senior partner in the Real Estate and Banking department. She joined the Firm in 1995 and has been a partner with the firm since 2003.

Mariza has a considerable experience in the practice areas of Real Estate and Banking.

She advises on banking (Islamic and conventional financing) and real estate matters involving the sale, purchase, tenancies, leasing and sub-leasing of property including estate lands, industrial lands, data centres, retail malls, hotels and resorts, hypermarkets, hospitals and other commercial property. She also advises on joint venture transactions and property development transactions and is often involved in large or complex corporate and commercial transactions where real estate or financing expertise is required.

## Experience

- **Employees Provident Fund:** Advised on the sale and leaseback of a retail mall in Kuala Lumpur with a transaction value of up to approximately RM1.192 billion. The transaction was the first forward purchase of a retail mall and featured a unique payment and returns structure.
- **PT Rajawali Corpora:** Advised on the joint venture with the Government of Malaysia for the construction of the 6-star The St. Regis Langkawi and the Langkawi International Convention Centre, the venue for the ASEAN Summit 2015 retreat, with a project value of more than RM400 million, and on subsequent leasing arrangements with the state-owned corporation of Kedah.
- **Permodalan Nasional Berhad (PNB):** Conducted a document peer review regarding its acquisition of One Exchange Square and 90 High Holborn properties in London at a combined purchase price of RM2.67 billion.
- **Permodalan Nasional Berhad (PNB):** Advised on the purchase and leaseback of the CX5 data centre project involving PNB, CSF Advisers Sdn Bhd and Integrated DC Builders Sdn Bhd in a deal worth RM520 million.
- **A statutory body:** Advised on a proposed development, construction and leasing of a premier international school by an established school operator in Kuala Lumpur with a construction value of more than RM100

million.

- **Confidential Client:** Advised on the proposed purchase and leaseback of a hypermarket building in Seremban 2, Negeri Sembilan by AmanahRaya Trustees Berhad as trustee for Amanah Harta Tanah PNB with a purchase price of approximately RM240 million.
- **PNB Value Homes Sdn Bhd:** Advising on a project management consultancy services agreement in relation to the development of affordable homes in Banting, Selangor and Port Dickson, Negeri Sembilan at a total estimated gross development value of RM306 million.
- **A government linked company:** Advising on the disposal of two data centres together with all equipment, machinery, fixtures and fittings and the lease of the lands on which the data centres are located, with a combined transaction value exceeding RM700 million.
- **A statutory body:** Advising on the sub-leasing of a ten storey commercial complex (which includes a department store and supermarket) cum three storey basement car park and reviewing and negotiating the draft sub-lease agreement and bank guarantee.

## Recognition

- *The Asia-Pacific Legal 500*, 2016 through to 2019: Ranked and recommended for Real Estate and Construction
- *IFLR 1000*, 2019: Highly Regarded for Real Estate

## Honors and Awards

- Malayan Law Journal Book Prize (Best Student, First Year)
- Recipient of the Malaysian Government Public Services Department's scholarship for A-Levels, Undergraduate and the English Bar

## Areas of focus

### Practices

- Real Estate and Banking

## Education

- University of Sheffield, 1993, LLB (Hons)

## Admissions and qualifications

- Called to the Bar, England and Wales, 1994
- Advocate and Solicitor, High Court of Malaya
- Barrister-at-Law, Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn
- Called to the Bar, Malaysia, 1995