

Corporate achievement

Freshfields alumnus Matthew Murphy honoured at prestigious Australia China Alumni Awards.

Established in 2009 by the Australia China Alumni Association, the awards celebrate the achievements of Australian university graduates currently based in China, both local and expatriate. At this year's ceremony, Matthew – who previously worked in our Hong Kong and London offices – scooped the award for corporate achievement. Matthew, an IP and M&A lawyer, co-founded the Management, Markets and Legal Consulting Group (MMLC Group) in Beijing in 2002. The boutique firm comprises an Australian law office, a Chinese IP agency and a Chinese consulting company, and has represented governments, start-ups and most members of the Global Fortune 500 over the last fifteen years, both in China and the Asia Pacific region.



MMLC advises on a range of issues, including IP licensing, patent and trademark litigation, anti-trust laws, IT encryption and regulation, anti-piracy and counterfeiting, mergers and acquisitions and unfair competition issues in Greater China. The firm also focuses on China–Australia business relations and frequently works with IP Australia and the Australian Embassy in China.

As well as co-founding MMLC, Matthew is an arbitrator, a lecturer for various universities and an active pro-bono contributor. It is fitting, therefore, that this award recognises his corporate achievement and contribution to the law profession in China and the Asia-Pacific region. Congratulations from everyone at Freshfields, Matthew!