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Every month, JLegal examines the PQE of a senior in-house counsel. This month we speak with Christopher Y. Chan and discover one of his favourite places to be is with family, celebrating Thanksgiving in the United States.

- What is on your mind at the moment?
Running. Last year I had my second major knee surgery and it's prevented me from running. It's been really humbling as I patiently rebuild everything and deal with chronic pain.
- What secret talent do you have?
I have a very high pain threshold.
- If you weren't a lawyer you would be a ...
Diplomat.
- Where is the best place you have ever been to?
While I like to discover new places, living abroad has made me really miss home and my family. The best place is my brother's house in San Diego where my family gathers once a year for Thanksgiving.
- What is your idea of misery?
You know that feeling you get sometimes when you are in bed dreaming, and then you wake up, but you can't move your body. It's apparently called sleep paralysis. That's a pretty terrible feeling.
- What do you consider the most overrated virtue?
Patience.
- What is your motto?
"Try to live a life less ordinary." My other favorite motto is "nothing worthwhile is easy."
- If you could have one superpower it would be ...?
The ability to understand any form of language and communicate with anyone or anything.
- What irritates you?
I like to ask people when I meet them, what do they love to do (note: not "what they do"). It shouldn't bother me but I really hate it when people reply "shopping."
- Top 3 favourite movies of all time?
The Motorcycle Diaries, Before Sunrise, Love Actually.
- What was your last Google search?
Climbing Mount Merapi.
- Which of the Seven Dwarfs is most like you?
I had to take one of those online quizzes to answer this question. According to the quiz, I'm most like Doc.

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