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## EDUCATION

2013-2014	<b>The Chinese University of Hong Kong</b> Postgraduate Certificate in Laws (PCLL) – Distinguish Scholarship Place
2011-2013	<b>The Chinese University of Hong Kong</b> Juris Doctor (JD) – GPA: 3.425/4.0
2008-2011	<b>City University of Hong Kong</b> Bachelor of Building Engineering (Construction Engineering & Management) (Law Minor) (BEBECEMLM) Second Class Honors (Division One)
2008-2009	<b>Construction Industry Council Training Academy</b>
2001-2008	<b>Salesian English School (Secondary Section)</b>

## WORK EXPERIENCE

Sep 2015 – Present	<b>Practicing Barrister</b>	
Sep – Nov 2015	<b>Extended Pupilage</b> with Ms. Queenie W.S. Ng	
Aug 2014 – Sep 2015	<b>Pupillage</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Pupil of Mr. Anthony P.W. Cheung</li><li>• Pupil of Mr. Gary Soo</li><li>• Pupil of Mr. Albert Luk</li></ul>	
Jul – Aug 2013	<b>Li, Kwok &amp; Law &amp; Co</b>	<b>Summer Internship</b>
Jul – Sep 2012	<b>High Court of Hong Kong</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Judge's Marshal of the Hon. Justice Louis Chan</li></ul>	<b>Judge's Marshal</b>
Jun – Aug 2010	<b>Hanison Construction Limited (Main contractor)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Construction project in Discovery Bay Phase 14.</li><li>• Assisted in conducting site reports and project programmes.</li><li>• Assisted in conducting site investigations and material testing.</li><li>• Assisted in submissions such as shop drawings submissions, method statements.</li><li>• Assisted in dealing with sub-contractors.</li></ul>	<b>Summer Internship</b>

## AWARD

2015	<b>Society of Construction Law (Hong Kong) Scholarship</b>
2007	<b>The 40<sup>th</sup> Joint School Science Exhibition (SS)</b> Achievement in Engineering and Technology Award.

## ADDITIONAL

Languages: English (Fluent), Mandarin (Fluent), Cantonese (Native)

**Mr. Matthew Cheung** is a practising barrister. He has a board civil and commercial practice with emphasis on construction disputes, building management disputes, family/matrimonial matters, land law, intellectual property law, and trust matters.

Before joining the legal profession, Matthew obtained a Bachelor of Building Engineering (Construction Engineering & Management) from City University of Hong Kong.

Matthew served his pupillage with Mr. Anthony Cheung, Mr. Gary Soo, Mr. Albert Luk and Ms. Queenie Ng. He has also served as Marshall to the Honourable Mr. Justice Louis Chan, former judge of the Court of First Instance of the High Court.

Matthew was called to the Bar in 2015 and was awarded the Society of Construction Law Hong Kong Scholarship. Matthew is also currently serving in the Committee of Construction Law in Hong Kong Bar Association.

Matthew has been an Associate of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (ACI Arb) since 2019.

For criminal matters, Matthew has acted for both prosecution and defence in criminal cases concerning a wide variety of offences.

Matthew is currently a visiting lecturer of the Hong Kong Polytechnic University. He has also been invited by different institutions to be a speaker on various topic including land and building management matters.

**Selected Cases:**

**Secretary for Justice v. Wong Lai Yin And Another [2021] HKCA 1982; CAMP 161/2021** – Acting for the 1<sup>st</sup> Defendant in an appeal against a judge’s decision of dismissing appeal against Master’s decision (dismissing application for striking out under the ground of “without prejudice” privilege) (led by Mr. C.Y. Li S.C.). Having heard the argument for the parties, the Court of Appeal consider that the appeal is reasonably arguable and therefore give leave to appeal, but the appeal is dismissed.

**Secretary for Justice v. Wong Lai Yin And Another [2021] HKCFI 11195; HCA 2169/2017** – Acting for the 1<sup>st</sup> Defendant in an application for leave to appeal to the Court of Appeal (led by Mr. C.Y. Li S.C.).

**Secretary for Justice v. Wong Lai Yin And Another [2021] HKCFI 162; HCA 2169/2017** – Acting for the 1<sup>st</sup> Defendant (also representing the 1<sup>st</sup> Defendant in the hearing before Master) in an appeal against Master’s decision for dismissing application for striking out under the ground of “without prejudice” privilege (led by Mr. C.Y. Li S.C.).

**HKSAR v. Woo Tim-wing & other KCCC 688/2020** – Representing the 1<sup>st</sup> Defendant in a criminal trial of one count of unlawful assembly and one count of possessing articles with intent to damage property; the 1<sup>st</sup> Defendant was acquitted for the charge of unlawful assembly (with Ms. Queenie Ng).

**Greater Hero Limited v. Force Way Engineering Limited [2020] HKCFI 2459; HCA 1152/2020** – Representing an employer/developer applying for interlocutory injunction requiring a contractor to hand-over and to vacate the Employer’s Site after termination of contract; also successfully in applying for costs of the application (with Mr. Solomon Lam).

***Swallow Kingdom Holdings Ltd v. Lo Kok Shing Leo and others* [2020] HKCFI 2396; HCA 2260/2016** in August 2020 – Representing the plaintiff, a new shareholder of a company, in a 7-day trial claiming against ex-shareholders and ex-directors of company for *inter alia* breach of contract and misrepresentation by failing to disclose debts payable by company in a sale and purchase transaction of the company's shares; also successfully resisting defendants' late discovery on the first day of trial.

*A Serie of Probate proceedings (undisclosed) in May 2020* – Representing a beneficiary of an estate seeking directions from the High Court of Hong Kong in relation to treatment of a sum payable to an estate (over HK\$ 300 million) (with Ms. Queenie Ng).

*An Arbitration in December 2019-January 2020* - Representing a building contractor (with Mr. Gary Soo) in a 10-day trial in an arbitration against an incorporated owners of a building.

***Cheung Wai Sing Jackie Walter v. Billion Credit Financial Co. Ltd* [2020] HKDC 94; DCMP 3325/2018** – Representing for a lender in a claim against a licensed money lender in a trial.

***何燕薇 v. Du Dan* [2019] HKDC 1123; DCCJ 3591/2018** - Representing respondent in resisting applicant's application for leave to appeal to the Court of Appeal.

***Ho Yin Mi v. Du Dan* [2019] HKDC 1089; DCCJ 3591/2018; DCCJ 2187/2019** – Representing the plaintiff, a landlord of a property, resisting defendant's (tenant of the plaintiff's property) application for stay of execution of writ of possession.

***何燕薇 v. Du Dan* [2019] HKDC 901; DCCJ 3591/2018** – Representing the respondent (landlord in this case) applying for leave to appeal to Court of Appeal against an order for stay of execution .

***Tam Sang William & Another v. Legendtoonland* HCA 2335/2018** – Representing the defendant, a company, successfully resisting an Order 14 Application for summary judgement taken out by the defendant's previous shareholders (*No reported judgement*).

***Ko Nga Chun v. Companhia De Desenvol Vimento Wui San Limitada and Another* [2018] HKCFI 1134; HCA 277/2012** – Representing the plaintiff in a dishonoured cheque case (with Mr. Anthony Cheung).

***Interactive Media Network (China) Holdings Ltd v. Just Media Group Ltd and Others* [2018] HKCFI 1114; HCA 2291/2017** – Representing plaintiff applying for interlocutory injunction against defendants in a passing-off action (led by Mr. Anson Wong S.C.).

***Kwai Tak Ming v. K.S. Capital One Ltd and Others* [2017] HKCA 345; CACV 132/2016** – application for leave to appeal to Court of Final Appeal.

***Wide Power Corporation Ltd v. The Incorporated Owners of Manhattan Court* [2016] HKCFI 968; HCA 1485/2013** – Application for leave to appeal against an order allowing the defendant to file supplemental expert report at a late stage.

Prosecution on Fiat for the Department of Justice – October 2016 - present