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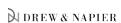
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Dr Caroline Kenny KC Chartered Arbitrator Keynote Speaker



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8:55 — 9:10	Welcome Message by Chairman Robert Pé, Independent Arbitrator and Mediator, Arbitration Chambers	12:45 — 13:45	Networking Lunch		
		13:45 — 14:30	Shareholder & Stakeholders Disputes — Best Practices and Tips for Inhouse Counsels Moderator: • Edward Beeley, Partner, HFW Panellists: • Kevin Hong, Partner, Norton Rose Fulbright • Winnie Tam SC, Independent Arbitrator • Elizabeth Shin, Senior Foreign Attorney, Lee & Ko		
9:10 — 9:30	Practitioner's View and Forecast in International Arbitration in The Region and Hong Kong Peter Murphy, Partner, HFW				
9:30 — 9:50	Keynote Session: Recent Developments Affecting Global International Arbitration and the Outlook for 2025 Dr Caroline Kenny KC, Chartered Arbitrator				
9:50 — 10:35	1st Grand Panel: Asia — Enforcement & Invalidity of Awards: Understanding Arbitration Clauses & Monetising an Award — Regional Issues to Consider Moderator: Randolph Khoo, Managing Director, Dispute Resolution, Drew & Napier Panellists: Kevin Warburton, Partner, HFW Ben Bury, Director, Group General Counsel, Gammon Construction Limited Leonora Riesenburg, Independent Chartered Arbitrator and Accredited Mediator, INTADR DMCC Guoyong Huang, Assistant President and Director of International Cooperation and Development Department, Shenzhen Court of International Arbitration (SCIA)	14:30 — 14:55	Securing Cross-border Assets Barry Hoy, Partner, Robertsons 5th Grand Panel: Anti-Trust Law — Compliance & Regulatory Issues with Hong Kong & Foreign Companies Moderator: • Catrina Lam S.C., Des Voeux Chambers Panellists: • Howard Chan, Of Counsel, Herbert Smith Freehills Kramer • Joshua Chan, Barrister, Temples Chambers • Mohan Datwani, Deputy Chief Executive, The Hong Kong Chartered Governance Institute		
		14:55 — 15:40			
		15:40 - 16:05	Networking Break & Afternoon Refreshment		
10:35 — 11:15		16:05 — 16:30	Company from Armageddon Scott Warren, National Partner, Tokyo/ Shanghai, Squire Patton Boggs; Secretary, Executive Board, The Society for The Policing of Cyberspace		
		16:30 — 17:15			
11:15 – 11:40	Networking Break & Morning Refreshment				
11:40 — 12:00	Insolvency Disputes & Restructuring Andrew Hart, Partner, Hart Giles Solicitors &				
42.00 42.45	Notaries 3rd Grand Panel: Art of Negotiation — Tactical Issues in Why Arbitration, Why Mediation and Why Not? Moderator: • Leonora Riesenburg, Independent Chartered Arbitrator and Accredited Mediator, INTADR DMCC Panellists: • Gary Gao, Partner, Zhong Lun Law Firm • Queenie Lau SC, Barrister, Temple Chambers • Ee Yang Lee, Managing Director, Covenant Chambers LLC • Dr Caroline Kenny KC, Chartered Arbitrator	17:15 — 17:20	Closing Remarks & Lucky Draw		
12:00 – 12:45		17:20 — 18:30	Networking Drinks		

Robert Pé, Independent Arbitrator and Mediator, Arbitration Chambers

Robert Pé, FCIArb, is an independent arbitrator and CEDR-accredited mediator and has been a member of Arbitration Chambers since 2017. Prior to that, he was a partner of a leading US-origin international law firm for whom he headed up the Asia disputes practice. He served on the HKIAC's Council from 2014 to 2020 and on the ICC Court from 2017 to 2024. He was also Co-Chair of the ICC's Belt and Road Commission.

Peter Murphy, Partner, HFW

Peter is a dispute resolution lawyer specialising in shipping, international trade, commodities, energy and resources and general commercial disputes, focusing on international arbitration, litigation, contentious insolvencies, asset recovery and enforcement. Peter acts for and advises trading companies, banks, investment funds, charterers, shippowners, operators, P&I Clubs and other insurers. Shipping experience includes a wide range of charterparty disputes (time charters, voyage charters and contracts of affreightment), bills of lading, carriage of goods by sea and sale and purchase disputes. Trade and commodities experience includes coal, iron ore, metals, oil and petroleum products, cotton, agri and other soft commodities. In contentious insolvencies, he acts for claimants in substantial claims against counterparties in Hong Kong and across the Asia-Pacific region.

Peter is qualified to practice in both English and Hong Kong Courts and has considerable experience of arbitrations in Hong Kong, London and Singapore. He also assists clients in managing arbitrations and court proceedings across Asia, including the PRC, Indonesia, the Philippines, Australia, India, Pakistan, Vietnam and Taiwan. His arbitration experience includes HKIAC, SIAC, CIETAC, LMAA, ICC, FOSFA, GAFTA and LCIA arbitrations.

Peter has an LLM Master of Laws degree in shipping and insurance from London University. Having lived and worked in Hong Kong since 1997, Peter has advised and assisted many clients with issues arising throughout Asia-Pacific, the Middle east and elsewhere. Peter has been with HFW since 1998.

Dr Caroline Kenny KC, Chartered Arbitrator

Caroline Kenny is a Chartered I arbitrator specialising in international commercial disputes. She has more than 35 years' experience acting in complex international matters, including over 16 years as King's Counsel. She is admitted to practice in Australia, the United Kingdom and New York. She is currently serving her second term as the elected Trustee for Australasia to the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, headquartered in London. She is highly respected in the international arbitration community for her commitment to the promotion of arbitration as the preferred means for resolving international disputes and for her diligent, responsive and practical approach as an arbitrator.

Caroline has served as presiding arbitrator, sole arbitrator and wing arbitrator in a broad range of complex disputes, including banking, finance, joint ventures, construction, Mergers and Acquisitions, energy, insurance, re-insurance, IT, licensing, sale of business, manufacture, sale of goods, crypto-currency, entertainment and sports. Caroline also has a keen interest in sports arbitration. She is a panel member for the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS). She is also a member of Australia's National Sports Tribunal.

Caroline is the Regional Pathway Leader for the Asia Pacific to teach CIArb's Fellowship courses and has been involved in teaching CIArb's Fellowship courses for more than 10 years. She was the Course Director for the pre-eminent Asia Pacific diploma course held in Singapore from 1 to 9 March 2025.

Randolph Khoo, Managing Director, Dispute Resolution, Drew & Napier

Randolph is the Managing Director of the Dispute Resolution Department of Drew & Napier LLC, Singapore. He also heads the dispute resolution practices of the firm's Greater China Desk, International Trade and Private Client Practice Groups.

Randolph has an active advocacy practice in international arbitration and mediation, cross border and domestic litigation. He is recognised and ranked by various publications including Chambers Asia-Pacific, Chambers Global, Legal 500 Asia Pacific, Asialaw Leading Lawyers, Chambers High Net Worth, Doyle's Guide and is a Benchmark Litigation Disputes Star.

Apart from counsel work, Randolph is also a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and of arbitration institutes of Singapore, Malaysia, New Zealand, Hong Kong and India. He is also on arbitration panels of arbitral institutions in Singapore, Malaysia, India, China and Russia as well as being a specialist mediator with the Singapore International Mediation Centre and the Mediation & Conciliation Network.

Jeremy Bartlett, S.C. Barrister, Princes Chambers

Prior to joining the Hong Kong Bar in 1999 Jeremy was in private practice at Herbert Smith and from 1994 to 1999 an international equity partner with Coudert Brothers where he was Head of the Litigation Department and Co-Head of the firm's Asia Region Arbitration Practice Group (9 regional offices). Following upon his extensive experience as advocate/counsel in arbitrations, Jeremy acts as arbitrator (sole, co-arbitrator or and presiding arbitrator) in international commercial arbitrations and has accepted appointments under the rules of various institutions as well as in ad hoc arbitrations. Jeremy acts in a broad range of commercial litigation, including company and shareholder disputes, insolvency, trusts and estates, international trade and shipping, conflict of laws, defamation, employment/restraint of trade, professional negligence and securities regulatory matters. His practice has involved numerous appearances in the appellate Courts, including in the Court of Final Appeal [1] . He has been a contributing editor to Hong Kong Civil Procedure. Jeremy has received rankings in successive editions of Chambers and Partners, Legal 500 (Commercial Disputes: Tier 1 leading silk; Family and Private Client: Tier 2 leading silk), Legal 500 Arbitration Power List and Who's Who Legal as well as in Euromoney's Guide to Experts in Commercial Arbitration. He regularly speaks at international conferences and gives lectures at Mainland Chinese universities and law firms on arbitration topics.

Leonora Riesenburg, Independent Chartered Arbitrator and Accredited Mediator, INTADR DMCC

Leonora Riesenburg is an Independent Chartered Arbitrator and Accredited Mediator at INTADR DMCC, Dubai, and an International Tenant at 4-5 Gray's Inn Square in London.

She is a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CIArb), a Fellow of Asian Institute of Alternative Dispute Resolution (AlADR), and stands as a leading figure in international arbitration, mediation and ADR in Middle East, Asia, and the UK. Leonora specialises in complex disputes across key sectors, notably in investment, infrastructure, construction, real estate, joint ventures, banking and finance, and receives routine Chairmanship appointments. Her affiliations with prestigious arbitral institutions—among them the ICC, LCIA, SIAC, DIAC, ADCCAC, SCCA, MIAC, AIADR—further solidify her standing as a leading figure in international arbitration. Leonora's leadership is reflected in her previous roles as Branch Chair of CIArb UAE, as an Elected Member of the Board of Management for CIArb London, and member of DIFC Courts Arbitration Division Working Group. She is a member of LCIA Arabs Users' Council and a member of the Swiss Arbitration Association. Leonora is a highly in demand faculty member for the CIArb globally and the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS) in the MENA Region and in the UK, playing a pivotal role in shaping the next generation of dispute resolution practitioners. Her global influence extends through her service with leading institutions worldwide, including in Asia, the Governing Council of the Hyderabad Arbitration Centre (HAC) in India as well as the Global Advisory Panel for Musaliha International Centre for Arbitration and Dispute Resolution (MICADR) in Pakistan.

Edward Beeley, Partner, HFW

Edward specialises in complex and high-value multi-jurisdictional litigation and arbitration involving international trade, commodities and finance, from initial advice to successful enforcement.

Edward's arbitration experience includes acting for market-leading traders, financial institutions and related service providers under all the major institutional regimes (including the HKIAC, SIAC, UNCITRAL, LCIA and LMMA rulebooks) in jurisdictions across Asia and Europe. He also advises clients on asset tracing, preservation and enforcement.

Edward's commercial litigation practice includes contentious insolvency and fraud with a particular emphasis on complex high-value commercial disputes in the international trade and investment spaces. He regularly appears as an advocate before the Hong Kong Courts, and is qualified in England ${\bf \hat{x}}$ Wales, Hong Kong, and the British Virgin Islands.

Edward has been based in Asia since 2014. Before joining HFW, Edward gained a Masters degree in Engineering from the University of Durham and worked as a project manager for a Fortune Global 150 multinational in the United Kingdom, France and Holland. In 2023 Edward was ranked as one of Hong Kong's 10 most influential lawyers under 40 by Asian Business Review.

Catrina Lam S.C., Des Voeux Chambers

Catrina is an accomplished barrister with a versatile practice encompassing all aspects of commercial disputes, including both domestic and international arbitrations, competition and regulatory matters, and administrative and constitutional law. She is widely recognised for her expertise and has consistently been ranked in the top tier of her field. She holds a "Band 1" ranking for Commercial Dispute Resolution in Chambers & Partners and a "Tier 1" ranking in Commercial Disputes, Competition, and Administrative and Public Law in Legal 500. Her expertise in competition law has also garnered her recognition as a Recommended Global Leader in Who's Who Legal. Catrina commands "particularly high esteem for her accomplished competition law practice" and is "widely identified as Hong Kong's front runner for competition matters". She has been described as "the most experienced and well-rounded competition counsel in Hong Kong" with "second-to-none knowledge of Hong Kong competition law and litigation".

Catrina regularly appears as counsel in arbitrations and related court applications. She also serves as an arbitrator in a wide range of commercial disputes and is a member of the arbitrator panels for the Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre (HKIAC), the Shanghai International Arbitration Centre, and the Shenzhen Court of International Arbitration.

Beyond her practice, Catrina is active in public service. She has served as a Temporary Deputy Registrar of the High Court and as a Deputy District Judge. She has also been appointed by the Hong Kong Government to various statutory appeal boards and tribunals. Since 2009, she has been serving as the Secretary of the Middle Temple Society in Hong Kong and, in recognition of her contributions, was appointed an Honorary Member of The Honourable Society of the Middle Temple in 2018.

Catrina speaks English, Cantonese and Putonghua (conversational), and is a CEDR-accredited mediator.

Jonathan Ah-weng, Barrister, Parkside Chambers

Jonathan has been recommended in Doyle's Guide and Legal 500 for his criminal, and family & private client practice. Aside from a focus on commercial crimes, Jonathan acts in civil commercial matters concerning frauds, trusts, and matrimonial disputes. In both his criminal and civil practice, Jonathan regularly advises private high networth clients and companies, both locally and in China.

Jonathan is a seasoned and trusted advocate in all levels of court and is "well-respected" and "very user-friendly". He also conducts arbitration and complex multi-party mediations.

Outside practice, Jonathan has been an active advocacy trainer in Hong Kong since 2007, for barristers and other bodies, such as the Department of Justice and the Hong Kong Stock Exchange. He is a regular trainer for other jurisdictions, including Malaysia/Singapore/South Africa. In public service, Jonathan is a member of the Chief Executive's Election Committee, and serves as honorary secretary to Union Church (Cap.1052). He also serves as chairman for Building Appeal Tribunal.

Gary Gao, Partner, Zhong Lun Law Firm

Mr. Gary GAO is the Partner and the Head of Compliance & Regulatory Department of Zhong Lun Law Firm. Gary is a skilled litigator and arbitrator with over 28 years experiences handling complex, cross-border arbitration, litigation as well as sophisticated commercial disputes. He has represented clients in commercial arbitration before the ICC, HKIAC, SHIAC and other arbitral institutions.

He has rich experience in international arbitration, litigation and mediation, familiar with the strategic planning of dispute resolution in multiple jurisdictions, the collection, screening and rules of proof of cross-border evidence production. In particular, Gary is good at dealing with disputes involving corporate equity, partnership private equity investment, procurement contracts, cross-border mergers and acquisitions, insurance claims, etc., and often acts as an expert witness on Chinese law in international litigation or arbitration proceedings. Furthermore, Gary also provide legal advice on Chinese substantive and procedural law to foreign clients or international law firms.

In addition, Gary has served as arbitrator in arbitrations conducted under HKIAC, SHIAC, SHAC and other arbitral institutions, and is included in the Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre's List of Arbitrators, the LCIA Database of Arbitrators, the Korean Commercial Arbitration Board's Panel of Arbitrators, the List of WIPO Mediators and Arbitrators, the Shanghai International Arbitration Center's List of Arbitrators and the Shanghai Arbitration Commission's List of Arbitrators.

Kevin Hong, Partner, Norton Rose Fulbright

Kevin Hong leads the international arbitration and litigation practice of Norton Rose Fulbright in Hong Kong. He has a particular focus on arbitration and arbitration related court proceedings and has acted as counsel in arbitral proceedings conducted under different institutional rules such as the HKIAC, UNCITRAL, SIAC, LCIA, CIETAC and LMAA rules as well as ad hoc arbitral proceedings in a number of jurisdictions.

Kevin accepts arbitrator appointments and is on the HKIAC's List of Arbitrators, SIAC's Reserve Panel of Arbitrators and the panels of arbitrators of Shenzhen Court of International Arbitration and Langfang Arbitration Commission.

Kevin has been named to Lawdragon's 500 Leading Global Litigators guide, ranked as "Up and Coming" in Dispute Resolution: Litigation (International Firms) by Chambers and Partners, shortlisted for the "Young Lawyer of the Year" award at the 2020 Asian Legal Business Hong Kong Law Awards and recognized by Legal 500 Asia Pacific in the areas of international arbitration, litigation and construction.

Kevin Warburton, Partner, HFW

Kevin Warburton is a Partner in HFW's disputes practice, based in the Hong Kong office. Kevin is an arbitration specialist, with a broad practice which also includes commercial litigation, regulatory/internal investigations and privacy/cyber related matters. He is experienced in advising clients in Hong Kong and overseas, including private and listed companies, financial institutions, high net worth individuals, entrepreneurs and multinational organisations. Kevin is admitted to practice in Hong Kong, England & Wales and the British Virgin Islands.

Scott Warren, National Partner, Tokyo/Shanghai, Squire Patton Boggs; Secretary, Executive Board, The Society for The Policing of Cyberspace

Scott Warren is a partner in our Tokyo and Shanghai offices, specializing in cybersecurity, data privacy and digital data disclosures in Asia and the Middle East. He also has significant experience in compliance, intellectual property (IP), litigation, dispute resolution, and government regulatory and internal investigations.

Scott started his career as a civil litigator in California. He moved to Japan in 1993, where he has lived since. He served seven years as general counsel at Sega Corporation and six years as a senior attorney at Microsoft. He serves on the executive board of The Society for the Policing of Cyberspace, a nonprofit organization. He headed Kroll in Japan and Kroll Ontrack across Asia, and later opened Epiq Systems in Japan, providing IP protection, computer forensics and e-discovery solutions.

Scott is a California-licensed lawyer and a licensed foreign lawyer in Japan. He is a Certified International Counter-Cyber Crime Professional and certified as a member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CIArb). Since 2004, he has served on the Society for the Policing of Cyberspace, a non-profit organization dedicated to working with its global members towards a more secure Internet. He serves at the American Chamber of Commerce in Japan, where he was awarded Leader of the Year for 2020, as Co-Chair of the Legal Services & Intellectual Property Committee; Vice-Chair of the Secure Digital Infrastructure Committee; vice-Chair of the Information, Communication and Technology Committee; and Vice Chair of the Digital Forum.

Howard Chan, Of Counsel, Herbert Smith Freehills Kramer

Howard is a member of Herbert Smith Freehills Kramer's Competition, Regulation and Trade team in Asia. He has an in-depth knowledge of competition law regimes across Asia (including Hong Kong, Mainland China, and South East Asian jurisdictions such as Singapore and Indonesia), as well as the EU and UK. His practice also

includes FDI regulation and other regulatory regimes in Asia and Europe, such as the EU Foreign Subsidies Regulation.

Howard frequently advises on complex antitrust issues arising in cross-border transactions, joint venture structures, and other forms of cooperation arrangements. He has worked for clients across many different industries, with a particular focus on the automotive, consumer goods, energy, banking, and TMT sectors.

Howard's expertise is widely recognised in a number of legal practitioners guides. He is ranked as a Leading Associate by Legal 500, and a Competition Future Leader (Non Partner) by Who's Who Legal.

Winnie Tam SC, Independent Arbitrator

Winnie is a Senior Counsel of the Hong Kong Bar, an independent international arbitrator in commercial disputes, and well-established as a leading barrister and intellectual property specialist practising from Des Voeux Chambers. Winnie was Chairman of the Hong Kong Bar Association between 2015-2017, and holds qualifications to practise in the Greater Bay Area of China, Singapore and England and Wales. Winnie served as a Recorder of the Court of First Instance of the High Court of Hong Kong between 2015-2023, and continues to sit as a Deputy High Court Judge on an ad hoc basis.

Winnie has repeatedly been recognised by peer-reviewed arbitration publications as one of the most in-demand arbitrators in Hong Kong and in Greater China, and has substantial experience arbitrating in both English and in Chinese (Putonghua), in cases conducted under rules of institutions including HKIAC, ICC, SCC, AAA-ICDR, SIAC, CIETAC and SCIA, and under UNCITRAL rules. She currently serves as a Hong Kong delegate of the ICC Arbitration Commission, and a member of the IBA Taskforce on the use of AI in International Arbitration.

Guoyong Huang, Assistant President and Director of International Cooperation and Development Department, Shenzhen Court of International Arbitration (SCIA)

Mr. Huang Guoyong has nearly twenty years of working experience in financial institutions government departments and arbitration institutions. He has extensive experience in dispute resolution, specializing in the fields of international trade, finance and capital markets. He joined the Shenzhen Court of International Arbitration (SCIA) in 2017, and serves as Director of the International Cooperation and Development Department, taking charge of administration of foreign-related arbitration cases, communications between legal & business communities, international cooperation, as well as collaboration among the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area. Mr. Huang also provides support and guidance for the operation of specialized platforms such as the SCIA Mediation Center, and GBA Arbitration & Mediation Alliance, etc. In 2024, Mr. Huang was appointed as the Assistant President of the SCIA.

Ben Bury, Director, Group General Counsel, Gammon Construction Limited

Ben joined Gammon in 2023. For more than 18 years, Ben has worked on the legal aspects of major construction projects in Hong Kong, Singapore and across the globe. He is qualified in Hong Kong, England and Wales and was a Registered Foreign Lawyer in the Singapore International Commercial Court. Prior to joining Gammon, Ben was a Partner in the construction team at a large international sector-focused law firm. He has been based in Asia since 2011 and has been involved in complex assignments across the region. Ben is highly commended in the legal directories and, in 2021, at the age of 38, Ben was named by Asia Legal Business on their list of the 40 best lawyers in Asia under 40. Ben oversees the Legal Department covering governance, legal advice, compliance, insurance, and company secretarial services.

Ee Yang Lee, Managing Director, Covenant Chambers LLC

Lee Ee Yang is the Managing Director of Covenant Chambers LLC, a Singapore law firm with a strong emphasis on dispute resolution and international arbitration. Beginning his career in one of the "Big Four" firms in Singapore, Ee Yang walked the unconventional path and started a litigation practice in his fifth year of practice. Since founding Covenant Chambers LLC in 2016, Ee Yang has seen his practice expand, with a focus on cross border commercial and property disputes. Ee Yang's expertise in arbitration is complemented by his extensive litigation experience at all levels of the Singapore courts. Ee Yang was a recipient of the prestigious Singapore Academy of Law Overseas Scholarship and was attached to Essex Court Chambers, a highly regarded barristers chambers in the United Kingdom, working with established King's Counsel.

Vanina Sucharitkul, Chair, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (Ciarb) Thailand Branch

Dr. Vanina Sucharitkul is a Partner at Rajah & Tann Singapore, specialising in international arbitration and has experience advising clients on a diverse range of cross-border disputes in a range of sectors and investment treaty arbitration. Admitted to the California Bar, Vanina has practiced at international law firms in San Francisco, Bangkok, Paris, Hong Kong, and Singapore. Vanina has experience acting as counsel and advocate in arbitrations across multiple jurisdictions under the auspices of various institutions such as the ICC, the SIAC, the AAA, the HKIAC, the TAI and ICSID. In addition, Vanina regularly sits as arbitrator.

Vanina was a Court Member of the International Court of Arbitration of the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) for nine years and has served as Director of ArbitralWomen for two terms. She currently chairs the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (Ciarb) Thailand Branch and is the Founding Co-President of Young Thailand Arbitration Center.

A graduate of U.C. Berkeley, Vanina then completed her Juris Doctor from U.C. Hastings College of the Law and LL.M. from Golden Gate University School of Law. She further obtained her Doctorat en Droit from Université Paris Panthéon-Assas (Paris II) on ISDS Reform. A tri-national, Vanina speaks Thai, French and English.

Chad Olsen, Partner & Head of Forensic Hong Kong, KPMG Advisory (China) Limited

Chad is the Forensic Leader and Head of Investigations for Hong Kong. He brings over 25 years of dedicated experience in the forensic industry. He is an Australia & NZ Chartered Accountant and has spent his career working in Australia, Singapore, Beijing and Hong Kong. He manages a dedicated team of over 40 forensic professionals in Hong Kong and is part of KPMG's broader Greater China team. He has held leadership roles with Tier One Financial Institutions and led high profile assignments related to the Singapore and Hong Kong Stock Exchanges, Deferred Prosecution Agreements, Consent Orders, Audit Committee and Regulatory Enquiries. Chad's work has allowed him to oversee assignments with senior stakeholders from all around Asia and the Globe.

Joshua Chan, Barrister, Temples Chambers

Joshua have been in practice since 2017. He has a civil practice, and have been fortunate enough to have been involved in a number of Competition Tribunal actions in recent years, including Competition Commission v Nutanix (bid-rigging), Taching Petroleum v Meyer Aluminium (private proceedings; price-fixing), Competition Commission v ATAL (bid-rigging), Competition Commission v TH Lee (price-fixing), Competition Commission v Linde HKO (refusal to deal), Competition Commission v Tien Chu (resale price maintenance) and Competition Commission v Gray Line Tours (price-fixing; determination of penalty).

Mohan Datwani, Deputy Chief Executive, The Hong Kong Chartered Governance Institute

Mr Mohan Datwani, Solicitor, FCG HKFCG(PE), LL.B, LL.M, MBA (lowa)(with distinction), Deputy Chief Executive of The Hong Kong Chartered Governance Institute.

Mr Mohan Datwani is a seasoned solicitor and governance professional with nearly 35 years of experience spanning law, corporate leadership, and public service. Formerly an owner of a prominent US international law firm, he led complex banking and finance ma1ers and uncovered a major international fraud, resulting in a landmark multi -billion-dollar judgment in the U.S. As General Counsel of a listed multinational, he directed cross-border legal, governance, and compliance strategies. Now Deputy Chief Executive of The Hong Kong Chartered Governance Ins tute (HKCGI), he spearheads policy, research, and advocacy across Hong Kong and mainland China, serving an about 10,000-strong professional community.

Notably, he submi1ed HKCGI's first formal proposal to the Financial Services and the Treasury Bureau, advocating for a Hong Kong re-domiciliation regime, and authored a pivotal Equal Opportunities Commission report to LegCo, driving institutional reform and adoption of the victim-centric approach. His work was recognised with the Directors of the Year Award by the Hong Kong Institute of Directors in 2018.

Queenie Lau SC, Barrister, Temple Chambers

Queenie Lau SC is a barrister at Temple Chambers, Hong Kong. She commenced practice in 2008, and was appointed Senior Counsel last year.

Prior to becoming a barrister, Queenie qualified as a solicitor with Slaughter and May, Hong Kong. She remains on the roll of solicitors in England & Wales as a non-practising solicitor.

Queenie has a broad, predominantly civil, practice which includes commercial law, securities and regulatory matters, banking, company law, land law, conveyancing, building management, professional negligence, employment law, family law, defamation, probate and commercial fraud. Queenie has sat as a temporary judge on a number of occasions over the years.

Queenie is regularly involved in arbitration and mediation. Queenie frequently acts as Counsel in arbitrations and also sits as arbitrator. Further, she has conducted over 100 mediations as mediator. She has experience conducting both arbitrations and mediations in Putonghua.

Elizabeth Shin, Senior Foreign Attorney, Lee & Ko

Ms. Elizabeth Shin is a Senior Foreign Attorney in the International Arbitration Team at Lee & Ko. Over the past decade, Ms. Shin's first-class performance in complex high-value commercial, construction and investment treaty arbitrations have earned her much-deserved recognition both at home and abroad. Market commentators have described her as a star player who "provides eloquent advocacy... and operates to an international standard".

Ms. Shin covers a broad range of industries, including trade, infrastructure, energy, nuclear, construction, shareholder disputes, shipping, entertainment, sports, IP and the arts. She played a key role in the heavily reported Kyobo Life Insurance ICC arbitrations which spanned across five years. Ms. Shin also has substantial experience assisting clients in foreign court proceedings in the UK, US and in Europe, and is noted for her ability to handle high-stakes negotiations in multibillion dollar projects.

She serves as a newly-appointed member of the ERA APAC Sub-Committee and previously served a two-year term as a Member of the Seoul International Dispute Resolution Center's (SIDRC) Public Relations Sub-Committee. Ms. Shin has authored a number of legal publications, including a recent KCAB article examining CAS arbitration, and the South Korea Chapter in "GAR Know-how: Investment Treaty Arbitration".

Ms. Shin was named as a "Next Generation Partner" in International Arbitration by Legal 500 in 2025 and a "Rising Star" in 2023 and 2024. She was also selected as a "Rising Star" in International Arbitration by the Legal Times in 2024, and earlier this year, she was selected by the Korea Economic Daily as one of the three leading female partners at Lee & Ko.

Andrew Hart, Partner, Hart Giles, Solicitors & Notaries

Andrew is a founding partner of the Solicitors' firm, Hart Giles, Solicitors & Notaries established in 2011; Solicitor admitted in England & Wales in 1987 and Hong Kong in 1988. Andrew is also a Notary Public in Hong Kong, a Solicitor Advocate (Civil) in Hong Kong and England, a Fellow of the Institute of Arbitrators, an Accredited Mediator and a Civil Celebrant of Marriages, as well as being a practitioner of Neuro Linguistic Programming and Hypnosis. Andrew's specialisation is in dispute resolution, including (a) contractual disputes, (b) employment, (c) banking, (d) insolvency, (e) trusts and (f) corporate.

Barry Hoy, Partner, Robertsons

Barry Hoy is a Partner at Robertsons, heading the firm's Litigation and Dispute Resolution Department.

Barry's own areas of practice are in Commercial Litigation, Commercial Fraud and Tracing Claims, Employment Law, Corporate, Regulatory (Securities and Futures Commission / The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong) Inquiries and Tribunals, International Arbitrations and urgent interlocutory applications and remedies, including Mareva and Anton Piller Injunction Orders.

As a litigator, Barry has been regularly identified and recommended for litigation in Hong Kong publications such as "Who's Who of the Law". He is a Contributing Editor to the Hong Kong Supreme Court Practice (White Book), was also appointed to a Specialist Law Society appointed Committee advising on Civil Procedure Reforms in Hong Kong, and an appointed Panel-Prosecutor for the Law Society of Hong Kong in Disciplinary Proceedings brought against members of the profession and a part-time lecturer at the University of Hong Kong.

Joanne Lau, Secretary-General, Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre

Joanne is the Secretary-General of the Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre. As HKIAC's principal officer, she leads the Secretariat and is responsible for the overall management of the centre, including overseeing its international dispute resolution services and operations across its Hong Kong, Beijing, Shanghai and Seoul offices. She also works closely with the HKIAC Council and committees in the development and implementation of HKIAC's strategies and initiatives.

Prior to joining the HKIAC, Joanne was a Partner at Allen & Overy, specialising in international arbitration. As counsel, she represented clients in both international commercial arbitrations and investment treaty arbitrations in a wide variety of cases, across multiple sectors, jurisdictions and arbitral rules. She also regularly advised on arbitration-related court matters and sat as arbitrator.

Joanne is a past co-Chair of the HK45 Committee. She has been recognised in leading legal directories, including Chambers & Partners, Legal 500 and Who's Who Legal.

Alfred Wu, Partner, Dentons

Alfred Wu is a partner in Dentons' Litigation & Dispute Resolution Group in Hong Kong, with over 25 years of experience in commercial litigation, arbitration, and construction matters. He advises clients across a wide range of disputes, with a primary focus on both local and international arbitration. His clients include banks, listed companies, multinational corporations, funds, liquidators, and high-net-worth individuals.

Alfred has particular expertise in contentious and non-contentious construction and engineering matters, acting for government bodies, developers, consultants, contractors, and subcontractors. He also advises on construction-related criminal investigations and prosecutions.

In addition to his counsel work, Alfred regularly sits as an arbitrator in construction and commercial disputes. He is an HKIAC Accredited Mediator and a panel arbitrator of the panels of HKIAC, SIAC, AIAC, APIAC, SHIAC, and KCAB.

He is consistently recognised as a leading practitioner in litigation, construction and arbitration by Chambers & Partners, Legal 500, Benchmark Litigation, and Lexology Index.

Wendy L. Wysong, Managing Partner, Steptoe HK LLP

Wendy Wysong has focused her practice in Hong Kong, for almost 15 years, on regulatory compliance and white-collar defense of international laws, including the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (FCPA), International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR), Export Administration Regulations (EAR), US sanctions laws and regulations administered by the Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC), and US anti-boycott laws. As a former Assistant US Attorney in the District of Columbia and the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Export Enforcement in the Department of Commerce's Bureau of Industry & Security and, Wendy offers a unique combination of experience and insight as both a prosecutor and regulator.

Wendy is the managing partner of Steptoe's Hong Kong office. Ranked Band 1 by Chambers, clients report that Wendy is "brilliant at bringing to bear a global picture of how regulators react." She was named as one of the "Top 100 Women in Investigations" by Global Investigations Review who also named her one of 25 sanctions lawyers to have on speed dial.

Christopher Marks, Senior Managing Director, Ankura

Christopher Marks is a Senior Managing Director and regional lead for Data and Technology across APAC at Ankura based in Hong Kong SAR. Chris, with over 25 years' accountancy experience, has spent over 20 years in digital investigations with close involvement and oversight of complex cross-border litigation support, digital forensics, legal document review and FCPA investigations. Chris has carried out complex investigations to civil and criminal standards, with courtroom experience, utilising his understanding of facts derived from electronic evidence in an investigation and applying relevant best practices. He is highly skilled in all aspects of the Electronic Discovery Reference Model (EDRM) and helps clients respond to cybersecurity incidents using his many years of computer forensic experience.

Before joining Ankura in 2021, he was a Senior Managing Director and colead of the Asia technology practice at a major management consulting company having previously been Associate Partner at a Big Four professional services firm in Hong Kong.

Chris has been engaged on behalf of special committees and their independent counsel, clients' management in internal investigations, appointed monitors and compliance consultants pursuant to settlement agreements, and as a shadow investigator on behalf of a Big Four professional services firm's audit practice. He has worked with companies in many industries, but most extensively in social media, financial services, pharmaceuticals, oil & gas, mining, consumer and diversified industrial products, medical devices, and gaming.

His experiences of the various data laws and regulations across the Asia region enable him to provide expert advice to ensure compliance with the complex requirements of the many jurisdictions, particularly those of the People's Republic of China.

Benson Tsoi SC, Barrister, Parkside Chambers

Benson is a criminal barrister; he took silk in 2024. Before silk, he achieved the highest "star ranking" in Chambers and Partners' White Collar Crime category in the Greater China Region (becoming the first barrister in this field to do so) and was also awarded Winner of Lexology's Client Choice Award 2024. After silk, he was ranked as "Preeminent" Senior Counsel in Doyles Guide' Leading Criminal Law Barristers and a "thought-leader" in Lexology and Who's Who Legal rankings on business crime defence, white-collar crime, corporate compliance and regulatory enforcement (the highest categories) .

Called to the English Bar in 2005 (Lincoln's Inn) and the Hong Kong Bar in 2007, Benson practises in all areas of criminal law both at trial and appellate levels, with an emphasis on white collar and organised crime (often with a cross-border or international element). He has been ranked by various legal directories for his criminal practice in Chambers & Partners, Legal 500, Who's Who Legal/Lexology and Expert Guides. He has been engaged to provide expert evidence to foreign court on Hong Kong criminal law and procedure; he has also advised international corporations regarding potential criminal and regulatory liabilities under HK law.

He is a member of the Criminal Procedure Rules Committee (under s.9(1) Criminal Procedure Ordinance Cap.221) and an examining panel member of the Higher Rights Assessment Board.

He is also a contributing editor of Archbold Hong Kong's "bribery and corruption" chapter and an advocacy trainer for the HK Bar Association who has provided training overseas. He was a part-time lecturer at the University of Hong Kong on criminal procedure and has given lecture to Peking University on HK criminal procedure.



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