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Code	August onward	CPD / CPT / Non-core CPD Topics
Ma4	14 Aug (Fri) 1400-1745	**(Live Presentation and Webinar) (RME Elective)** How Notaries Public Prevent Fraud when Carrying Out Notarial Works **4 CPD & Elective RME points**
Au3	21 Aug (Fri) 1430-1745	**(Live Presentation and Webinar) (RME Elective)** Risk Management in Assisting Clients with Blockchain Transactions **3.5 CPD & Elective RME points**
S9	01 Sep (Tue) 0930-1730	Advanced Mandarin Workshop for Lawyers and other Professionals –Corporate Finance and Banking in China **7.5 CPD pts**
S1	02 Sep (Wed) 0930-1245	**(Webinar only)** Digital Property, Probate and Digital Wills
S14	04 Sep (Fri) 1430-1745	**(Live Presentation and Webinar)** The Universal Equitable Toolkit: Equitable Solutions to Disputes involving the Living, the Dead and all Forms of Property **NEW**
A12	07 Sep (Mon) 1400-1745	**(Live Presentation and Webinar) (RME Elective)** Confidentiality: Its creation and actions for breach **4 CPD & Elective RME**
J2	14 Sep (Mon) 1430-1745.	**(Live Presentation and Webinar)** Property – Land and other types – 2025 (2026 version) **NEW**
S4	16 Sep (Wed) 0930-1245	**(Webinar only)** Trustees: Management Duties, Powers and Liability
A9	18 Sep (Fri) 1400-1745	**(Live Presentation and Webinar) (RME Elective)** Wills and Probate: Common Local & Foreign Issues **4 CPD & Elective RME points Cantonese delivery with English materials**
S12	19 Sep (Sat) 0930-1245	**(Webinar only)** (RME Elective) Solicitors' Accounts Rules through the Nasirs® Hour-Glass Matrix℠ **3.5 CPD & Elective RME points NEW**
S3	21 Sep (Mon) 1430-1745.	**(Webinar only)** Artificial Intelligence and Intellectual Property: The Good, The Bad and The Ugly
S5	23 Sep (Wed) 0930-1245	**(Webinar only)** Recovering misappropriated property or its proceeds: the principles of following and tracing, and the liability of strangers to the trust?
S15	24 Sep (Thu) 1430-1745	**(Live Presentation and Webinar)** Key Employment Law Principles: Agreements, Restraints, Dismissals and Litigation **NEW**
M8	28 Sep (Mon) 1400-1745	**(Live Presentation and Webinar) (Elective RME)** Oaths, Affidavits & Declaration: Local & Foreign Issues **4 CPD & Elective RME points Cantonese delivery with English materials**
S13	29 Sep (Tue) 1430-1745	**(Live Presentation and Webinar)** Legal Updates on children protection, cross-border issues and ancillary relief **NEW**
O1	02 Oct (Fri) 1430-1745	**(Live Presentation and Webinar)** Dispute Involving Digital Assets
S8	03 Oct (Sat) 0945-1300	**(Webinar only)** Shareholders' rights : limitation periods in the Supreme Court
O2	07 Oct (Wed) 0930-1245	**(Live Presentation and Webinar) (RME Elective)** Digital Technology and Crime : Minimizing Risks from Cybercrime, AI-assisted Crime and Cryptocrime **CPD & Elective RME points applied for NEW**
O3	09 Oct (Fri) 1430-1745	**(Live Presentation and Webinar)** Adverse Possession Squatter's Rights and Encroaching on Other's Land in Hong Kong
O8	10 Oct (Sat) 0945-1300	**(Webinar only) (RME Elective)** Money Laundering **3.5 CPD & Elective RME points**
O16	13 Oct (Tue) 0930-1730	Advanced Mandarin Workshop for Lawyers and other Professionals –Corporate Finance and Banking in China **7.5 CPD points**
M6	14 Oct (Wed) 0930-1245	**(Webinar only)** Unjust Enrichment: does it exist and if so, what is it going and can we humanely
O5	16 Oct (Fri) 1430-1745	**(Live Presentation and Webinar)** The Law of Charities in Hong Kong and Possible Reform
O14	17 Oct (Sat) 0945-1300	**(Webinar only)** Medical Negligence: Personal Injuries
O15	20 Oct (Tue) 1430-1745	**(Live Presentation and Webinar)** Seepage Litigation **Cantonese Delivery with English materials**
O6	21 Oct (Wed) 0930-1245	**(Webinar only)** Illegality, Equity and Trusts in Hong Kong: clean hands, ex tarpi causa, reliance, locus poenitentiae, range of factors or what? **(2026 version focus on underground banking) NEW**
A11	22 Oct (Thu) 1430-1745	**(Live Presentation and Webinar)** Building Fire Safety and Legal Responsibility **Cantonese Delivery with English materials**
S7	30 Oct (Fri) 0945-1300	**(Webinar only)** Drafting Shareholder Agreements
Au5	30 Oct (Fri) 1430-1745	**(Live Presentation and Webinar)** A Practical Analysis of Convertible Securities for M&A Lawyers
O9	31 Oct (Sat) 0945-1300	**(Webinar only)** Inspection Right

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(Ma4) (Live Presentation and Webinar) (RME Elective) How Notaries Public Prevent Fraud when Carrying Out Notarial Works

Date: 14 August 2026 (Friday) **Time:** 2pm–5:45pm **LNG:** Cantonese Delivery with English materials **Lvl:** Intermediate
Speaker: Samuel Li, Solicitor & Notary Public, Samuel Li & Co
Lawyer/Trainee Solicitor/Foreign Lawyer / Other Professionals' Elective RME &CPD Points: 4 **Fee:** HK$2,400
It may repeat on 12 October 2026 Monday from 2pm to 5:45pm

Highlights: Court cases involving commission of fraud arise from time to time, underscoring the fact that fraud cannot be eliminated entirely. This reality makes the prevention of fraud important. The objective of this course is to provide insights on how to minimize the risk of litigation stemming from fraudulent activities and to reduce the likelihood of clients suffering financial losses due to fraudulent transactions or dealings. Notaries public have a duty to refrain from acting in situations involving fraud or violence. In this seminar, the speaker will address the common procedures adopted by notaries public to prevent fraud: to identify, assess, and manage fraud. These procedures are equally valuable to legal practitioners, as they help mitigate the risk of clients becoming fraud victims or reduce the likelihood of professionals being inadvertently involved in or facilitating fraudulent transactions. By studying the *modus operandi* of the court cases, the speaker will demonstrate how fraud has been perpetrated against companies in various transactions. Drawing from his 30 years of notary experience, he will also share practical strategies to prevent potential fraud and safeguard against such risks.

1. What is Notary Public?
2. Individual's Transactions
   - *HKSAR v Law Wing-ka, Devina* DCCC 1101/2015; *HKSAR v Ma Bo Kee And Others* CACC 458/2010
   - Risk Assessment; Notary's Preventive Measures
3. Company's Transactions
   - *Wong Wai Ping Jadie v Registrar of Companies* HCMP 1149/2018 ;
   - *Zhang Kan v SPH International Trading Co Ltd* DCCJ 4405/2016
   - *Hua Rong Finance Ltd v Mega Capital Enterprises Ltd* HCMP 1110/1998; Notary Authentication
4. Why are Notaries Targets of Fraudsters? 5. What if Signatures, Seals or Websites of Notaries are Forged? 6. Risk Management;
7. Words of Wisdom from an Expert to the Speaker; 8. Takeaways For Individuals; 9. Takeaways For Companies;
10. Speaker's Demonstration 11. Q&A

Remark: All eligible lawyers including partners, sole proprietor, consultants, assistant solicitors, foreign lawyers and trainees should take at least 3 Elective RME points each year. All solicitors can have 4 CPD points per seminar. However, we will give the priority to all eligible solicitors in obtaining elective RME points and CPD points.

(Au3) (Live Presentation and Webinar) (RME Elective) Risk Management in Assisting Clients with Blockchain Transactions

Date: 21 August 2026 (Friday) **Time:** 2:30pm–5:45pm **LNG:** English **Lvl:** Intermediate
Speaker: Stephen Gallagher, Professor of Practice in Law, Associate Dean (Academic & Student Affairs), the Faculty of Law, The Chinese University of Hong Kong
Lawyer/Trainee Solicitor/Foreign Lawyer / Other Professionals' Elective RME &CPD Points: 3.5 Fee: HK$2,100

Highlights: This three-hour course will consider the risks for solicitors in assisting clients with blockchain transactions in Hong Kong. Although the popularity of blockchain may be thought to have waned in recent times, the decision of regulatory authorities in Hong Kong to permit licensing of virtual asset trading platforms (VATPs), as part of Hong Kong's positioning itself as a global digital technology hub, raises a number of risks for solicitors in Hong Kong. Solicitors liability for their own actions and inactions is well-documented. It extends to liability that may arise to their clients under their contractual and fiduciary duties. Solicitors may be asked to advise clients on many activities involving cryptoassets.

These include delivering advice on the issues and practical solutions: affecting general crypto legal services; to use and incorporate blockchain technology; the use of smart contracts and automation; to initiate and/or invest in initial coin offerings (ICOs), security token offerings (STOs), and initial exchange offerings (IEO), including issuing legal opinions for offerings, drafting offering documents, and reviewing white papers; to use and invest in tokenisation using non-fungible tokens; to set up Hong Kong crypto funds; of the regulatory status of cryptoassets including anti-money laundering & counter-terrorist financing (AML/CTF), and SFO; to licence and regulate virtual asset trading platforms (VATPs) and virtual asset service providers (VASPs); to use their services; to conduct cryptocurrency block trades and escrow; and, to take action in cryptocurrency fraud and recovery matters. Many of these crypto-activities are technically complex and high risk; things may go wrong because of accident, mismanagement and/or crime, and loss to the client may ensue.

At this point, the client will look for someone to blame and to compensate them for their loss. As the crypto-world is cloaked in secrecy with pseudonyms the norm and anonymity seen as a great benefit for those operating in the crypto-world, it may be difficult for the client to find those they have dealt with or through, but they can (usually) find their solicitor quite easily. Thus, a solicitor advising clients on many issues involving cryptoassets may face action, both professional and legal, by their clients, and suffer penalty and/or incur liability.

This seminar considers the possible issues that may arise for clients as participants in the blockchain, investors in its products and facilitators in crypto-transactions. The criminal and civil liability of those involved with blockchain including those responsible for establishing the blockchain, promoters of coins and other tokens, auditors, nodes, members of a DAO, and digital asset platform providers including exchanges, are already being tested. The seminar considers the obligations and potential liabilities of solicitors advising on such matters, and how such risks may be mitigated.

Some of the topics which will be covered in this course include:

- What is a blockchain? Fungible tokens including cryptocurrencies;
- Non-fungible tokens (NFTs) including the tokenization of art and other receipts;
- Decentralized autonomous organizations (DAOs); Civil liability of promoters, auditors, nodes, members of a DAO, and digital asset platform providers including exchanges; Criminal liability including crimes and regulatory offences including theft of cryptoassets, frauds, money laundering, tax evasion, securities offences and insider trading;
- The potential obligations and liabilities of solicitors to their clients when advising on cryptoassets and other forms of blockchain activity.

Remark: All eligible lawyers including partners, sole proprietor, consultants, assistant solicitors, foreign lawyers and trainees should take at least 3 Elective RME points each year. All solicitors can have 3.5 CPD points per seminar. However, we will give the priority to all eligible solicitors in obtaining elective RME points and CPD points.

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(S9) Advanced Mandarin Workshop for lawyers and other professionals - Corporate Finance and Banking in China

Date: 01 September 2026 (Tuesday) **Time:** 9:30am–5:30pm (Lunch break from 1:20pm-2:30pm) **LNG:** Mandarin
Trainer: Cheung Wai Ying, Senior Mandarin Trainer, Central Learning Holdings Limited **Lvl:** Intermediate
Lawyer CPD /ACCA CPD / SFC CPT / Insurers' CPD Pts: 7.5 points Fee: HK$3,750

Highlight: This is an advanced course providing Mandarin Training to professionals (including lawyers, accountants and bankers etc). After an attendee has completed the course, such person should be able to discuss the terms of a listing prospectus in Mandarin with his/her PRC clients. The attendees should be able to pronounce the major terms of a typical listing prospectus and banking documents in Mandarin. This is a workshop type where each attendee will pay active role / interactive role to solve their daily difficulties and problem facilitating by our trainer. New syllabus will be based on the textbook "Putonghua for Legal Profession" written by 沈沂律師. The content includes 貸款與抵押、房地產交易、集資上市和商業事務等 and other work-related material carried by the attendee. Morning session focus on Corporate Finance and afternoon session emphasis on Banking and Investment Business.

- Introduction the key words used in a listing prospectus such as: A) A summary of a typical prospectus, risk factors and corporate information; B) Key aspects of an industry overview / general overview of the company; C) Management; D) Key terms of financial information; E) Future plan and use of proceed; F) Expected timetable; G) Risk factors and corporate information;
- Continuing with the practice in the Mandarin by means of dialogue from texts and a role-play.
- The content includes 貸款與抵押、房地產交易、集資上市和商業事務等; Will go through a few ISDA derivative documents in Mandarin;
- Concentrating on more practices for the individual attendee; Corporate Finance Role Play; Intensive Workshop; Discussion and Q & A

(S1) (Webinar only) Digital Property, Probate and Digital Wills

Date: 02 September 2026 (Wednesday) **Time:** 9:30am–12:45pm **LNG:** English **Lvl:** Elementary
Speaker: Stephen Gallagher, Professor of Practice in Law, Associate Dean (Academic & Student Affairs), the Faculty of Law, The Chinese University of Hong Kong
Lawyer CPD / ACCA CPD / SFC CPT / Insurers' CPD Pts: 3 points Fee: HK$1,800

Highlights: Lawyers are already engaging with digital property. For those assisting in estate planning and/or dealing with estates involving digital property, there have already been high-profile issues. These can involve issues in identifying, recovering and assigning digital property. This three-hour seminar will consider those issues. The first part of the seminar will consider issues that arise in estate planning involving digital property. This includes identifying digital property and considering the characteristics of various forms of digital property, including virtual property and crypto-property (including cryptocurrencies and non-fungible tokens (NFTs)). This part will also consider the problems with transferring ownership or control of digital property and recovering digital property. The second part of the seminar will consider the use of artificial intelligence to assist in drafting wills and the possible issues that may arise. The concluding part of the seminar will consider if we may use digital wills in Hong Kong, if they would be valid under existing Hong Kong law and if the law should be changed ensure digital wills will be valid. The seminar will conclude by considering some notable cases that have been decided on these issues.

Some of the topics which will be covered in this course include:

- What is electronic digital technology? What are digital assets and digital property? Is digital property really property?
- General issues with digital assets and property; Who owns your digital music collection? Who owns your social media? What is blockchain?
- What are cryptocurrencies and non-fungible tokens? Why probate practitioners should care about digital assets;
- Transferrable and non-transferrable digital assets; Can ChatGPT assist in drafting a will? What issues may arise when using artificial intelligence to draft wills? What are digital wills and are they valid and enforceable? The future including digital wills; Challenges in estate planning.

(S14) (Webinar only) The Universal Equitable Toolkit: Equitable Solutions to Disputes involving the Living, the Dead and all Forms of Property

Date: 04 September 2026 (Friday) **Time:** 2:30pm–5:45pm **LNG:** English **Lvl:** Elementary
Speaker: Stephen Gallagher, Professor of Practice in Law, Associate Dean (Academic & Student Affairs), the Faculty of Law, The Chinese University of Hong Kong
Lawyer CPD / ACCA CPD / SFC CPT / Insurers' CPD Pts: 3 points Fee: HK$1,800

Highlights: In *Whitlock v Moree* [2017] UKPC 44, at [23], the majority of the Privy Council (Lord Briggs, with whom Lady Hale and Lord Sumption agreed) observed that there are "well established principles which assist the courts in resolving disputes as to beneficial ownership of property, and the order in which what may be described as the contents of an equitable toolkit are to be deployed for that purpose." That toolkit, the Board emphasised, is grounded in first principles of equity.

Disputes concerning the ownership of property arise in a wide range of contexts and at different stages of life. This three hour seminar examines how equity responds to such disputes. It begins by identifying the core equitable principles that underpin the resolution of property disputes generally, before exploring their application across different factual settings. It considers disputes arising while all parties are alive, those involving the death of one or more parties, and disputes concerning the administration of a deceased person's estate. The seminar then turns to disputes arising out of personal relationships, including those involving married couples, parties to a marriage, and cohabiting partners. It highlights the extent to which equitable reasoning may differ depending on the legal and relational context in which the dispute arises.

Attention is also given to whether equity treats particular forms of personal property differently. Illustrative examples include disputes involving shares, joint bank accounts, safe deposit boxes held in joint names, and motor vehicles, raising issues of ownership, registration, and, in some jurisdictions, the distinction between legal owner and registered keeper. Other categories of personal property are also considered. The seminar concludes by asking whether equity operates with a universal toolkit for resolving property disputes, and, if so, identifying the tools it contains and the principles governing their use.

- The basic principles that equity should apply to all property disputes; Disputes among the living; Disputes with the dead;
- Disputes over the deceased's estate; Special rules and principles of equity for intervivos and testamentary trusts and gifts;
- Disputes among the married or the cohabiting, and with the married or cohabiting; Disputes involving land and personal property;
- Disputes involving special forms of personal property;
- Disputes involving land, shares, joint name bank accounts, safe-deposit boxes rented in joint names, the registered owner(s) or keeper(s) of a vehicle, and other forms of personal property.

(A12) (Live Presentation and Webinar) (RME Elective) Confidentiality: Its Creation and Actions for Breach

Date: 07 September 2026 (Monday) **Time:** 2:00pm–5:45pm **LNG:** English **Lvl:** Advanced
Speaker: Judith Sihombing, Legal Mentor, formerly Adjunct Associate Professor, Faculty of Law, Chinese University of Hong Kong
Lawyer/Trainee Solicitor/Foreign Lawyer / Other Professionals' Elective RME &CPD Points: 4 Fee: HK$2,400

- What does "confidentiality" cover? Who is bound by it? Examples include Solicitors; Doctors; Agents; Directors;
- Relevance of legislation such as anti-money laundering; Who is a fiduciary in relation to confidentiality?
- What are the elements binding the "fiduciary"? Confidentiality in contract – in tort – in equity; Are the remedies effective?

In 2026, with the update as The paramount duty of a solicitor as an officer of the court Who owns it? In modern terms of C21st is it property? What remedies are available on breach?

Remark: All eligible lawyers including partners, sole proprietor, consultants, assistant solicitors, foreign lawyers and trainees should take at least 3 Elective RME points each year. All solicitors can have 4 CPD points per seminar. However, we will give the priority to all eligible solicitors in obtaining elective RME points and CPD points.

(J2) (Live Presentation and Webinar) Property - Land and other types – 2025 (2026 version)

Date: 14 September 2026 (Monday) **Time:** 2:30pm–5:45pm **LNG:** English **Lvl:** Elementary

Speaker: Judith Sihombing, Legal Mentor, formerly Adjunct Associate Professor, Faculty of Law, Chinese University of Hong Kong

Lawyer CPD / ACCA CPD / SFC CPT / Insurers' CPD Pts: 3 points Fee: HK$1,800

a. traditional "property": HK's personal property including "chattels real":
b. developments of new "proprietary interests - including environmental -
c. previous contractual rights - virtual assets: personal interests now being converted to proprietary interests;
d. contractual interests now registrable; How far have, and will, the developments go

For an update of 2026, it focuses on title registration which affect land property much. This course is about

- pending the coming into force of the Land Titles Ordinance (as amended by the Registration of Titles and Land (Amendment) Ordinance 2025.
- the seminar will address the effect of title registration [as used overseas - eg the Torrens system] infeasibility and its effect
- the role of the register — and the role of the Court in administering the register under land titles

(Course highlights are subject to change by our speaker, Judith Sihombing based on marketing demand)

(A9) (Live Presentation and Webinar) (RME Elective) Wills and Probate: Common Local & Foreign Issues

Date:18 September 2026 (Friday) **Time:** 2pm–5:45pm **LNG:** Cantonese Delivery with English materials **Lvl:** Intermediate

Speaker: Samuel Li, Solicitor & Notary Public, Samuel Li & Co

Lawyer/Trainee Solicitor/Foreign Lawyer Other Professionals' Elective RME &CPD Points: 4 Fee: HK$2,400

Highlights: The objective of this seminar is to identify and so as to minimise the risks in the preparation and execution of wills.
"Litigation over disputed wills is sadly on the rise and costs can easily swallow up the whole of modest to moderate estates. Just as bad as the financial waste, are the irreconcilable rifts and misery that bitter family disputes can cause …" per Sir Andrew Morritt.
The Court of Appeal commented "In view of the importance that the Court attaches to a will which has been executed before a solicitor in this way, proper groundwork should be undertaken by the solicitor who is charged with this task …".
With the aim to minimize the associated risks, this seminar will focus on the classic *Banks v Goodfellow* criteria and "the Checklist"; the golden rule and the guidance of the Court of Appeal which are relevant particularly to the infirm and elderly testators; and there will be case studies of 3 decisions of the Court of Appeal. As people are more mobile, this seminar will include, in the foreign context the "international wills" and the notarisation of wills.

Part A – Wills & Probate

- What is a will?
- Propounding Wills

1) Execution of Wills
2) Testamentary Capacity
   - MMSE Test; Serial 7 Test; *Banks v Goodfellow* Test ; The Checklist; The Golden Rule; The Guidance of the Court of Appeal
3) Knowledge & Approval
4) Testamentary Freedom & Rationality
5) Instructions
   - 2nd rule of *Barry v Butlin* (1838) 2 Moo PC 480
6) Other Issues
   - Common brain impairment causes

- Case Studies
  - *Chiu Man Fu v Chiu Chung Kwan Ying* (CACV 40/2012, 18 June 2013)
  - *Re Estate of Au Kong Tim* ([2018] 2 HKLRD 864; CACV 177/2017 20 April 2018)
    {*Choy Po Chun v Au Wing Lun* (HCAP 7/2010, 4 July 2017)} ; *Re Estate of Wong Yin Sheung* [2019] HKCA 452
- Review of Wills; Storage of Wills

Part B – Foreign Elements

- International Wills; Notaries in continental jurisdictions; Notaries in Hong Kong; Authentication of Wills

Part C – Key Take Away ; Q&A

(S12) (Webinar only) Solicitors' Accounts Rules through the Nasirs® Hour-Glass Matrix℠

Date: 19 September 2026 (Saturday) **Time:** 9:30am–12:45pm **LNG:** English **Lvl:** Elementary

Speaker: Amirali Nasir, Nasirs

Lawyer/Trainee Solicitor/Foreign Lawyer / Other Professionals' Elective RME &CPD Points: 3.5 Fee: HK$2,100

Highlights: This course aims to introduce and highlight methods for timely compliance with the Solicitors' Accounts Rules with focus on common errors, mistakes and pitfalls that are encountered by firms in the application of the Solicitors' Accounts Rules on a daily basis. There are increased risks for firms from their responsibilities to the Public, The Law Society of Hong Kong and others under the Solicitors' Accounts Rules, Anti-Money Laundering ordinances, Practice Direction P and the Hong Kong Solicitors' Guide to Professional Conduct. Common requisitions raised by Auditors in the preparation of the annual Accountant's Report (under PN 840) and the Gross Fee Income will be explained with suggestions on changes to accounting systems on the handling and recording of client money. Practical demonstration as well as the use of the Nasirs® Hour-Glass Matrix℠ will enable delegates to easily and effortlessly assimilate and understand the Solicitors' Accounts Rules and apply them intuitively. Microsoft Excel will also be used to explain the application of the Solicitors' Accounts Rules and accounting entries.
This course is primarily designed for law firm staff dealing with solicitors' accounts on a day-to-day basis and those interested in the management of client money and compliance with the Solicitors' Accounts Rules. Contents:
Introduce the Nasirs® Hour-Glass Matrix℠

- Demonstration on the requirements of each rule and how they work in practice
- Procedures, common errors and pitfalls
- Meaning of Authorised signatory for vouchers, cheque books and online bankings
- Problems with electronic payments
- Solicitors/Accountants' duties and responsibility
- Preparing Gross Fee Income Report & Accountant's Report
- Obligation to keep proper books with examples on client account ledger
- Discussion on preparation of monthly Reconciliation Accounts
- Relevant sources of law and regulation:

1. Solicitors' Accounts Rules (Cap.159F) ; 2. Accountant's Report Rules (Cap.159A); 3. HKICPA Practice Note 840
4. Hong Kong Solicitors' Guide; 5. Practice Directions A(3); 6. Manual on Solicitor's Accounting; 7. FAQ on Solicitors' Accounts Rules

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(S4) (Webinar only) Trustees: Management Duties, Powers and Liability

Date: 16 September 2026 (Wednesday) **Time:** 9:30am–12:45pm **LNG:** English **Lvl:** Elementary
Speaker: Stephen Gallagher, Professor of Practice in Law, Associate Dean (Academic & Student Affairs), the Faculty of Law, The Chinese University of Hong Kong
Lawyer CPD / ACCA CPD / SFC CPT / Insurers' CPD Pts: 3 points **Fee: HK$1,800**

Highlights: This three-hour seminar will consider the management duties, powers and liability of trustees. The traditional management duties and consequent powers will be discussed and possible liability for failing to perform these duties, breaching any applicable duty of care and/or acting in excess of powers. The remedies available for such breaches will be considered. The seminar will conclude with discussion of defences that may be available to trustees. **Some of the topics considered in this seminar include:**

- The nature of trusteeship; Becoming a trustee (and perhaps not knowing that you are);
- The management duties of trustees; The powers of trustees; Acting outside trustee powers;
- The duty of care; Breach of duty of care; Remedies for breach of trustee's duties; Defences that may be available to trustees.

(S3) (Webinar only) Artificial Intelligence and Intellectual Property : The Good, The Bad and The Ugly

Date: 21 September 2026 (Monday) **Time:** 2:30pm–5:45pm **LNG:** English **Lvl:** Elementary
Speaker: Stephen Gallagher, Professor of Practice in Law, Associate Dean (Academic & Student Affairs), the Faculty of Law, The Chinese University of Hong Kong
Lawyer CPD / ACCA CPD / SFC CPT / Insurers' CPD Pts: 3 points Fee: HK$1,800

Highlights: This three-hour seminar will consider the intellectual property rights that may arise with the use of artificial intelligence and the effect artificial intelligence may have on intellectual property rights. Artificial intelligence has been around for some years, and many human authors have experimented with it to assist in the creation of their work. Until recently, this assistance had not caused many issues in intellectual property rights. However, with the boom in the popularity of generative artificial intelligence, and the ability to generate new works with very little human input, current intellectual property regimes have faced challenges. The seminar will begin by considering how artificial intelligence works and in particular how generative artificial intelligence (GenAI) works. The seminar will then briefly consider intellectual property as it applies in Hong Kong.
The seminar will then focus on court decisions from around the world which have considered attempts to identify machines as authors for copyright and inventors for patent registration purposes (including the controversial views of Birss L.J. in the UK Court of Appeal in ***Stephen Thaler v. Comptroller General of Patents, Trademarks and Designs*** [2021[EWCA Civ 1374. Alongside this consideration, is the right of humans who have used generative artificial intelligence to generate works and inventions with little human assistance to economically exploit these generations (including *Zarya of the Dawn* and the UK Supreme Court's decision in ***Thaler v Comptroller-General of Patents, Trade Marks and Designs*** [2023] UKSC). The seminar will then consider the issue of the infringement of author's rights, including copyright and moral rights by artificial intelligence and/or those developing, providing or using artificial intelligence to generate works based upon works created by human authors.
The seminar will conclude considering whether artificial intelligence should have legal personality and perhaps recognised author and/or inventor rights, and the future for artificial intelligence and intellectual property. **Some of the topics which will be covered in this course include:**

- What is artificial intelligence? What is generative artificial intelligence? What is intellectual property in Hong Kong?
- May artificial intelligence be an author for copyright purposes? May artificial intelligence be an inventor for patent purposes?
- Do human authors have rights which may be protected against exploitation by those who develop, provide or use artificial intelligence?
- Should artificial intelligence have legal personality? Should artificial intelligence be recognised as author and/or inventor and have consequent rights?
- The future for artificial intelligence and intellectual property.

(S5) (Live Presentation and Webinar) Recovering misappropriated property or its proceeds: the principles of following and tracing, and the liability of strangers to the trust

Date: 23 September 2026 (Wednesday) **Time:** 9:30am–12:45pm **LNG:** English **Lvl:** Elementary
Speaker: Stephen Gallagher, Professor of Practice in Law, Associate Dean (Academic & Student Affairs), the Faculty of Law, The Chinese University of Hong Kong
Lawyer CPD / ACCA CPD / SFC CPT / Insurers' CPD Pts: 3 points **Fee: HK$1,800**

Highlights: This 3-hour seminar will examine the development of the evidential rules of tracing at common law and in equity and the potential liability of strangers to the trust or other fiduciary relationships. The seminar will consider the process of tracing at common law and in equity and developments in this area since the case of *Foskett v McKeown* [2001] 1 AC 102, including the debate whether tracing is a process or remedy and whether the equitable rules of tracing should be available to trace assets misappropriated without breach of a fiduciary relationship. The consideration of tracing ends with the development of "Backwards Tracing" in *The Federal Republic of Brazil and another v Durant International Corporation and another (Jersey)* [2015] UKPC 35.
The second part of the seminar will consider the potential liabilities of those who are not officially appointed as trustee but whose actions may make them liable in equity for any loss their actions may have caused the trust whether as trustee de son tort, their knowing receipt of trust property or by their assistance in a breach of trust. The seminar will consider recent developments in recipient liability and accessory liability including the test for dishonesty in dishonest assistance, and the status of dishonest assisters and those in knowing receipt as trustees after the cases of *Peconic Industrial Develoment Ltd V Lau Kwok Fai* [2009] 2 HKLRD 537 and *Williams v Central Bank of Nigeria* [2014] UKSC 10.

- The processes of following and tracing at common law; The limitations of tracing at common law;
- The processes of following and tracing in equity; The requirements for tracing in equity; The 5 principles for tracing in equity;
- The 5 limits to tracing in equity; The benefits of tracing in equity;
- The development of "Backwards Tracing" in ***The Federal Republic of Brazil and another v Durant International Corporation and another (Jersey)*** [2015] UKPC 35; Potential liabilities of third parties who intermeddle with the trust;
- The equitable rules on recipient liability (knowing receipt) and accessory liability (knowing or dishonest assistance);
- Some of the problems for solicitors, bankers, accountants etc.; Some of the disputed issues in this area.

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(S15) (Live Presentation and Webinar) Key Employment Law Principles : Agreements, Restraints, Dismissal and Litigation

Date: 24 September 2026 (Thursday) **Time:** 2:30pm–5:45pm **LNG:** English **Lvl:** Elementary
Speaker: Michael Szeto, Partner, ONC Lawyer
Lawyer CPD / ACCA CPD / SFC CPT / Insurers' CPD Pts: 3 points **Fee: HK$1,800**

Highlights: This webinar offers a hands-on, comprehensive guide to the entire employment relationship—beginning with the entering into an employment relationship and extending through to dismissal and any subsequent legal proceedings, with a strong emphasis on the areas most prone to employer-employee conflict.
Attendees will learn best practices for drafting robust employment agreements at the outset, understand the critical statutory protections afforded by the Employment Ordinance, and explore methods for safeguarding company interests via well-drafted confidentiality clauses and post-termination restrictions.
The session also addresses the practical and legal hurdles commonly encountered upon termination, such as layoffs, severance pay, and bonus eligibility.
Attendees will also learn about the dispute resolution mechanisms for employment disputes, including settlement discussions, conciliation through the Labour Department, and proceedings before the Labour Tribunal or the Court of First Instance.

Session Content:

1. Concept of continuous employment
   - The defintion of continuous employment, and its importance
   - Fixed-term contract
   - Common structures and essential provisions in employment contracts
2. Fundamental statutory rights under the Employment Ordinance
   - Summary of major employee protections
   - Maternity leave
   - Sick leave entitlements and allowance
   - Annual leave
   - Statutory rest days
   - Notice period
   - Terminal payments: pay in lieu of notice, severance
   - Payment, long service payment, and end-of-year payments
3. Common Business Protection Measures: Confidentiality and Post-termination restrictions
   - Common restrictive covenants: Non-compete, non-solicit, and non-poaching clauses
   - Factors affecting the enforceability of restrictive covenants
   - Confidentiality clauses
   - Circumstances that may render a confidentiality clause unenforceable
   - Key drafting considerations
4. Common Termination Challenges
   - Termination via notice or payment in lieu
   - Summary dismissal for gross misconduct
   - Unreasonable dismissal: When is an employee protected against unreasonable protection and what are the valid reasons for dismissal?
   - Redundancy situations
   - Long service and severance payment
   - Interaction between discrimination legislation and termination
   - Bonus claims: discretionary vs contractual, whether it falls under the definition of wages under the Employment Ordinance
5. Navigating Employment Disputes
   - Early without-prejudice communications
   - Claims before the Labour Tribunal, and possible transfer to the District Court or the Court of First Instance
   - Appeal to the Court of First Instance

(M8) (Live Presentation and Webinar) (RME Elective) Oaths, Affidavits and Declarations: Local and Foreign Issues

Date: 28 September 2026 (Friday) **Time:** 2:00pm–5:45pm **LNG:** Cantonese Delivery with English materials **Lvl:** Intermediate
Speaker: Samuel Li, Solicitor & Notary Public, Samuel Li & Co
Lawyer/Trainee Solicitor/Foreign Lawyer / Other Professionals' Elective RME &CPD Points: 4 Fee: HK$2,400

Highlights: Affidavits are governed by Rules of High Court Order 41, and Practice Directions 10.1. Failure to comply will cause affidavit evidence inadmissible with a risk of losing clients' cases. Although leave can be applied from court for defective affidavits to be admitted into evidence, there is a risk of losing costs and wasting time. Statutory Declarations are under the strict rules of the Oaths and Declarations Ordinance Cap 11. The Failure to comply is fatal thereby posing a risk. The Speaker will mention the proper ways to avoid the risk of non compliance and will take the attendees through the court cases for the lessons to be learnt:

- Yiu Ping Fong & Another v Lam Lai Hing [1999] 1 HKLRD 793
- Top Flying Investment Limited v Open Mission Assets Limited [2006] 4 HKLRD 83
- Sean Eric McLean Ho Tung v Hillhead Limited (HCMP 4511/2002)

Untrue affidavits may commit the criminal offence of perjury, and if not the primary offence, the attempted perjury offence. And unattended legal practitioners may facilitate perjury and to alert them, court cases will be illustrated so as to avoid the risk:

- R v Low, HCMA1180/1996; HKSAR v. Kanjanapas Chong Kwong, Derek And Others, DCCC 298/2005

Untrue affidavits sworn by legal practitioners can lead to disciplinary proceedings:-

- Re a Solicitor

The Speaker will demonstrate how to administer an oath for an affidavit. The Speaker will also give practical tips on the subject.
1. Oaths 2. Affidavits & Solemn Affirmations in Writing; 3. Statutory Declarations 4. Use of English or Chinese
5. Relaxed Evidence in Hearings; 6. Person Entitled to Administer Oath etc Out of Court;
7. Proof of Cross Border Affidavits/Declarations; 8. Case Studies of Affidavits/ Statutory Declarations 9. Tips
10. Other Matters 11. US Acknowledgement 12. Offences 13. Real Life Experience During Covid-19
14. Speaker's demonstration 15. Conclusion; 16. Q & A

Remark: All eligible lawyers including partners, sole proprietor, consultants, assistant solicitors, foreign lawyers and trainees should take at least 3 Elective RME points each year. All solicitors can have 4 CPD points per seminar. However, we will give the priority to all eligible solicitors in obtaining elective RME points and CPD points.

(S13) (Live Presentation and Webinar) Legal Update on Children Protection, Cross-border Issues and Ancillary Relief

Date: 29 September 2026 (Tuesday) **Time:** 2:30pm–5:45pm **LNG:** English **Lvl:** Elementary
Speaker: Isabel Tam, Ted Chan and Gabriel Ho, Barristers-at-law, Denis Chang's Chambers
Lawyer CPD / ACCA CPD / SFC CPT / Insurers' CPD Pts: 3 points Fee: HK$1,800
Highlights: This three-hour seminar will give an overview of Mandatory Reporting of Child Abuse Ordinance (Cap. 650), and how issues of child abuse could impact ongoing disputes on the children's matter in matrimonial cases. It then addresses the jurisdictional issues which are increasingly common in divorce cases with cross-border elements, and explores the interplay with forum non conveniens principles and the reciprocal enforcement mechanisms. Finally, the session reviews key case law updates in ancillary relief, analyzing recent local and English authorities.

(O1) (Live Presentation and Webinar) Dispute Involving Digital Assets

Date: 02 October 2026 (Friday) **Time:** 2:30pm–5:45pm **Language:** English **Level:** Elementary
Speaker: Stephen Gallagher, Professor of Practice in Law, Associate Dean (Academic & Student Affairs), the Faculty of Law, The Chinese University of Hong Kong
Lawyer CPD / ACCA CPD / SFC CPT / Insurers' CPD Pts: 3 points Fee: HK$1,800
Highlights: This three-hour seminar will consider the disputes which have arisen and may arise with regard to digital property, and the actions and remedies that may be available to reconcile them. Disputes involving digital property have so far involved issues of contract, property, theft and fraud. The evidential processes, actions and remedies available to assist in reconciling these disputes and obtaining compensation for or recovery of missing digital property have been considered in the light of one important consideration- is digital property really property. Concerns have been raised that certain forms of digital property should be categorized as currencies or even non-property.
This seminar will consider these issues and disputes, and consider whether missing digital property should be identified as property and subject to the consequences of such identification. This will include the ability to use evidential processes such as tracing to identify substitutions, and orders such as injunctions to freeze digital property in the hands of any possessor. The seminar will consider whether equitable remedies such as the constructive trust may be suitable to effect recovery, or even if common law actions such as unjust enrichment may be developed to assist in the recovery of new forms of property. Some of the topics which will be covered in this course include:

- What disputes have arisen with regard to digital property? What are digital assets and digital property? Is digital property really property?
- Should cryptocurrencies be considered currencies? Are non-fungible tokens merely data? Can digital properties be traced?
- Can digital property be the subject matter of a constructive trust; Can digital property be recovered by an action for unjust enrichment?

(S8) (Webinar only) Shareholders' rights : limitation periods in the Supreme Court

Date: 03 October 2026 (Saturday) **Time:** 9:45am–1pm **LNG:** English **Lvl:** Elementary
Speaker: Dr Rita Cheung, MCAL Solicitors LLP
Lawyer CPD / ACCA CPD / SFC CPT / Insurers' CPD Pts: 3 points Fee: HK$1,800
Highlight: The principal weapons available to disgruntled minority shareholders are derivative actions, and the twin statutory minority remedies of unfair prejudice and just and equitable winding up.
This seminar examines the Supreme Court decision in THG plc v Zedra Trust Co (Jersey) Ltd [2026] UKSC 6, where the Supreme Court authoritatively confirmed the longstanding assumption that no statutory limitation period applies to unfair prejudice petitions.
The common law derivative actions

- fraud: Wang Pengying [2021] HKCA 100 (on ratification); wrongdoer control: Zhang [2021] HKCA 81 (on companies in liquidation)
- 'multiple' derivative actions: a weapon to challenge wrongs done to a 'subsidiary'.

The statutory derivative action

- court leave: 'serious question' and 'company's interest'

Unfair prejudice petitions

- Limitation periods; The 'clean hands' defence; Unfair prejudice vs derivative actions

(O2) (Webinar only) (RME Elective) Digital Technology and Crime: Minimizing Risks from Cybercrime, AI-assisted Crime and Cryptocrime

Date: 07 October 2026 (Wednesday) **Time:** 9:30am–12:45pm **LNG:** English **Lvl:** Intermediate
Speaker: Stephen Gallagher, Professor of Practice in Law, Associate Dean (Academic & Student Affairs), the Faculty of Law, The Chinese University of Hong Kong
Lawyer/Trainee Solicitor/Foreign Lawyer / Other Professionals' Elective RME &CPD Points: TBC Fee: HK$2,100
Highlights: Cybercrime, artificial intelligence and digital assets are reshaping the risk landscape for legal practice. Solicitors are increasingly targeted by sophisticated cyberattacks, AI-enabled frauds, deepfake impersonation schemes, business email compromise attacks, ransomware incidents and cryptocurrency-related scams. At the same time, clients expect lawyers to understand the legal, regulatory and risk management implications of emerging technologies. This three-hour seminar will examine the evolving threats posed by cybercrime, AI-assisted crime and cryptocrime, with a particular focus on the risks facing Hong Kong law firms and their clients. Participants will explore how criminals are leveraging artificial intelligence to enhance phishing, social engineering, identity fraud, document forgery and financial scams, as well as how cryptocurrencies and other digital assets are being used to facilitate fraud, money laundering and asset concealment.
The seminar will address key regulatory, professional conduct and risk management issues, including cybersecurity obligations, data breach response, client due diligence, anti-money laundering compliance, management of digital asset risks, and the responsible use of AI within legal practice. Through case studies drawn from recent local and international incidents, participants will learn how to identify warning signs, implement effective controls and develop practical strategies to reduce exposure to technology-enabled crime.
By the end of the seminar, participants will be better equipped to assess emerging digital risks, protect client information and assets, strengthen firm-wide resilience, and respond effectively when technology-related criminal activity is suspected or discovered. **Topics covered include:**

- Current cybercrime trends affecting law firms and professional service providers
- AI-assisted crime, deepfakes, synthetic identities and business fraud
- Cryptocurrencies, digital assets and emerging forms of financial crime; Cybersecurity governance and incident response
- Anti-money laundering and client due diligence challenges; Professional responsibility and risk management considerations for solicitors
- Practical measures to reduce legal, financial and reputational exposure; Future developments in digital technology and criminal activity

Remark: All eligible lawyers including partners, sole proprietor, consultants, assistant solicitors, foreign lawyers and trainees should take at least 3 Elective RME points each year. All solicitors can have 3.5 CPD points per seminar. However, we will give the priority to all eligible solicitors in obtaining elective RME points and CPD points.

(O3) (Live Presentation and Webinar) Adverse Possession Squatter's Rights and Encroaching on Other's Land in Hong Kong

Date: 09 October 2026 (Friday) **Time:** 2:30pm–5:45pm **LNG:** English **Lvl:** Elementary
Speaker: Stephen Gallagher, Professor of Practice in Law, Associate Dean (Academic & Student Affairs), the Faculty of Law, The Chinese University of Hong Kong
Lawyer CPD / ACCA CPD / SFC CPT / Insurers' CPD Pts: 3 points Fee: HK$1,800

Highlights: This three-hour course will consider the doctrine of adverse possession and its application in Hong Kong. The seminar will consider why the doctrine of adverse possession continues to be recognised in Hong Kong, how the doctrine works and what a successful defence or claim based upon adverse possession will achieve.
The seminar will consider the requirements to establish adverse possession including factual possession, and the evidence which will establish the intention to possess. The seminar will consider the problems with acknowledging the paper title owner's rights in writing and the willingness to pay rent. The seminar will consider the limitation period as against the government and leaseholders, and the respective rights that a successful party will receive against the paper title holder and others. The seminar will consider the limitations of the doctrine as asserted by one co-owner against their fellow co-owners, and particular issues with the doctrine as against land held by a Chinese customary trust (t'so and the t'ong).
The seminar will consider the associated doctrine of encroachment including how it works, what is required to establish encroachment and what the successful party will receive by way of the doctrine. The seminar will conclude by considering the appropriate orders that successful parties will be entitled to. Some of the topics which will be covered in this course include:

- The origins of the doctrine; The elements of factual possession and intent to possess
- Compelling evidence of factual possession (Chang Shun Tak v Leung Sun Fat HCA 13809/1997);
- Does willingness to pay rent evidence an intent to possess?
- Comparing the approach of J.A. Pye (Oxford) Ltd v. Graham [2002] UKHL 30, as against Wong Tak Yue v Kung Kwok Wai [1998] 1 HKLRD 241, CFA
- Can possession be adverse against co-owners? (Cheung Lai Mui v Cheung Wai Shing [2021] HKCFA 19)
- Accumulation of time for relevant limitation periods; The doctrine of encroachment and its application in Hong Kong
- Appropriate orders in successful cases Lam Sai Man v Minloy Limited [2022] HKCA 37.

(O8) (Webinar only) (RME Elective) Money Laundering

Date: 10 October 2026 (Saturday) **Time:** 9:45am – 1pm **LNG:** English **Lvl:** Advanced
Speaker: **Dr Rita Cheung,** MCAL Solicitors LLP
Lawyer/Trainee Solicitor/Foreign Lawyer Other Professionals' Elective RME &CPD Points: 3.5 Fee: HK$2,100
Highlight : This seminar discusses the recent developments of the anti-money laundering regime.
1 Proving the 'criminal' source of property in money laundering prosecutions
2 The mental element

- Should the court take into account a defendant's 'beliefs, thoughts, and intention'?
- HKSAR v Pang Hung Fai (2014) 17 HKCFAR 778; HKSAR v Harjani Haresh Murlidhar (2019) 22 HKCFAR 446

3 Reform: customer due diligence

- Reform (1): financial institutions' (金融機構)
- Reform (2): four sectors of designated non-financial business and professions (指定非金融業人士): solicitors, accountants, estate agents, and trust or company service providers
- Reform (3): 2023 witnesses a licensing regime for virtual asset service providers (Part 5B), together with a two-tier registration regime for dealers in precious metals (Part 5C).

4 Solicitors' role in combating money laundering

- Practice Direction P (revised 2023); HKSAR v Wu Wing Kit [2017] HKDC 1064

5 Informal freezing of dirty money: Tam Sze Leung v Commissioner of Police [2024] HKCFA 8.
Remark: All eligible lawyers including partners, sole proprietor, consultants, assistant solicitors, foreign lawyers and trainees should take at least 3 Elective RME points each year. All solicitors can have 3.5 CPD points per seminar. However, we will give the priority to all eligible solicitors in obtaining elective RME points and CPD points.

(O16) Advanced Mandarin Workshop for lawyers and other professionals - Corporate Finance and Banking in China

Date:13 October 2026 (Tuesday) **Time:** 9:30am–5:30pm (Lunch break from 1:20pm-2:30pm) **LNG:** Mandarin
Trainer: Cheung Wai Ying, Senior Mandarin Trainer, Central Learning Holdings Limited **Lvl:** Intermediate
Lawyer CPD /ACCA CPD / SFC CPT / Insurers' CPD Pts: 7.5 points Fee: HK$3,750
Highlight: This is an advanced course providing Mandarin Training to professionals (including lawyers, accountants and bankers etc). After an attendee has completed the course, such person should be able to discuss the terms of a listing prospectus in Mandarin with his/her PRC clients. The attendees should be able to pronounce the major terms of a typical listing prospectus and banking documents in Mandarin. This is a workshop type where each attendee will pay active role / interactive role to solve their daily difficulties and problem facilitating by our trainer. New syllabus will be based on the textbook "Putonghua for Legal Profession" written by 沈沂律師. The content includes 貸款與抵押、房地產交易、集資上市和商業事務等 and other work-related material carried by the attendee. Morning session focus on Corporate Finance and afternoon session emphasis on Banking and Investment Business.

- Introduction the key words used in a listing prospectus such as: A) A summary of a typical prospectus, risk factors and corporate information; B) Key aspects of an industry overview / general overview of the company; C) Management; D) Key terms of financial information; E) Future plan and use of proceed; F) Expected timetable; G) Risk factors and corporate information;
- Continuing with the practice in the Mandarin by means of dialogue from texts and a role-play.
- The content includes 貸款與抵押、房地產交易、集資上市和商業事務等; Will go through a few ISDA derivative documents in Mandarin;
- Concentrating on more practices for the individual attendee; Corporate Finance Role Play; Intensive Workshop; Discussion and Q & A

(M6) (Webinar only) Unjust Enrichment: does it exist and if so, what is it, where is it going and can we humanely dispose of it?

Date: 14 October 2026 (Wednesday) **Time:** 9:30am–12:45pm **LNG:** English **Lvl:** Elementary
Speaker: **Stephen Gallagher,** Professor of Practice in Law, Associate Dean (Academic & Student Affairs), the Faculty of Law, The Chinese University of Hong Kong
Lawyer CPD / ACCA CPD / SFC CPT / Insurers' CPD Pts: 3 points **Fee: HK$1,800**

Highlights: This three-hour seminar will consider what has been hailed as the newest form of standalone action at common law- unjust enrichment. The seminar will consider the history of the development of unjust enrichment, the only form of action at common law created by academics rather than judges, and its development. The seminar will consider unjust enrichment's part in the search for a unified common law of restitution. The seminar will then consider the development of unjust enrichment and its defence, the change of position, in Hong Kong and England. The seminar will consider the links between unjust enrichment and equity and the possible development of the action to deal with more than just money claims. In conclusion we will consider whether unjust enrichment does exist or whether it is just another name for money had and received, and whether we can humanely dispose of the last vestige of the "cult of restitution."

- What is unjust enrichment? Where did it come from? A brief history of unjust enrichment; The common money counts;
- Mansfield's fallacy and the "Glorious uncertainty of the law"; Lord Goff's academic pursuit of a law of restitution; Gambling solicitors and a firm's lost funds; Unjust enrichment and the change of position defence; The modern action for unjust enrichment in Hong Kong;
- The limits of actions for unjust enrichment; Arguments for tracing more than money; Could we live without unjust enrichment?

(O5) (Live Presentation and Webinar) The Law of Charities in Hong Kong and Possible Reform

Date: 16 October 2026 (Friday) **Time:** 2:30pm–5:45pm **LNG:** English **Lvl:** Elementary
Speaker: Stephen Gallagher, Professor of Practice in Law, Associate Dean (Academic & Student Affairs), the Faculty of Law, The Chinese University of Hong Kong
Lawyer CPD / ACCA CPD / SFC CPT / Insurers' CPD Pts: 3 points **Fee: HK$1,800**

Highlights: This 3-hour seminar will provide an introduction to the existing law of charitable trusts in Hong Kong and the legislative changes to this area of the law that were proposed in 2013. The seminar will begin with consideration of the existing law of charitable trusts in Hong Kong, including the benefits of charitable status for a trust and the requirements for charitable status. The seminar will then consider the problems with the modern law of charitable trusts in Hong Kong as identified in the Law Reform Commission's public consultation report published in 2013 and the recommendations on proposed legislative changes.

- The beneficiary principle and the problem with purpose trusts; The benefits of charitable status for trusts; Problems with charitable trusts;
- The definition of charity; Categories of charitable purpose; The public benefit requirement;
- The poor relative and poor employee exceptions; Mixed private and public purposes; Proposed changes to the oversight of charitable trusts;
- The potential civil and criminal liabilities of trustees of charitable trusts; A brief consideration of the doctrine of cy-près.

(O14) (Webinar only) Medical Negligence : Personal Injuries

Date: 17 October 2026 (Saturday) **Time:** 09:45am–1:00pm **LNG:** English **Lvl:** Elementary
Speaker: **Dr Rita Cheung,** MCAL Solicitors LLP & **Venus Wong,** Or &Partners
Lawyer CPD / ACCA CPD / SFC CPT / Insurers' CPD Pts: 3 points **Fee: HK$1,800**

Highlight : This seminar discusses important and controversial issues raised by key cases that shape the development of medical law.

1 Narrowing the scope of doctors' duty?

- McCulloch v Forth Valley [2023] UKSC 26 (first risk disclosure case after Montgomery)
- Montgomery v Lanarkshire Health Board [2015] UKSC 11, [2015] AC 1430 (duty to disclose (1) material risks in recommended treatment and (2) any reasonable alternative)
- Paul v Royal Wolverhampton NHS Trust [2024] UKSC 1 (on secondary victims and mental injury)

2 Medical Council: a weapon for use against doctors?

- Dr Chu Kin Wah v The Medical Council of Hong Kong [2026] HKCA 31
- Dr Chung Ho Yin Andrews v The Medical Council of Hong Kong [2024] 2 HKLRD 270, [2024] HKCA 196 (Dr Sherlock Holmes)
- Leung Kai Chun v Hospital Authority [2024] HKCFI 691, [2024] 2 HKLRD 375 (on expert evidence)
- Chan Siu Yim v. Dr Cheung Sheung Kin also known as Dr Samuel Kinneth Cheung (DCPI 2358/2013) (applying the Montgomery test)
- Dr Leung Ka Lau v The Medical Council of Hong Kong [2026] HKCFA 12 (on medical advertising - whether the Medical Council's Code of Professional Conduct prohibits doctors from advertising discounted fees for their medical services.)

3 Pleadings, statement of damages in personal injuries claim

(O15) (Live Presentation and Webinar) Seepage Litigation

Date: 20 October 2026 (Tuesday) **Time:** 2:30pm–5:45pm **LNG:** Cantonese delivery with Chinese materials **Lvl:** Elementary
Speaker: **Herman Hui,** Solicitor, Hui & Co., Herman H M; **Ir Dr Roger So,** Barrister-at-Law, **Dick Li,** Registered Professional Surveyor
Lawyer CPD / HKIE CPD /PMSA CPD / SFC CPT / Insurers' CPD Pts: 3 **Fee: HK$1,800**

(A) Taking instructions and estimation of expenses by Mr Herman Hui (from 2:30-3:15 / 45 mins)
1. Interviewing your Client, identifying potential opponents, the upstairs, the downstairs, the IO or the manager;
2. The past events, when did it begin? limitation issue?
3. The past and present condition of the premises, evidence on liabilities, photo albums, narrative description of the photographs;
4. Injunctive reliefs; 5. Damages headings; 6. Evidence; 7. Shopping list Heads of legal costs and related expenses.

(B) Legal Procedure by Ir Dr Roger So (from 3:15-4:15 1 hour)
1. Where to begin; 2. Letter before Action; 3. The Pleadings 4. The Discoveries; 5. The Expert Directions
6. The Mediation and Sanction Offers; 7. The CMS; 8. Preparation for Trial and the Trial

(C) Expert Evidence by Sr Dick Li (from 4:30-5:30 1 hour)
1. The Expert Qualification; 2. The Preparation of the report – Inspection and Tests at site 3. The Expert Directions;
4. Conflict of Interest and Overriding Duties to Court

(D) Questions & Group Discussion (15 mins)

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(O6) (Live Presentation and Webinar) Illegality, Equity and Trust in Hong Kong? Clean Hands, ex turpia causa, reliance, locus poenitentiae, range of factors or what? (2026 version focus on underground banking)

Date: 21 October 2026 (Wednesday) **Time:** 9:30am–12:45pm **Language:** English **Level:** Elementary
Speaker: **Stephen Gallagher,** Professor of Practice in Law, Associate Dean (Academic & Student Affairs), the Faculty of Law, The Chinese University of Hong Kong
Lawyer CPD / ACCA CPD / SFC CPT / Insurers' CPD Pts: 3 points **Fee: HK$1,800**

Highlights: This three hour CPD course explores the development of the doctrine of illegality in Hong Kong law and its interaction with unjust enrichment, with a particular focus on underground banking (地下錢莊) and related transactions. Underground banks- informal lending and currency exchange practices operating outside the regulated financial system- have long presented challenges for courts seeking to balance public policy concerns with equitable remedies. These challenges are especially pronounced when the transactions occur in Mainland China but are litigated in Hong Kong. The course begins with a historical overview of the doctrine of illegality, tracing its common law origins and examining its evolution through leading Hong Kong and English cases. Participants will consider how courts have traditionally barred recovery in contracts tainted by illegality, while also reviewing modern approaches that emphasize proportionality and fairness.
The discussion then turns to unjust enrichment as a remedial framework. Solicitors will analyze how restitutionary claims have been advanced in underground banking disputes, where parties often seek recovery despite the presence of illegality. Case studies will highlight the tension between deterring unlawful conduct and preventing unjust windfalls.
The centerpiece of the program is the Court of Final Appeal's landmark judgment in Wong Chi Hung v. Lo Wing Pun & Mai Jieping Trading as Fai Tat RMB Exchange [2026] HKCFA 14. This decision examines the limits of illegality in restitutionary claims and clarifies when unjust enrichment may be available despite unlawful transactions. Importantly, the CFA confirmed that the applicable test for illegality is the "range of factors" approach established by the UK Supreme Court in Patel v. Mirza [2016] UKSC 42.
The seminar concludes by considering the CFA's guidance on proportionality, the role of public policy, and the protection of vulnerable parties in underground banking arrangements. Outline:

- Understanding Underground Banks (地下錢莊): What they are, how they operate, and why they present legal and regulatory challenges.
- The Development of the Doctrine of Illegality in Hong Kong: Tracing its evolution from common law foundations to modern applications.
- Limits on the Range of Factors Test: Analysis of *Arrow ECS Norway AS v M Yang Trading Ltd* [2018] HKCFI 975 and its restriction of the test in Hong Kong.
- Application of the Range of Factors Test: Examination of *Monat v All person(s) in occupation of part of the remaining portion of Lot No 591 in Mui Wo DD 4 No 16 Ma Po Tsuen, Mui Wo* [2023] HKCA 479.
- The Development of the Unjust Enrichment Doctrine: How restitutionary principles have evolved in Hong Kong law.Key Factors for Successful Unjust Enrichment Claims: Identifying the circumstances under which claims are most likely to succeed in Hong Kong.
- Practical Implications of the CFA's Ruling: Assessing how *Wong Chi Hung v Lo Wing Pun & Mai Jieping Trading as Fai Tat RMB Exchange* [2026] HKCFA 14 affects legal advice for clients involved in informal financial transactions.

(A11) (Live Presentation and Webinar) Building Fire Safety and Legal Responsibility

Date:22 October 2026 (Thursday) **Time:** 2:30pm–5:45pm **LNG: Cantonese delivery with Chinese materials** **Lvl:** Elementary
Speaker: Herman Hui, Solicitor, Hui & Co., Herman H M; **Ir Dr Roger So,** Barrister-at-Law, **Dick Li,** Registered Professional Surveyor
Lawyer CPD / PMSA CPD / SFC CPT / Insurers' CPD Pts: 3 points **Fee: HK$1,800**

(i) Relevant statutory codes on Building Fire Safety and practical aspects.
(ii) How to respond to a notice or order from FSD/BA in relation to an alleged breach of statutory provisions of Building Fire Safety.
(iii) Liability and defences in relation to Building Fire Safety, with review of selected legal cases.

PMSA 以上講座(A1)及(A11)屬物業管理業監管局「持續專業發展計劃」下「核心」內範疇有關「法例規管」的「正式」學習活動，完成參與講座的物管人牌照 持有人多可獲取三小時的認可參與時數。

(S9) (Webinar only) Drafting Shareholder Agreements

Date: 30 October 2026 (Saturday) **Time:** 9:45am–1pm **LNG:** English **Lvl:** Elementary
Speaker: **Dr Rita Cheung,** MCAL Solicitors LLP
Lawyer CPD / ACCA CPD / SFC CPT / Insurers' CPD Pts: 3 points **Fee: HK$1,800**

Highlight: This seminar provides practical exercises in drafting shareholders' agreements. Contracting out of the companies legislation is a controversial subject, with inventive lawyers showing great ingenuity to insert minority shareholder provisions in shareholder agreements.
This seminar examines shareholder agreement to arbitrate. How far a properly drafted dispute resolution clause can protect a minority shareholder.
1 Disputes: shareholder agreement to arbitrate
Can a shareholder, by contract, contract out his statutory rights to petition to the court for unfair prejudice or winding up?
Should a line be drawn between a shareholder's petition (of a solvent company) and a creditor's petition (on insolvency ground)?

- Fulham Football Club (1987) Ltd v Richards [2011] EWCA Civ 855 (on unfair prejudice petitions)
- FamilyMart v Ting Chuen [2023] UKPC 33 (on just and equitable winding up)
- Sian Participation Corp v Halimeda International Ltd [2024] UKPC 16 (on creditor winding up).

2 Board representation
3 Veto rights
4 Share transfers terms: tag-along, drag-along

(Au5) (Live Presentation and Webinar) A Practical Analysis of Convertible Securities for M&A Lawyers

Date: 30 October 2026 (Friday) **Time:** 2:30pm–5:45pm **LNG:** English **Lvl:** Intermediate
Speaker: **David Yun,** Senior Counsel, Simpson Thacher & Bartlett
Lawyer CPD Points: ACCA CPD / SFC CPT / Insurers" CPD Pts: 3 Fee: HK$1,800
Highlight: To provide a comprehensive introduction to the process for a convertible securities transaction and the contents of convertible bond documentation, covering a wide spectrum from the basics to the fundamentals of the commercial requirements, the legal implications and the practical applications.

- Introduction; Basic Principles; Terminology; Parties to the Transaction; Process of the Transaction
- Key Structures; Key Documentation; Key Issues for Consideration
- Contents of the Key Documentation; Q&A

(O9) (Webinar only) Inspection Rights

Date: 31 October 2026 (Saturday) **Time:** 9:45am–1pm **LNG:** English **Lvl:** Elementary
Speaker: **Dr Rita Cheung,** MCAL Solicitors LLP
Lawyer CPD / ACCA CPD / SFC CPT / Insurers' CPD Pts: 3 points Fee: HK$1,800
Highlight:The statutory inspection right is developing as a powerful weapon at the disposal of minority shareholders to seek inspection of company documents. This seminar discusses the practical use of this weapon in resolving company disputes. How far this weapon can be used to bring the feuding shareholders back to the negotiation table.

1 Shareholder inspection rights

- A 'case for investigation' as a proper purpose
- *Fung Chuen v Sandmartin International Holdings Ltd* [2020] HKCA 146
- *Wong Kar Gee Mimi v Hung Kin Sang Raymond* [2011] 5 HKLRD 241

Resisting inspection:

- *Re LehmanBrown Ltd* [2011] 5 HKLRD 668 (CA) (unsuccessful application: good faith and proper purpose are two different tests)
- *Sea Heritage Holdings Ltd v Nice Wave International Ltd* [2023] HKCFI 3076 (successful application)
- Wong Sau Man Samuel v Wong Kan Po Wilson [2017] 4 HKLRD 542 (a case of fishing expedition)
- Yang Yu v HK Huanhai Trade Co Ltd [2024] HKCFI 1495 Cf Kim Seung Young v Weina HongKong Co Ltd [2024] HKCFI 2500.

2 Director inspection rights

- *Tsai Shao Chung v Asia Television Ltd* [2012] 4 HKLRD 52, [2012] 6 HKC 22 (CA).
- *Re Fook Lam Moon Restaurant Ltd* [2011] 1 HKLRD 964
- *Yung Siu Wa v Raffles Family Office Ltd* [2018] HKCFI 2620, [2018] 5 HKLRD 816

3 Shareholder vs director inspection rights

Re Jinhui International Enterprise Ltd (勁輝國際企業有限公司) [2022] HKCFI 926, [2022] HKLRD 620

(J1) (Webinar only) (RME Elective) Money Laundering for the Beginners

Date: 08 January 2027 (Friday) **Time:** 2:30pm–5:45pm **LNG:** English **Lvl:** Intermediate
Speaker: Stephen Gallagher, Professor of Practice in Law, Associate Dean (Academic & Student Affairs), the Faculty of Law, The Chinese University of Hong Kong
Lawyer/Trainee Solicitor/Foreign Lawyer / Other Professionals' Elective RME &CPD Points: TBC Fee: HK$2,100
Highlights: In recent international reports on financial crime and combatting money laundering Hong Kong has been labelled a centre for money laundering. This 1.5-hour seminar will provide an introduction to the criminalising of money laundering internationally and in Hong Kong. The origins of the offence of money laundering will be considered and the measures that have been introduced to combat money laundering and terrorist funding. Money laundering is a relatively recent criminal offence in Hong Kong and the criticism of anti-money laundering (AML) and counter-terrorist funding (CTF also known as anti-terrorist funding (ATF)) practices in Hong Kong will be discussed. The seminar will conclude with discussion of possible changes to anti-money laundering legislation and regulation in Hong Kong. **Some of the topics which will be covered in this course include:**

- What is money laundering? Where did the offence originate and why?
- International and domestic measures intended to combat money laundering;
- High profile cases of money laundering involving persons and institutions linked to Hong Kong
- Recent decisions of the courts of Hong Kong; The problems with AML and CTF in Hong Kong
- Possible changes to AML and CTF in Hong Kong; Points to Remember when Drafting Prompts for Lawyers
- Example Prompts for Lawyers; Updates concerning possible risks facing towards legal practical work

Remark: All eligible lawyers including partners, sole proprietor, consultants, assistant solicitors, foreign lawyers and trainees should take at least 3 Elective RME points each year. All solicitors can have 3.5 CPD points per seminar. However, we will give the priority to all eligible solicitors in obtaining elective RME points and CPD points.

(Ju-1) (Live Presentation and Webinar) Implication and how to deal with "Building Orders & UBWs" *(Returns With Acclaim)*

Date: 29 June 2027 (Tuesday) **Time:** 2:30pm–5:45pm **LNG:** Cantonese delivery with Chinese materials **Lvl:** Elementary
Speaker: Herman Hui, Solicitor, Hui & Co., Herman H M; **Ir Dr Roger So,** Barrister-at-Law, **Dick Li,** Registered Professional Surveyor
Lawyer CPD / HKIE CPD/ PMSA CPD / SFC CPT / Insurers' CPD Pts: 3 points Fee: HK$1,800

(A) What should a person do when receiving a Building Order? by Mr Herman Hui
(B) How to identify common building defeats and UBWs? by Dick Li
(C) Consequences of non-compliance w a Building Order and how to appeal against it by Ir Dr Roger So
(D) Questions & Group Discussion (15 mins)

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