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Mr. C. M. Chan re-elected as President of The Law Society of Hong Kong

The Council of The Law Society of Hong Kong re-elected Mr. C. M. Chan as President and Mr. Amirali B. Nasir, Mr. Roden M.L. Tong and Mr. Christopher K.K. Yu as Vice-Presidents for the 2023/24 term at its meeting on 23 May 2023.

The list of Council members for the 2023/24 term is as follows:

List of Council Members (2023/24)

President

C. M. Chan

Vice-Presidents

Amirali B. Nasir Roden M.L. Tong Christopher K.K. Yu

Council Members

Melissa K. Pang Calvin K. Cheng Tom K.M. Fu Justin H.Y. Yuen Pak Sun Hau Vincent S.K. Tso Neville C.H. Cheng Hoi Yee Chui Careen H.Y. Wong Jimmy K.H. Chan Ronald K.N. Sum Simon J. McConnell Hin Han Shum Ching Cheng Constance H.M. Choy Tong Zhao

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C. M. Chan, President of The Law Society of Hong Kong

Mr. C. M. Chan is qualified to practise as a solicitor in Hong Kong (1997) and England and Wales (2002). He is also a Civil Celebrant.

Mr. Chan is a Tax & Trust Lawyer and he also practises general commercial work. Mr. Chan has extensive experience in advising high net-worth clients and corporations in relation to their wealth and asset management, trust, succession, tax planning, compliance and charitable matters. He was an in-house legal adviser to family offices representing prominent families in Hong Kong. Mr. Chan is now a General Counsel of an investment company and a consultant of a Hong Kong law firm and a London firm.

Education

- University of East London, LLB
- London School of Economics and Political Science, LLM
- University of Oxford, MBA
- Harvard University, MPA

Affiliations with The Law Society of Hong Kong

- President (2021-Now)
- Vice-President (2018-2020)
- Council Member (2016 Now)

Professional Affiliations with International Legal Organisations

- EXCO Member, LAWASIA (2020-Now)
- Committee Member, International Bar Association Corporate Social Responsibility Committee (2007-2012)

Public Services

- Member, Board of Review (Inland Revenue) (2013 2018)
- Member, Committee on Provision of Space in the Legal Hub (2016 2020)
- Member, Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (HKICPA) Disciplinary Panel (2016-Now)
- Member, Land Survey Disciplinary Board Panel (2021 Now)
- Member, the Law Reform Commission of Hong Kong (2021 Now)
- Member, Trade and Industry Advisory Board (2022 Now)
- Member, Advisory Body on Outcome Related Fee Structures for Arbitration (2023)
- Member, Independent Police Complaints Council (2023 Now)
- Member, Hong Kong Football Association Legal Committee (2011 Now)
- Member, Social Workers Registration Board Qualifications Assessment Panel (2014 Now)
- Member, The Advisory Committee of the Social Welfare Department Special Needs Trust (2019 - Now)

Academic and Research Affiliations

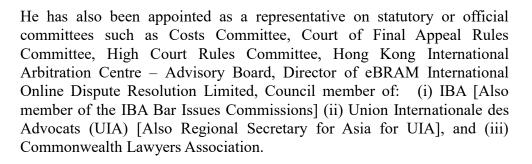
- Head of the Centre for the Rule of Law of Hong Kong Policy Research Institute (2016 Now)
- External Examiner, Department of Professional Legal Education at The University of Hong Kong
- External Examiner, School of Law at City University of Hong Kong
- Adjunct Professor, Department of Accountancy, Hang Seng University of Hong Kong



Amirali B. Nasir, MH, JP, Vice-President of The Law Society of Hong Kong

Mr. Amirali B. Nasir has been involved in various Law Society committees since about 1995. He first joined the Law Society Council in 2005 and has been vice-president since 2016.

He presently chairs the International Legal Affairs Committee, InnoTech Committee, Constitutional Affairs and Human Rights Committee, Guide Working Party, Working Party on Solicitors' Practice Rules, Consents Committee, Solicitors' Accounts Rules Committee, Working Party on Taxation in Civil Proceedings, Working Party on Use of IT in Judicial Process, Guidance Sub-committee to Review Rule 5AA of the Solicitors' Practice Rules, Islamic Finance Working Party, Working Party on the Law Society IT Systems, Working Party on Dreamvar's Case, PIS Panel Solicitors Selection Board and Hong Kong Solicitors Indemnity Fund Limited.



Mr. Nasir is the founder of Nasirs[®] Solicitors. His main areas of practice are litigation, company, commercial, Islamic finance, property, trusts and notarial services.

Mr. Nasir was educated in, and first qualified as a solicitor, in England and Wales and still maintains his practising certificate. He was also admitted as a solicitor at the Dubai International Financial Centre. He moved to Hong Kong and first practised as a solicitor at a prominent local firm of solicitors after which he established his own firm of AB Nasir & Co. later renamed Nasirs[®]. In addition to his practise as a solicitor in Hong Kong, he is enrolled as a Notary Public by separate faculties granted in Hong Kong and in England and Wales respectively. Mr. Nasir is also a trustee (Past Chairman and office bearer) of the Incorporated Trustees of the Islamic Community Fund of Hong Kong, an umbrella organisation and a charitable trust serving the local community in all aspects of life. He was previously a member of the Equal Opportunities Commission and on the Committee on the Promotion of Racial Harmony.



Roden M.L. Tong, Vice-President of The Law Society of Hong Kong

Mr. Roden Tong is the Chief Executive of Berkley Insurance Company. He leads the Hong Kong operations of Berkley Insurance Asia (a Berkley Company) with over 15 years' experience in Financial Lines and Specialty Claims across the Asia region. He has extensive experience and expertise in handling complex Financial Lines claim matters, including Lehman related investment mis-selling issues, US securities class actions against Hong Kong and PRC companies, US SEC investigations and major fidelity claims.

Mr. Tong was in private practice specialising in litigation and dispute resolution before moving to in-house role in 2007. His clients include multiinternational clients, local listed and private companies, banks and financial institutions. Mr. Tong was admitted in Hong Kong.

Professional Affiliations with The Law Society of Hong Kong

- Vice-President
- Member, Standing Committee on Compliance
- Chairman, Standing Committee on External Affairs
- Member, Standing Committee on Member Services
- Member, Standing Committee on Policy & Resources
- Member, Diversity and Inclusion Committee
- Chairman, Greater China Legal Affairs Committee
- Member, Honours Committee
- Member, In-House Lawyers Committee
- Member, Insurance Law Committee
- Member, Legal "Fact Check" Committee
- Chairman, Legal Talent Recruitment Scheme (Trainee Solicitors) Committee
- Member, Professional Indemnity Scheme Panel Solicitors Selection Board
- Member, Property Committee
- Chairman, Recreation and Sports Committee
- Member, 5th Belt and Road Conference Organising Committee
- Advisor, Cross Strait Four Regions Young Lawyers Forum 2022 Organising Committee
- Advisor, Teen Talk Organising Committee
- Chairman, Working Party for Admission Ceremony for Newly Admitted Solicitors
- Member, Working Party on Chinese Translation of "Barrister" and "Solicitor"
- Member, Working Party on Dreamvar's case
- Member, Working Party on Election System
- Chairman, Working Party for In-House Lawyers
- Member, Working Party on the Law Society IT Systems
- Chairman, Working Party on Law Society Premises
- Member, Working Party on Review of The Law Society's Memorandum and Articles of Association
- Chairman, Working Party on Social Media
- Member, Working Party on Unregulated Legal Service Providers
- Member, LegCo Liaison Group

Volunteer Work

- Outstanding Volunteer Award of Hong Kong Volunteer Award 2022, co-organised by the Home and Youth Affairs Bureau and the Agency for Volunteer Service
- Executive Committee Member, Customs YES, Customs and Excise Department
- Member, Central Advisory Board, Junior Police Call
- Member, Hong Kong Council of Volunteering

Interests

Mr. Tong enjoys playing squash and golf. He represented The Law Society of Hong Kong in a number of golf tournaments.

Education

- City University of Hong Kong, LLM
- University of Hong Kong, PCLL
- University of London, LLB
- The Flinders University of South Australia, BA

Christopher K.K. Yu, Vice-President of The Law Society of Hong Kong

Mr. Christopher Yu is one of the partners of Howse Williams, one of the largest Hong Kong independent firms. He has a wide range of experience in corporate finance and regulatory matters including IPOs, takeovers, mergers and acquisitions, trading suspensions and resumptions and regulatory investigations. He also specialises in handling legal matters related to funds, trusts and formation of family offices, as well as clients' asset management and wealth succession. Mr. Yu was admitted to practise in Hong Kong and the United Kingdom.

Mr. Yu joined the Law Society Council in 2019 and has been Vice-President since 2021. He is an active member in the legal community. He serves on multiple committees of the Law Society, including as the Chairman of the Standing Committee on Compliance, as a member of the Standing Committee on Standards and Development, as a member of the Company Law Committee and as a member of the Legal Education Committee. Owing to his experience in corporate finance, he regularly assists the Council on financial services-related topics, including on views on amendment of legislation, market consultations of the Hong Kong Stock Exchange and the Securities and Futures Commission.



Public Services

Vice-President, The Law Society of Hong Kong Chairman, Standing Committee on Compliance, The Law Society of Hong Kong Member, Standing Committee on External Affairs (SCEA), The Law Society of Hong Kong Member, Legal Education Committee, The Law Society of Hong Kong Member, Company Law Committee, The Law Society of Hong Kong Member, Standing Committee on Standards and Development, The Law Society of Hong Kong Member, Standing Committee on Policy and Resources, The Law Society of Hong Kong Member, PCLL Academic Board, The University of Hong Kong Member, PCLL Academic Board, City University of Hong Kong Member, PCLL Academic Board, The Chinese University of Hong Kong Member, Board of the Hong Kong Academy of Law Limited Chairman of the Appeal Tribunal Panel, Planning and Lands Branch Development Bureau Panel member, Appeal Board Panel under District Cooling Services Ordinance relating to the Kai Tak Development