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Press Release

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Mr Roden Tong elected as President of The Law Society of Hong Kong

The Council of The Law Society of Hong Kong elected Mr Roden M.L. Tong as President for the 2024/25 term at its meeting on 11 June 2024. Additionally, Mr Amirali B. Nasir and Mr Christopher K.K. Yu were re-elected and Ms Careen H.Y. Wong was elected as Vice-President.

The list of Council members for the 2024/25 term is as follows:

List of Council Members (2024/25)

President

Roden M.L. Tong

Vice-Presidents

Amirali B. Nasir

Christopher K.K. Yu

Careen H.Y. Wong

Council Members

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

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

Professional Experience

Mr Roden Tong was in private practice specialising in litigation and dispute resolution before moving to in-house role in 2007. Mr Tong is currently the Chief Executive of Berkley Insurance Company. He leads the Hong Kong operations of Berkley Insurance Asia (a Berkley Company), with a strong focus on Financial Lines and Specialty insurance. Mr Tong has deep expertise in handling complex claims across Asia, including Lehman related investment mis-selling cases, US securities class actions against Hong Kong and PRC companies, US SEC investigations and large-scale fidelity claims. His clients include multinational corporations, listed companies, banks, and other financial institutions. Mr Tong was admitted in Hong Kong.



In addition to his role as the Chief Executive of Berkley Insurance Company, Mr Tong holds prominent positions within the legal and community spheres. He has served on various Law Society committees and working groups for nearly 20 years. In 2016, he was elected to the Council of The Law Society of Hong Kong, in 2021, he was elected as Vice-President, and in 2024, he was elected as President. Furthermore, he is a member of the Junior Police Call Central Advisory Board and an Executive Committee Member of Customs YES, a youth uniformed group operated by the Customs and Excise Department, where he actively promotes legal education for youth.

Professional Affiliations

The Law Society of Hong Kong

- President
- Chairman, Standing Committee on External Affairs
- Member, Standing Committee on Compliance
- Member, Standing Committee on Member Services
- Member, Standing Committee on Policy & Resources
- Chairman, Standing Committee on Member Services (2018-2021)
- Member, Standing Committee on Practitioners Affairs (2016-2021)
- Member, Standing Committee on Standards and Development (2017-2018)
- Member, Diversity and Inclusion Committee
- Chairman, Greater China Legal Affairs Committee
- Member, Honours Committee
- Member, In-House Lawyers Committee
- Member, Insurance Law Committee
- Member, Investigation 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, Teen Talk Organising Committee (2017, 2018, 2019, 2020)
- Chairman, Working Party for 25th Anniversary of HKSAR and 115th Anniversary of Law Society
- 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
- Member, 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
- Chairman, Working Party for In-House Lawyers (2020-2024)
- 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

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 Affairs Working Party, PIS Panel Solicitors Selection Board and Hong Kong Solicitors Indemnity Fund Limited.

He has also been appointed as a representative on statutory or official committees such as Costs Committee, Court of Final Appeal Rules Committee, Director of eBRAM International Online Dispute Resolution Limited, Council member of: (i) IBA [Also member of the IBA Bar Issues Commissions] (ii) Union Internationale des Advocats (UIA) [Also Regional Secretary for Asia for UIA], and (iii) Commonwealth Lawyers Association.

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.



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

Professional Experience

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

Careen H.Y. Wong, Vice-President of The Law Society of Hong Kong

Ms Careen Wong was first elected to the Council of The Law Society of Hong Kong in 2018, and was re-elected in 2021 and 2024 upon the completion of her respective terms. During her tenure, Ms Wong has worked actively with other Council members in various areas, including but not limited to upholding the rule of law, enhancing professional standards, and promoting development opportunities for the legal profession. Some of her responsibilities held include Chairperson of Standing Committee on Standards and Development, Founding Chairperson of Small and Medium Firms Committee, Chairperson of Greater Bay Area Lawyers Sub-Committee, Vice-Chairperson of Consents Committee, member of Greater China Affairs Committee, and member of International Legal Affairs Committee. Ms Wong has also been actively assisting the Law Society in organizing various major conferences and events, having previously served as Chairperson of Organizing Committee for the Cross-Strait Young Lawyers Forum, Vice-Chairperson of Organizing Committee for the Belt and Road International Summit, and member of Organizing Committee for the Legal Year Opening Ceremony.



In terms of her professional expertise, Ms Wong has been running her own law firm for 15 years, known to lead on the handling of commercial, real estate, and personal legal affairs, as well as wealth and succession planning in local and cross-border contexts. Her other qualifications include China-Appointed Attesting Officer, Greater Bay Area Lawyer, Solicitor (England and Wales, currently not practising), Civil Celebrant of Marriages, and Reverse Mortgage Counsellor.