

## ABBREVIATED TERMS USED IN THIS REPORT

2013 Guide	Software Directory and Selection Guide 2013
ABA	American Bar Association
ABS	Alternate Business Structure
Academy	Hong Kong Academy of Law Limited
ACAN	Action Committee Against Narcotics
AJLS Panel	Panel on Administration of Justice and Legal Services
AML	Anti-Money Laundering
AQOs	Air Quality Objectives
AR Rules	Admission and Registration Rules
Bar Association	Hong Kong Bar Association
BIP	Business of Intellectual Property
BSD	Buyer's Stamp Duty
CA	Court of Appeal
CAT	Convention Against Torture and Refugee Law
CDTAs	Comprehensive Avoidance of Double Taxation Agreements
CEE	Common Entrance Examination
CFA	Court of Final Appeal
CityU	City University of Hong Kong
CJR	Civil Justice Reform
CO	Companies Ordinance
Conduct Guide	The Hong Kong Solicitors' Guide to Professional Conduct (Volume 1, second edition)
CPD	Continuing Professional Development
CRC	Community Relations Committee
CUHK	The Chinese University of Hong Kong
DIPN	Departmental Interpretation and Practice Notes
DOJ	Department of Justice
DVD	Double Rates for Ad Valorem Stamp Duty
ECAS	Employees Compensation Assistance Scheme
Editorial Board	Hong Kong Lawyer Editorial Board
EOC	Equal Opportunities Commission
Eol	Exchange of Information
GCLAC	Greater China Legal Affairs Committee
HAD	Home Affairs Department
HC	High Court
HKCSS	The Hong Kong Council of Social Services
HKICPA	Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants
HKICS	The Hong Kong Institute of Chartered Secretaries
HKMAAL	Hong Kong Mediation Accreditation Association Limited
HKMC	Hong Kong Mortgage Corporation Limited
HKSIF	Hong Kong Solicitors' Indemnity Fund
HKSIFL	Hong Kong Solicitors' Indemnity Fund Limited
HKTDC	Hong Kong Trade Development Council
HKU	The University of Hong Kong
HRA	Higher Rights of Audience
IBA	International Bar Association
IHLC	In-House Lawyers Committee
IIA	Independent Insurance Authority
ILAA	Independent Legal Aid Authority
ILAC	International Legal Affairs Committee

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IP	Intellectual Property
IPD	Intellectual Property Department
JFIU	Joint Financial Intelligence Unit
LAD	Legal Aid Department
LASC	Legal Aid Services Council
LDD	Law Drafting Division
LegCo	Legislative Council
LLP	Limited Liability Partnerships
LPO	Legal Practitioners Ordinance
LRC	Law Reform Commission
LSB	Legal Services Board
LWB	Labour and Welfare Bureau
NPCSC	National People's Congress Standing Committee
OLQE	Overseas Lawyers Qualification Examination
OLY	Opening of Legal Year
ORO	Official Receiver's Office
PCLL	Postgraduate Certificate in Laws
PI	Personal Injuries
PIS	Professional Indemnity Scheme
PMAC	Property Management Advisory Centre
PMSA	Property Management Services Authority
RM	Reverse Mortgage
RME	Risk Management Education
RVD	Rating & Valuation Department
SCLET	Standing Committee on Legal Education and Training
SCOLAR	Standing Committee on Language Education and Research
Selection Board	PIS Panel Solicitors Selection Board
SLA	Shenzhen Lawyers Association
SPI Rules	Solicitors (Professional Indemnity) Rules
SPR	Solicitors' Practice Rules
SSD	Special Stamp Duty
STR	Suspicious Transaction Report
*The Law Society	The Law Society of Hong Kong
TIEAs	Tax Information Exchange Agreements
The Tribunal Convenor	The Tribunal Convenor of Solicitors Disciplinary Tribunal Panel
TSR	Trainee Solicitors Rules
USM	Unified Screening Mechanism
YCPG	Young Coalition Professional Group
YPR	Young Partners Roundtable
YSG	Young Solicitors' Group

\* Except for the Council's Report and the Independent Auditor's Report when The Law Society of Hong Kong was referred to as "The Society" from page 4 to 5 and from page 165 to 186.