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**Law Society: Solicitors**

**CIRCULAR 25-674 (COM)**

**9 October 2025**

## **25-674 (COM) ONLINE PLATFORM FOR RENEWAL OF MEMBERSHIP AND PRACTISING CERTIFICATE 2026**

### **Training Videos**

1. The Law Society's online platform with new feature for renewal of membership and practising certificate was launched on 29 September 2025.
2. Following the sharing session held on 9 October 2025, training videos covering the following five types of applications and payment processes will be uploaded to the Members' Zone of the Law Society's website by 10 October 2025. The video will be available under "Membership/Registration Renewal Applications" → "Renewal of Membership with Practising Certificate (Solicitors)":
  - (a) [For members] How members can handle or verify the applications for Renewal of Membership, Renewal of Membership with Practising Certificate and/or Statement of Compliance with CPD & RME;
  - (b) [For law firm staff] How law firms can complete the application forms for Renewal of Membership with Practising Certificate and Statement of Compliance with CPD & RME for their lawyers;
  - (c) Recreational and Sports Programme;
  - (d) Online payment for individual solicitors; and
  - (e) Online payment for law firms.
3. Members may also refer to the "General Introduction to Online Applications" for comprehensive guidance on the online application process.



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4. For enquiries regarding application formalities, please contact the Registration Section at 2846-0554 / 2846-0529 or by email at [pcrenewal@hklawsoc.org.hk](mailto:pcrenewal@hklawsoc.org.hk).



***Index Reference:***

**Law Society: Solicitors**

**CIRCULAR 25-675 (COM)**

**9 October 2025**

**25-675 (COM) SOLICITORS: MEMBERSHIP &  
PRACTISING CERTIFICATES**

**Applications for 2026 Membership and Practising Certificate  
(Repeat Circular)**

1. As part of the Law Society's ongoing efforts to enhance services to members, the Law Society has launched an online platform for solicitors to renew their membership and practising certificates, and to settle payments electronically. For details, please refer to [Circulars 25-635\(COM\)](#) and [25-665 \(COM\)](#).
2. In parallel with the online platform, paper forms for the renewal of 2026 membership and practising certificates are being dispatched to all members by post. Members are not required to contact the Registration Section regarding the delivery of their application forms unless they have not received them by 31 October 2025.
3. Paper or online applications for membership and/or for practising certificates effective from 1 January 2026 must be submitted on or before 30 November 2025.
4. Members subject to the Practising Certificate (Special Conditions) Rules (Cap.159Y) who have not yet given the six weeks' notice to the Law Society are reminded to submit the Notice of Intention to Apply for a Practising Certificate. Please note that there is no online form for this notice, and blank copies may be downloaded from the Law Society's website. For further details, please refer to Circular [25-502 \(COM\)](#).
5. Pursuant to Rule 3 of the Practising Certificate (Solicitors) Rules (Cap.159L), the application fee for a practising certificate is HK\$6,500. The Council has resolved that the membership subscription fee for 2026 will remain at HK\$2,500. The total fee for applying for a 2026 practising certificate and membership subscription is therefore HK\$9,000.



6. Members opting to submit paper applications may settle the payment by cheque, credit card or through the Faster Payment System (FPS) using the individualized QR codes provided. For those choosing to pay by credit card, the completed forms must be submitted at least five working days before the deadline to allow sufficient time for processing.
7. Members opting to submit applications online must settle payment electronically via credit card (VISA, Mastercard or Union Pay) or through the Faster Payment System (FPS). Members may assign their law firms to settle payment for any or all of the online applications. To access the online platform and receive application and payment confirmations, members and law firms must have registered their Correspondence Email with the Law Society. Please refer to Circular [25-616 \(COM\)](#) for details.
8. Members are reminded that they remain individually responsible for submitting the relevant applications and ensuring timely payment. Due to the high volume of applications received during this period, the average processing time for membership applications, practising certificate applications and membership cards is approximately four weeks. Applications received by the Law Society after 30 November 2025 may result in (1) practising certificates not being processed before 1 January 2026, and (2) issuance of a 2026 practising certificate valid for less than one calendar year (i.e. from the actual issue date until 31 December 2026). Any case of solicitors practising without a current practising certificate will be referred to the Conduct Section for investigation.
9. For enquiries regarding application formalities, please contact the Registration Section at 2846-0554 / 2846-0529 or by email at [pcrenewal@hklawsoc.org.hk](mailto:pcrenewal@hklawsoc.org.hk).



***Index Reference:***

**Law Society: Cessation of  
Practice**

**CIRCULAR 25-676 (COM)**

**9 October 2025**

**25-676 (COM) CESSATION OF PRACTICE  
(HONG KONG FIRM OF SOLICITORS)**

The following firm has ceased practice with effect from the date indicated below:

<b>Firm Name</b>	<b>Date of Cessation</b>	<b>Contact Details The Agent</b>
BRYAN CAVE LEIGHTON PAISNER LLP (博凱立有限法律責任合夥)	1 October 2025	<b>ROBERTSONS</b> Tel. No.: 2868-2866 Fax No.: 2868-5820 Contact person: Mr. Michael John LINTERN-SMITH

<b>Total number of firms</b>	<b>New Firms in August 2025</b>
924	2



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### *Index Reference:*

**Law Society: Commencement  
of Practice**

**CIRCULAR 25-677 (COM)**

**9 October 2025**

## **25-677 (COM) COMMENCEMENT OF PRACTICE (REGISTERED FOREIGN FIRM)**

The following registered foreign firm has commenced practice from the date indicated below:

**Firm Name**

**Date of Commencement of Practice**

IVANYAN & CO

15 September 2025



***Index Reference :***

**Intellectual Property / Trade  
Marks / Intellectual Property  
Department**

**CIRCULAR 25-678 (PA)**

**9 October 2025**

**25-678 (PA) INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY DEPARTMENT**

**TRADE MARKS REGISTRY WORK MANUAL**

1. The Intellectual Property Department (“IPD”) has updated the following chapters of the Trade Marks Registry Work Manual:
  - (a) “Appeals against decisions of the Registrar”;
  - (b) “Where the application is to be made”;
  - (c) “Applications for extension of time (other than under rules 13(3) and 13(6))”; and
  - (d) “Orders of court transferring registered trade marks and applications”.
2. The marked-up version showing the changes are set out in the log of changes which can be found on the website of the IPD:

[English Version](#)

[Chinese Version](#)





***Index Reference :***

**Intellectual Property / Trade  
Marks / Intellectual Property  
Department**

**CIRCULAR 25-679 (PA)**

**9 October 2025**

**25-679 (PA) INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY DEPARTMENT**

**TRADE MARKS REGISTRY WORK MANUAL**

3. The Intellectual Property Department (“IPD”) has updated the following chapters of the Trade Marks Registry Work Manual:
  - (e) “Appeals against decisions of the Registrar”;
  - (f) “Where the application is to be made”;
  - (g) “Applications for extension of time (other than under rules 13(3) and 13(6))”; and
  - (h) “Orders of court transferring registered trade marks and applications”.
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**Intellectual Property/Trade  
Marks/Intellectual Property  
Department**

**CIRCULAR 25-680 (PA)**

**[9] October 2025**

**25-680 (PA) INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY**

**CONTACT PERSONS FOR ENQUIRIES ON  
TRADE MARKS, PATENTS AND DESIGNS REGISTRIES**

1. The Intellectual Property Department (“IPD”) on 6 October 2025 provided the Law Society with a list of contact persons of the IPD, to facilitate practitioners to make enquiries with the department on the E-filing System, the Public Online Search System and the Registries’ forms.
2. Please click [here](#) to view the above list.
3. Circular **24-857(PA)** is superseded.



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## Enquiries From Solicitors On Wills, Codicils And Other Testamentary Dispositions

An enquiry has been received from solicitors as to the existence of a will, codicil or other testamentary disposition made by the following deceased persons. If you are holding the original or a copy of any of these documents, you are requested to contact the enquiring firm directly within 14 working days.

Members are reminded to exercise due care when responding to enquiries in order to avoid any breach of the duty of confidentiality which they owe to the testator or the testator's personal representatives.

Name of Deceased Person	Date of Death	Hong Kong Identity Card No (save as otherwise specified)	Enquiring Firm
CHAN HOE (陳好)	28 December 1999	B742322(0)	STEVENSON, WONG & CO.
HSU TIN KWAI (許天桂)	14 April 2025	A615714(1)	TAM, PUN & YIPP
WONG CHI CHOI (黃志財)	12 August 2025	E353405(0)	LCP
CHENG SIN CHEUNG (鄭善祥) Alias (郑善祥)	27 January 1998	H363896(2)	GRANDALL ZIMMERN LAW FIRM
WONG CHING (黃清)	01 February 2020	B896125(0)	TSANG DEREK LAW OFFICE
FUNG KWOK LUEN (馮國聯)	27 October 2022	B850214(0)	CHUI AND LAU SOLICITORS
CHAN CHUN WA (陳春華)	07 June 2011	R261703(9)	LO & CO., PETER W.K.
KAM PAK KEUNG (甘伯強)	04 February 2022	A385202(7)	CHEUNG & CO.



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CHEUNG PO KING (張寶景)	24 August 2025	E639560(4)	TANG AND SO
CHAN KAI (陳繼)	Certified dead on 28 March 2025	A730392(3)	KAN & CO., FRED
LIU QICHUN (劉齊春) Alias (刘齐春)	23 August 2025	K720465(5) 及 港澳居民來往內地 通行證號碼 H00563510	KAN & CO., FRED
HONG YAU FAT (康有發)	12 February 2023	D011668(9)	KAN & CO., FRED
MAN PO KAN (文寶根) Alias (文宝根)	30 May 2025	H044512(8) 及 港澳居民來往內地 通行證號碼 H08281596	LO & CO., PETER W.K.
(邝好)	15 September 2021	中華人民共和國 居民身份證 440301193511221322	CHAU & CO., K.B.
WONG WING (黃榮)	26 June 2015	B388174(7)	SUN LAWYERS LLP
(陈国华)	29 February 2016	中華人民共和國 居民身份證 440301193503121313	CHAU & CO., K.B.
SIN MAN SHUN (冼民信)	10 December 2021	A932683(1)	FAIRBAIRN CATLEY LOW & KONG
TSE LEE MING (謝利明)	23 July 2025	E203071(7)	CHEUNG & CO.
YU CHOI YUK (余彩玉)	22 January 2024	P059955(0)	CHONG & CO., SOLOMON C.
CHEN MEILAN (陳美蘭)	25 October 2024	M196620(6)	CHONG & CO., SOLOMON C.



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<b>TONG CHING MAN</b> (湯靜雯)	<b>03 August 2025</b>	<b>C282898(5)</b>	<b>KCL &amp; PARTNERS</b>
<b>CHENG CHEUNG SHUN</b> (鄭長順)	<b>11 February 2025</b>	<b>K890393(A)</b>	<b>CHONG &amp; CO., SOLOMON C.</b>
<b>CHAN CHO CHUNG</b> (陳祖從)	<b>10 June 2005</b>	<b>D278359(3)</b>	<b>CHUNG &amp; KWAN SOLICITORS</b>
<b>SO PO LAN</b> (蘇寶蘭)	<b>Certified Dead on 30 September 2010</b>	<b>B076932(6)</b>	<b>SUEN &amp; CO, JOHN C H</b>
<b>LAM OI TAI</b> (林愛弟)	<b>29 April 1999</b>	<b>A071423(5)</b>	<b>SUEN &amp; CO, JOHN C H</b>