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**Courts: Practice & Procedure &
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CIRCULAR 26-127 PP(PA)

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26-127 (PA) FAMILY COURT

Duty Judges

26 February 2026 to 26 April 2026

1. The roster of Duty Judges in the Family Court for the period of **26 February 2026 to 26 April 2026** is as follows:-

Weeks in 2026	Duty Judge
26 February to 1 March 2026	D.D. Judge J. Lee
2 March to 8 March 2025	H.H. Judge G. Own
9 March to 15 March 2026	D.D. Judge M. Leung
16 March to 22 March 2026	D.D. Judge R. So
23 March to 29 March 2026	H.H. Judge G. Chan
30 March to 5 April 2026	D.D. Judge M. Leung
6 April to 12 April 2026	H.H. Judge T. Kwan
13 April to 19 April 2026	H.H. Judge S. Lo
20 April to 26 April 2026	H.H. Judge I. Wong

2. **The Duty Judge can be contacted at mobile phone number 9137 9007 for the specified period to deal with urgent applications *after court hours*.**
3. Members are advised that there could be last-minute changes to the above roster. On the other hand, the roster may not be made available by the Judiciary to the Law Society for publication in time. Members may wish to make inquiries with the Registrar direct to ascertain the duty judge on a particular day.
4. Circular 25-850 (PA) is deleted.



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**Courts: Practice & Procedure &
Judiciary**

CIRCULAR 26-128 (PA)

26 February 2026

26-128 (PA) JUDICIARY

Contact Details as at 24 February 2026

5. The Judiciary Administrator has updated the current contact details of the clerks assigned to High Court Judges, Deputy Judges, Recorders and Masters.
6. Members should encourage their clerks to check the Judiciary's website for the most up-to-date information on the contact details:

[English Version](#) and [Chinese Version](#)

7. Please click the following links for information on
 - (a) [Telephone directory of Clerks to Chief Judge / Justices of Appeal of the Court of Appeal of the High Court](#)
 - (b) [Telephone directory of Clerks to Judges of Court of First Instance of the High Court](#)
 - (c) [Telephone directory of Clerks to Deputy Judges of the Court of First Instance of the High Court](#)
 - (d) [Telephone directory of Clerks to High Court Masters](#)
 - (e) [Matters handled at the Clerk of Court's Office](#)
 - (f) [Matters handled at the High Court Registry](#)
 - (g) [Clerk of Court's Office - Listing](#)
 - hearings before Court of First Instance Judges (Civil matters and various tribunal appeals) - Room G32, G/F
 - Criminal matters - Room G31, G/F



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(h) [Clerk of Court's Office - Listing of appeals \(except tribunal appeals\)](#)

- Civil appeals - Room G30, G/F
- Criminal appeals and appeals from magistrates' courts - Room G28, G/F

(i) [Listing of hearings before High Court Masters \(LG1 Rm 108A & 108B\)](#)

8. For enquiries of the video conferencing facilities of the Correctional Services Department, (for lawyers on taking statements, meeting with client) please contact Lai Chi Kok Reception Centre at 2176 0181 or 2785 3461, or Cell of High Court Building at 2180 4848.
9. Members may refer to the "Contact Us" page of the Judiciary Website (address shown below) for the relevant contact information, including fax numbers, in the High Court as well. [English version](#) and [Chinese version](#)
10. Circular 26-105 (PA) is deleted.



Index Reference :

Law Society: General

CIRCULAR 26-129 (SG)

26 February 2026

26-129 (SG) DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

**Secondment Programme to
the Permanent Bureau of the Hague Conference on Private
International Law (HCCH) in The Hague;
the International Institute for the Unification of Private Law
(UNIDROIT) in Rome; and the International Organization for
Mediation (IOMed) in Hong Kong
(Updated Circular with Application Deadline extended to 10 March 2026)**

1. It is the policy initiative of the Department of Justice (DoJ) to nurture local legal talents through continuous provision of training opportunities, especially in the practice of foreign-related legal affairs, including secondment arrangements with relevant international organisations. By participating in the work of such organisations, local legal talents could gain knowledge of the operation of international organisations, broaden their horizons through working with international law experts, and inject a Hong Kong perspective in shaping the development of international law.
2. [Hague Conference on Private International Law \(HCCH\)](#)

Since December 2020, a standing arrangement has been put in place with the HCCH for seconding Hong Kong legal professionals in both the public and private sectors to the Permanent Bureau of the HCCH at The Hague, the Netherlands. This arrangement was made pursuant to an agreement concluded between the Central People's Government and the HCCH, and a memorandum of understanding signed between the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSARG) and the HCCH on 22 December 2020.

3. [International Institute for the Unification of Private Law \(UNIDROIT\)](#)

In line with the above policy initiative, a standing arrangement has been put in place with UNIDROIT for seconding Hong Kong legal professionals in both the public and private sectors to the Secretariat of UNIDROIT in Rome, Italy. This arrangement has been made pursuant to an agreement concluded between the Central People's Government and UNIDROIT, and a memorandum of understanding signed between the HKSARG and UNIDROIT on 12 May 2021.



4. [International Organization for Mediation \(IOMed\)](#)

The IOMed is the world's first intergovernmental legal organisation dedicated to resolving international disputes through mediation. With its Headquarters established in the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, IOMed commenced operations on 20 October 2025. A standing arrangement has been put in place with the IOMed for seconding Hong Kong legal professionals to the IOMed Secretariat. This arrangement has been made pursuant to an exchange of notes between the Central People's Government and the IOMed, and a memorandum of understanding signed between the HKSARG and the IOMed on 27 January 2026.

5. DoJ invites members to join the secondment programme. Application for the 2026 recruitment exercise for the secondment programmes **will close on 10 March 2026**.
6. Information notes about the Secondment Programmes, including details of the secondment, eligibility criteria, application procedures and selection process, are available at the [DoJ's website](#) or members may contact DoJ's International Law Division via email at melissakiang@doj.gov.hk



Index Reference:

**Overseas Lawyers
Qualification
Examination**

CIRCULAR 26-130 (SD)

26 February 2026

**26-130 (SD) OVERSEAS LAWYERS QUALIFICATION
EXAMINATION
2026 INFORMATION PACKAGE
(Repeat Circular)**

Opening Date for Applications:

Thursday, 5 February 2026

Deadline to Submit Applications:

Friday, 20 March 2026

I. Applications for the 2026 Overseas Lawyers Qualification Examination

1. The Information Package for the Overseas Lawyers Qualification Examination (“the Examination”) in 2026 (“[2026 Information Package](#)”) and the Application Form (“Application Form”) are available on the website of the Law Society at www.hklawsoc.org.hk.
2. Kindly note that for the 2026 Examination, applicants may elect to submit the **online Application Form** **or** **paper-based Application Form**. In either case, applicants are required to submit all supporting documents and information and effect payment of an application fee of HK\$6,600 by **Friday, 20 March 2026**.
3. The 2026 Information Package has been updated with the following major amendments:

(i) Part I – Overseas Lawyers Qualification Examination

Section C – Overseas Lawyers Qualification Examination Information

(Both online Application Form and paper-based Application Form are available at the [Law Society’s website](#))

If an applicant wishes to submit his application via online Application



Form, he will pay the application fee of HK\$6,600 via online payment options including but not limited to credit/debit cards (VISA, Mastercard, Union Pay), Faster Payment System (FPS), Alipay, WeChat Pay. Details of online payment options and procedures will be provided during the online submission process.

Alternatively, if an applicant wishes to submit the paper-based Application Form, he will have to pay the requisite fee by cheque, bank draft or cashier order payable to “The Law Society of Hong Kong” as online payment options are not available for submission of paper-based Application Form.

As the Application Form contains a statutory declaration pursuant to the provisions of the Oaths and Declarations Ordinance (Cap.11, Laws of Hong Kong) (i.e. Item 30 in the Application Form), an applicant is strongly reminded to return the original Application Form with the duly executed statutory declaration together with all supporting documents to the Department of Standards and Development **on or before 20 March 2026** for processing the application no matter an applicant is submitting the online Application Form or paper-based Application Form.

Mode of examination for 2026 Examination

The written Heads of the 2026 Examination (i.e. Heads I, II, III, IV and VI) (collectively, “Written Heads” and each, a “Written Head”) will be conducted **in a computer-based format**. An applicant is required to bring his own laptop computer to the Examination venue to take the Examination. An applicant has to pre-install the prescribed computer software for the computer-based Examination (“Lockdown Browser”) in his laptop computer prior to the Examination. Details of the installation and operation of the Lockdown Browser (including the taking of a practice examination) will be provided to candidates in due course.

A review of the Law Society’s decision under section 9 of the Overseas Lawyers (Qualification for Admission) Rules (“OLQE Rules”)

The application fee of HK\$3,000 can be made by cheque, bank draft or cashier order payable to “The Law Society of Hong Kong” or by online payment options, details of which will be provided to applicants in due course.

Procedure for registration to sit the 2026 Examination

Candidates can pay the registration fee in accordance with the Overseas Lawyers (Qualification for Admission) (Fees) Rules by cheque, bank draft or cashier order payable to “The Law Society of Hong Kong” or by online payment options, details of which will be provided to candidates in due course.



Withdrawal from sitting the Examination

If an applicant is unable to take the Examination after he has been issued a Section 3(2) Certificate issued under the OLQE Rules (“Section 3(2) Certificate”) but before he has registered his intention to sit the Examination, he may apply by letter, before the expiry of the Section 3(2) Certificate, for an extension of its validity period to enable him to take the next sitting. The application fee of HK\$1,500 can be paid by cheque, bank draft or cashier order payable to “The Law Society of Hong Kong” or by online payment options, details of which will be provided to applicants in due course.

Computers/calculators, mobile phones etc.

As the Written Heads of the Examination (i.e. Heads I, II, III, IV, VI) will be conducted **in a computer-based format**, an applicant is required to bring his own laptop computer to the Examination venue to take the Examination. He has to pre-install the Lockdown Browser in his laptop computer prior to the Examination. Details of the installation and operation of the Lockdown Browser will be provided to candidates in due course. He may also bring and use a silent and non-programmable calculator in the Examination. He is strongly advised not to bring any electronic/communication devices other than the laptop computer required for him to take the Examination (e.g. tablet, i-watches, smart watches, PDA, mobile phones, pagers, ear phones, ear pieces) into the Examination. If an applicant has brought along any of such devices, he must turn it off (including the alarm function) and put it under his seat in a position clearly visible to the invigilators. Failure to do so may result in disqualification.

Candidates with incapacities or disabilities

Any candidate who is incapable to take computer-based Examination or suffers from a disability necessitating special requirements to sit the computer-based Examination should make an application in writing addressed to the Director of Standards and Development **not less than six weeks** prior to the commencement date of the Examination (on or before 11 September 2026):

- advising the nature of the incapacity or disability and its effect in relation to ability to sit the computer-based Examination;
- including a medical report/certificate in support; and
- specifying the special requirements requested.



The application will be considered by the Overseas Lawyers Qualification Examination Committee.

A candidate is required to provide reason(s) for any application made after the deadline of 11 September 2026. The Law Society reserves the right not to consider any late applications.

Application for review of applicant's script

The application fee of HK\$3,000 per Head for a review of the answer(s)/script(s) by the Chief Examiners can be paid by cheque, bank draft or cashier order payable to "The Law Society of Hong Kong" or by online payment options, details of which will be provided to applicants in due course.

Section F-Guidelines for Exemption from sitting all or parts of the Examination

Meaning of "experience in the practice of law"

If an applicant's pre-admission experience such as in-house experience has been recognised by the regulatory authority as equivalent to the completion of statutory training period and as satisfying the admission criteria in the applicant's jurisdiction of admission, the applicant must demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Law Society that such pre-admission experience is comparable to the training required for admission and/or is relevant experience in the practice of law and that documentary evidence of attaining relevant experience in addition to the recognition of such pre-admission experience by the regulatory authority of the applicant's jurisdiction of admission must be provided.

Section G-Application Form

In view of the introduction of online Application Form and online payment options, the Personal Information Collection Statement in the Application Form has been revised. Consequential amendments to Items 29 and 30 of the Application Form have also been revised.

II. Enquiries

All enquiries relating to the applications for the 2026 Examination may be made by email to OLQEAppln@hklawsoc.org.hk or by call to +852 2805 9103.



Index Reference:

**Regulations: Practice Direction
P, The Anti-Money Laundering
and Counter-Terrorist
Financing Ordinance (Cap. 615)**

CIRCULAR 26-131 (SD)

26 February 2026

**26-131 (SD) LAUNCH OF THE ANTI-MONEY
LAUNDERING/COUNTER TERRORIST FINANCING
COMPLIANCE SELF-ASSESSMENT FORM
(Repeat Circular)**

1. As the designated regulatory body under the Anti-Money Laundering and Counter-Terrorist Financing Ordinance (Cap. 615), the Law Society is committed to supporting its members in managing money laundering and terrorist-financing risks effectively. Alongside this commitment, the Law Society has a statutory duty to oversee members' compliance with the statutory Client Due Diligence ("CDD") and record-keeping requirements. To fulfil these responsibilities, the Law Society is enhancing its supervisory framework through a proportionate, risk-based approach.
2. This work is also being undertaken to address the recommendations set out by the Financial Action Task Force ("FATF") in the [Mutual Evaluation Report of Hong Kong \(2019\)](#), which called on the Law Society to establish a robust, risk-based AML supervision of legal professionals.

Mandatory Anti-Money Laundering/Counter-Terrorist Financing Compliance Self-Assessment Form ("AML/CTF Form")

3. As part of ongoing efforts to meet FATF recommendations and enhance sector-wide compliance, the Law Society is rolling out the AML/CTF Form. Completion and online submission of this form is mandatory for all law firms in Hong Kong. This requirement is based on a resolution by the Council of the Law Society. As the designated regulatory AML supervisory body, the Law Society has a statutory duty to oversee members' compliance with the AML/CTF obligations.
4. Completion of the AML/CTF Form is an important part of meeting the Law Society's professional responsibilities, and non-compliance may be treated as professional misconduct.



5. The AML/CTF Form is designed to guide firms in reviewing their own compliance with the AML/CTF requirements and to help identify areas where additional guidance or training may be useful. It will also assist the Law Society in understanding where support is most needed and in developing practical guidance and other resources for members.
6. The goal is to make compliance easier and more collaborative, to establish a shared understanding of AML/CTF requirements across the sector, support firms in strengthening their compliance frameworks, and provide an opportunity to raise questions.

How to Complete the AML/CTF Form?

- (a) **Online access to the Form:** The link for online submission of the AML/CTF Form is available on the Law Society's AML website under the "[AML/CTF Compliance Self-Assessment Form](#)" tab. Please click [here](#) to access the link to the AML/CTF Form. On the AML website, members will also find a comprehensive [Frequently Asked Questions](#) document to assist with completing the form, as well as a sample AML/CTF Form for reference purposes only. **Please note that all responses to the AML/CTF Form must be submitted online using the link provided on the AML website; submissions by email or post will not be accepted.**
- (b) **Submission Deadline:** **2 March 2026**
- (c) **Submission Method:** **[Online only](#)** (no email or postal submissions)
- (d) **Relevant Period of Self-Assessment:** 1 January 2025 – 31 December 2025
- (e) **Complete All Required Fields:** Enter your information accurately.
- (f) **Submission of the AML/CTF Form:** Click the "Submit" button at the end of the form. The Law Society will receive your submission automatically, and you will receive a confirmation email.
- (g) **Record Keeping:** Refer to the front page of the AML/CTF Form for instructions on saving your submission and making amendments if needed.

Training and Engagement Opportunities:

7. To support firms in meeting their AML/CTF obligations, the Law Society will deliver targeted training sessions starting in 2026, both on-site and through webinars or workshops. These sessions will focus on the following areas:
 - Scope of compliance and CDD requirements
 - Red flags and risk indicators
 - Suspicious transaction reporting
 - Law Society's compliance tools.



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8. As part of this process, the Law Society will contact firms to arrange an AML/CTF training session. Firms are also encouraged to write to us if they would like to arrange such training or discuss a particular area in advance of our engagement.
9. For a detailed overview of the AML supervisory background, requirements, and progress, as well as the link to the AML/CTF Form and submission guidance, please refer to the AML webpage [AML/CTF Compliance Self-Assessment Form](#).
10. If you have any enquiries regarding this Circular, please contact the Law Society on **+852 2846 8804** or by email to aml@hklawsoc.org.hk.



Index Reference :

Law Society: General

CIRCULAR 26-132 (FA)

26 February 2026

**25-132 (FA) HONG KONG ECONOMIC AND TRADE OFFICE
IN BEIJING, GUANGDONG, SHANGHAI, CHENGDU AND
WUHAN**

**BJETO, GDETO, SHETO, CDETO & WHETO Newsletters –
February 2026**

1. The BJETO, GDETO, SHETO, CDETO and WHETO Newsletters are regular publications by the Hong Kong Economic and Trade Offices in Beijing, Guangdong, Shanghai, Chengdu and Wuhan containing the latest information on the Mainland commercial and trade-related policies, laws and regulations and the economic and trade activities in Beijing, Guangdong, Shanghai, Chengdu and Wuhan.
2. Please click the following links for the February 2026 Edition (in Chinese only):
["BJETO" Newsletter](#)
["GDETO" Newsletter](#)
["SHETO" Newsletter](#)
["CDETO" Newsletter](#)
["WHETO" Newsletter](#)



26 February 2026

PROBATE

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
LEE CHI KEUNG (李自強) Alias (李自強)	09 April 2025	C303551(2) 及 港澳居民來往內地通行證 號碼 H06987070	CHONG & CO., SOLOMON C.
CHONG WAI KUEN (莊惠娟)	25 January 2026	H045674(A)	LAU Y.S. & PARTNERS
HO NUI (何女)	15 June 2021	B246035(7)	KWOK & CO., W.F.
CHOI TONG FAI (蔡桐輝)	09 September 2015	A189077(0)	LO & CO., PETER W.K.



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FONG KWAN NIN (方群年)	13 December 2025	R566527(1) 及 港澳居民來往內地通行證 號碼 H04857386	FOO AND LI
HO KEE (何基) Alias HO KEI	02 November 2025	A464488(6)	MOK & CO., ZEKE
WONG YUET WAH (黃月華)	Certified dead on 6 February 2025	A587857(0)	GALLANT
LEUNG MAN (梁文)	Certified dead on 2 July 2022	E399196(6)	CHIU, SZETO & CHENG SOLICITORS
LEE HUNG KWAN (李鴻鈞)	02 June 2020	B775486(3)	TUNG & ASSOCIATES
LIU CHUN KEUNG (廖俊強)	Discovery on 22 March 2024	H137415(1)	LO & CO., PETER W.K.
CHAN HIU YUNG (陳澆蓉) Alias (陈浇蓉)	17 February 2000	G328995(7)	NG HARMONY & ASSOCIATES



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CHAN CHOW LING (陳秋凌)	10 June 2024	B772129(9)	YOUNG & CO., ROWDGET W.
HO MAY LING LOUISE (何美玲)	About 2 weeks or more before 8 May 2025	G293765(3)	LAI & CO., DOMINIC Y.K.
LAO CHING YI (魯靜怡)	04 December 1983	C232848	KING & WOOD MALLESONS