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***Index Reference :***

**Law Society: Cessation of  
Practice**

**CIRCULAR 26-418 (COM)**

**9 July 2026**

**26-418 (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>
W.F. KWOK & CO. (郭榮豐律師行)	30 June 2026	For files of the closed firm with reference of "BK" at the highest order. <b>TANG, LEE &amp; CO. LLP</b> Tel. No.: 3848-8678 Fax No.: 3619-7456 Contact person: Mr. KWOK Wing Fung
		For files of the closed firm with reference of "JY" at the highest order. <b>C.O. YU &amp; Co. SOLICITORS LLP</b> Tel. No.: 2116-1902 Fax No.: 2116-1909 Contact person: Mr. CHAN Lap Ip

<b>Total number of firms</b>	<b>New Firm in May 2026</b>
930	0



## *Index Reference :*

### Property

CIRCULAR 26-(PA)

9 July 2026

## 26-419 (PA) HOME OWNERSHIP SCHEME SECONDARY MARKET SCHEME

### Special Arrangements for Wang Fuk Court residents

1. Reference is made to Circular [26-21 \(PA\)](#) of 8 January 2026.
2. In order to enable affected families of Wang Fuk Court (“WFC”) to arrange their long-term accommodation in a flexible manner, and as part of the long-term housing arrangements for residents of WFC, the Hong Kong Housing Authority (“HKHA”) endorsed in March 2026 to grant concerned owners of WFC flats (“the WFC Applicants”) Green Form Status for a period of two years upon selling their titles in WFC flats to the Government and receiving the acquisition payment, allowing them to purchase Subsidised Sale Flats (“SSF”) in the secondary market.  
  
Please click [here](#) for a letter of HKHA dated 2 July 2026 on the above special arrangements.
3. HKHA in the above letter also states that “... the WFC Applicants would be **exempted** from making the requisite declaration in **Part B** of the "Declaration in Support of the Application for a Letter of Nomination for Sale of Flats under Home Ownership Scheme Secondary Market Scheme" (HD891) in the course of making an application for the Letter of Nomination and the purchase of an SSF. The WFC Applicants may use the current version of HD 891 (Rev. 01/2026) with Part B struck out and initialled by them (as per the enclosed sample HD 891) for such purpose.”
4. If members have any queries, please contact Mr. Kenneth TSANG of HKHA (for Green Form Status) at 3162 0680 or Mr. YAU of HKHA (for White Form Secondary Market Scheme) at 2794 5504.



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**Professional Indemnity Scheme**

CIRCULAR 26-420 (PA)

9 July 2026

**26-420 (PA) PROFESSIONAL INDEMNITY SCHEME ("PIS")**

**Application for Indemnity Form ("AI") and Gross Fee Income Report  
("GFIR") to be submitted online  
on or before Saturday, 15 August 2026 5:30 p.m.**

The professional indemnity cover for all Hong Kong law firms for the 2025/2026 indemnity year will expire on Wednesday, 30 September 2026.

**1. Renewal Forms**

To renew indemnity, principals of law firms are required to submit an AI and a GFIR (except for new law firms, see paragraph 2(f) below) online via the PIS Digital Platform ("Platform") to the Scheme Manager, ESSAR Insurance Services Ltd. ("ESSAR") under rule 8 of the Solicitors (Professional Indemnity) Rules (Cap. 159M) ("Rules").

A notification email will be sent to the designated principal of each law firm from "[do-not-reply@riskconnect.com](mailto:do-not-reply@riskconnect.com)" regarding the renewal of the 2026/2027 indemnity year via the Platform in Mid-July 2026.

All Hong Kong law firms are required to complete and submit the AI and GFIR (as a scanned (black and white) copy attachment to the AI) executed in accordance with paragraph 2(a)(ii) below to ESSAR via the Platform online **on or before 15 August 2026 at 5:30 p.m.**, for the renewal of their indemnity for the 2026/2027 indemnity year, which commences on 1 October 2026. No physical/ hard copy or other forms will be accepted by ESSAR.

For enquiries on the Platform, please contact:

**ESSAR Insurance Services Ltd**  
**Ms. Pamela Poon, Scheme Administrator (direct line: +852 2862-4251); or**  
**Ms. Erica Kwok, Assistant Scheme Administrator (direct line: +852 2861-6300)**  
**34/F, One Island East, Taikoo Place**  
**18 Westlands Road, Quarry Bay, Hong Kong**  
**Telephone no.: +852 2861-6666 (general)**



## 2. The procedure for submitting the AI and GFIR (together the “Documents”) online

### a) Execution of the Documents

- (i) The AI must be signed by a principal of the law firm.
- (ii) The GFIR must:
  - (1) be signed by a **Certified Public Accountant (Practising) (“CPA”) reporting the gross fee income of the law firm’s Practice for the immediately preceding accounting year of not less than twelve (12) months;**
  - (2) be issued under the **letterhead of a CPA firm;**
  - (3) specify the **CPA’s full name and Practising Certificate number (at the signature block of the GFIR);**

If this is the law firm’s first time submitting a GFIR, the GFIR should cover the gross fee income of the law firm’s Practice from its commencement date and for not less than twelve (12) months.

If the law firm has changed its accounting year end, the GFIR should cover the period from the law firm’s last reported accounting year end to the immediately preceding new accounting year end.

The Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants informed its members through its Circular in May 2022 to utilize the updated GFIR for the purpose of rule 8 of the Rules. The sample wording of the GFIR will be available for downloading when a law firm accesses its AI online.

### b) Date of Submission: After 31 July 2026 and on or before 15 August 2026

- (i) The AI requires a law firm to state the name(s) of the solicitor(s) and foreign lawyer(s) practising under the law firm’s name as at 31 July 2026. This is because under paragraph 2(1)(a) of Schedule 1 to the Rules, with the exception of new law firms, ESSAR will calculate the amount of annual contribution based on the number of solicitors and foreign lawyers on that date. To ensure that accurate information will be provided to ESSAR, law firms should submit the AI online after 31 July 2026.
- (ii) If law firms choose to submit the AI online before 31 July 2026, **it is important that ESSAR be notified of any change in the composition of solicitors and foreign lawyers in the law firm between the date of online submission of the AI and 31 July 2026.**
- (iii) **Under rule 8(1) of the Rules, the last day to submit the Documents is Saturday, 15 August 2026.**



**c) Failure to submit the Documents by the statutory deadline of 15 August 2026**

**Failure to comply with rule 8 is a breach of the Rules.** Any failure shall be considered by the Working Party on PIS Gross Fee Income Reports and Contributions (“Working Party”) with recommendations to the Council to take appropriate action.

**d) Documents are to be submitted ONLINE ONLY via the Platform**

**Do NOT send physical or hard copies of the Documents to ESSAR or the Law Society.**

**e) Application for an Extension of Time: To be sent to The Law Society**

If for any reason a law firm is not able to meet the statutory deadline of 15 August 2026, the law firm should make a **PRIOR** application to the Council for an extension of time to submit the Documents, **setting out (i) the period of time extension required and (ii) the reasons for requiring it.** All applications should be addressed to the **Assistant Director, Professional Indemnity Scheme, at The Law Society of Hong Kong, 26/F, The Center, 99 Queen's Road Central, Central, Hong Kong.** Applications should be made **on or before 6 August 2026** as there is **no guarantee** that applications received after this date can be considered by the Working Party before the statutory deadline of 15 August 2026.

**f) New Law Firms or Law Firms without the first set of Audited Accounts**

A new law firm, i.e. a law firm which commenced practice after 15 August 2025 or a law firm which has not had its first set of accounts audited, will not need to submit a GFIR by 15 August 2026. It must, however, submit an AI online via the Platform by 15 August 2026 to comply with rule 8(1) of the Rules. The new law firm will not need to state the amount of gross fee income in the AI. Pursuant to paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 1 to the Rules, the new law firm will pay a basic average contribution for the PIS renewal for the 2026/2027 indemnity year.

**g) Law Firms intending to Cease Practice**

Any law firm which intends to cease Practice prior to the commencement of the 2026/2027 indemnity year must comply with Practice Direction D7 of the Law Society Practice Directions. In particular, for the purpose of professional indemnity cover, the law firm **must give notice of cessation to ESSAR at least 8 weeks prior to 30 September 2026.** If the notice period ends on a date after 30 September 2026, the law firm may be required to pay contribution for the whole of the 2026/2027 indemnity year subject to any adjustment to be made upon cessation of Practice.



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- 3. An email regarding the PIS renewal 2026/2027 has been sent to the designated email address of the designated principal of each law firm on 9 July 2026 by the Law Society. Members are reminded to take note that the email will be sent from “adpis\_group@hklawsoc.org.hk”.**



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**Law Society: General**

CIRCULAR 26-421 (FA)

9 July 2026

**26-421 (FA) HONG KONG ECONOMIC AND TRADE OFFICE  
IN BEIJING, CHENGDU, GUANGDONG, SHANGHAI AND  
WUHAN**

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

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



## *Index Reference:*

Law Society: General

CIRCULAR 26-422 (MS)

9 July 2026

## 26-422 (MS) ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF IN-HOUSE LAWYERS 2026

### Invitation for Sponsorship



1. Organised by the In-House Lawyers Committee ("IHLC"), the **Annual Conference of In-House Lawyers 2026** ("the Conference") will be held on **Thursday, 3 September 2026** at the **Hong Kong Ocean Park Marriott Hotel**. The Conference aims to provide a platform for in-house legal professionals to address key issues affecting the industry. The 2025 Conference achieved record-breaking attendance of over **500 participants** through hybrid participation and was supported by more than **20 sponsors and partners**, receiving overwhelmingly positive feedback from participants.
2. A highlights video of the 2025 Conference is available for viewing at [this link](#).



3. Themed "*Navigating New Frontiers: In-House Lawyers in a Shifting Global Landscape*", the Conference this year will explore the evolving role of in-house legal professionals in an increasingly dynamic global environment. The programme will examine emerging challenges and opportunities arising from geopolitical, regulatory, technological and business developments, and facilitate the exchange of practical insights among legal professionals and industry leaders.
4. The Conference provides an excellent platform for organisations to enhance their brand exposure amongst legal professionals representing different industries and sectors from Hong Kong, the Greater China region and overseas jurisdictions. IHLC wishes to invite organisations to support this flagship annual event as sponsors.
5. The details of the Conference are as follows:

Date:	<b>Thursday, 3 September 2026</b>
Time:	<b>9:00 am to 5:00 pm</b>
Venue:	<b>Hong Kong Ocean Park Marriott Hotel</b> , 180 Wong Chuk Hang Road, Aberdeen, Hong Kong Special Administration Region
Format:	Hybrid
Language:	<b>English</b> (with Simplified Chinese simultaneous translation subtitles)
Participants:	Around 500 members from The Law Society of Hong Kong and legal professionals, as well as guests from the Greater China region and overseas, with priority given to in-house lawyers
Registration fee:	<b>In-person participation:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>In-house lawyers: HK\$200 per person</b></li><li>• <b>Private practitioners and others: HK\$800 per person</b></li></ul> <b>Online participation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• For all members: Free</li></ul>

Remarks: CPD points will be applied for and only eligible for in-person participants.

6. Please click [here](#) for the sponsorship package. If your law firm is interested in sponsoring the Conference, please complete the [sponsorship form](#) and send to [inhouselawyers@hklawsoc.org.hk](mailto:inhouselawyers@hklawsoc.org.hk) by **Thursday, 23 July 2026**.
7. For any queries, please contact Ms Virginia Wong of the Communications & External Affairs and Member Services Department on [virginia.wong@hklawsoc.org.hk](mailto:virginia.wong@hklawsoc.org.hk)



***Index Reference :***

**Law Society General**

CIRCULAR 26-423 (PA)

9 July 2026

**26-423 (PA) MANDATORY PROVIDENT FUND  
REVISED GUIDELINES**

**(Guidelines III.2, III.10 and III.14)**

1. The Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Authority (the “Authority”) has approved three sets of revised MPF guidelines:

**Revised MPF guidelines (three guidelines)**

<a href="#">Guidelines III.2</a>	on Equities and Other Securities
<a href="#">Guidelines III.10</a>	on Index-Tracking Collective Investment Schemes
<a href="#">Guidelines III.14</a>	on Default Investment Strategy

2. Currently, gold exchange traded funds (Gold ETFs) are individually approved by the Authority for investment by MPF funds. Guidelines III.2 has been revised mainly to reflect the change of regulatory approach for Gold ETFs from individual approval to categorical approval provided that a Gold ETF:
  - (a) is authorized by the Securities and Futures Commission (SFC) and listed on the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong;
  - (b) invests primarily in gold bullions; and
  - (c) is not classified as a derivative fund by the SFC.
3. As a result of the revisions made to Guidelines III.2, consequential changes have been made to Guidelines III.14. Some housekeeping changes have also been made to the three aforementioned guidelines.
4. The three sets of revised guidelines became effective on 7 July 2026.
5. The revised MPF guidelines can be downloaded from the Authority’s [website](#). Members may also contact Ms Teresa Lee of the Authority on 2292 1286 to obtain hard copies of the revised MPF guidelines.



***Index Reference :***

**Courts: Practice & Procedure &  
Judiciary**

CIRCULAR 26-424 (PA)

9 July 2026

**26-424 (PA) JUDICIARY**

**Contact Details (as at 2 July 2026)**

1. The Judiciary Administrator has updated the current contact details of the clerks assigned to High Court Judges, Deputy Judges, Recorders and Masters.
2. 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](#)

3. 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



- (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 \(LG1 Rm 108A & 108B\)](#)
4. 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.
5. 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](#)
6. Circular 26-374 (PA) is deleted.



## *Index Reference :*

### Property

CIRCULAR 26-425 (PA)

9 July 2026

## 26-425 (PA) HONG KONG HOUSING SOCIETY'S FLAT-FOR-SALE-SCHEME (“FFSS”)

### FFSS Secondary Market Scheme Updates to Documentation

1. The Hong Kong Housing Society (“HKHS”) wrote to The Law Society and informed of the following updates:

#### **Certificate of Eligibility to Purchase (Green Form Status) for Wang Fuk Court Owners**

2. To provide affected families of Wang Fuk Court (“WFC”) with greater flexibility in arranging their long-term housing needs, and as part of the long-term housing arrangements for WFC residents, eligible owners of WFC flats (“WFC Applicants”) may obtain Green Form Status for a period of **two years**. This enables them to purchase Subsidised Sale Flats with premium unpaid in the secondary market, including flats under the FFSS Secondary Market Scheme administered by HKHS, after they have sold their WFC flat to the Government and received the acquisition payment.
3. For this purpose, HKHS will issue a new version of the Certificate of Eligibility to Purchase (Green Form Status) (“CEP”) exclusively for eligible WFC Applicants (see Appendix 2d in paragraph 7 below).

#### **Statutory Declaration in Support of the Application for a Letter of Nomination**

4. To provide suitable and practical assistance to the affected families of WFC, the prevailing policy on the restriction on ownership of domestic property in Hong Kong to Green Form applicants have been lifted for the WFC Applicants when applying to purchase a subsidised sale flat under the FFSS Secondary Market Scheme within the validity period of their CEP.



5. Accordingly, WFC Applicants are exempted from making the declaration required under Part B of the Statutory Declaration (i.e. Appendix 4a) in the course of making an application of Letter of Nomination.
6. HKHS has also revised the Statutory Declaration (Appendix 4a) to reflect the exemption applicable to eligible WFC Applicants as mentioned above together with other minor drafting and textual amendments to the Statutory Declaration for clarity and consistency. Stakeholders are advised to adopt the revised version (Version: Jul 2026) of the Statutory Declaration with effect from **9 July 2026** (see Appendix 4a in paragraph 7 below).
7. The updated documentation can be obtained by clicking the relevant links below:-

	Document	Appendix	Version
(1)	Certificate of Eligibility to Purchase (Green Form Status) exclusively for eligible WFC Applicants	<a href="#">Appendix 2d</a>	Jul 2026
(2)	Statutory Declaration for the purchaser(s) other than WSM 2024	<a href="#">Appendix 4a</a>	Jul 2026

8. For ease of reference, a summary of the latest version of related documents previously circulated via Circular 25-482 (PA) and Circular 25-702 (PA) is provided:

	Document	Appendix	Version
(1)	Statutory Declaration for WSM 2024 purchaser(s) only	<a href="#">Appendix 4a(i)</a>	Oct 2025
(2)	Acknowledgement Letter by Purchasers (For purchasers of White Form/Flat for Flat Pilot Scheme for Elderly Owners only)	<a href="#">Appendix 4c</a>	Jul 2025
(3)	Letter of Nomination	<a href="#">Appendix 6</a>	Oct 2025
(4)	Sample of Reply Slip	<a href="#">Appendix 10</a>	Jul 2025

9. Members should take note of the aforesaid amendment, which shall be supplemental to Circular [24-778 \(PA\)](#).
10. Circular 26-68 (PA) is superseded.



## *Index Reference :*

Law Society: General

CIRCULAR 26-426 (EA)

9 July 2026

## 26-426 (EA) FORUM ON “NORTHERN METROPOLIS: INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES AND RELATED LEGAL ISSUES”

(北部都會區：投資機遇與法律實務專題講座)

Friday, 17 July 2026  
(Updated Circular)

**THE LAW SOCIETY OF HONG KONG**  
香港律師會

蘇紹聰立法會議員辦事處  
Office of Legal Services Member Office, Thomas Siu Shu-hung, JP

### Forum on Northern Metropolis: Investment Opportunities and Related Legal Issues

### 北部都會區： 投資機遇與法律實務專題講座

Date 日期 : 17.7.2026 (Friday 星期五)  
Time 時間 : 5:15pm - 7:00pm  
Venue 地點 : The Law Society of Hong Kong 香港律師會  
Language 語言 : Cantonese (supported by simultaneous interpretation in English)  
廣東話 (配以英語即時傳譯)  
CPD Points 持續專業進修學分 : 15 Points 分

Opening Remarks 開幕辭:

 <b>Mr Roden Tong, BBS</b> President of The Law Society of Hong Kong <b>湯文龍律師, BBS</b> 香港律師會會長	 <b>Dr the Hon Starry Lee Wai-king, GBS, JP</b> President of the Legislative Council of the HKSAR <b>李慧球議員, GBS, JP</b> 香港特別行政區立法會主席	 <b>The Hon Bernadette Linn Hon-ho, JP</b> Secretary for Development of the HKSAR Government <b>甯漢豪女士, JP</b> 香港特別行政區政府 發展局局長
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Moderator 主持:

 <b>Dr the Hon Thomas So Shiu-tsung, JP</b> Member of the Legislative Council (Election Committee) of the HKSAR and Past President of The Law Society of Hong Kong <b>蘇紹聰博士, JP</b> 香港特別行政區立法會議員 (選舉 委員會) 及香港律師會前會長
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Speakers 講者:

 <b>Mr Ng Kim Wai</b> Head, Planning & Development Team (2), Northern Metropolis Co-ordination Office of the HKSAR <b>吳劍偉先生</b> 香港特別行政區政府北部都會區 統籌辦事處規劃及發展組(2)組長	 <b>Mr Herman Tse</b> Head of Business & Professional Services, Invest Hong Kong of the HKSAR Government <b>謝宇文先生</b> 香港特別行政區政府投資推廣署 總裁 (商務及專業服務)	
 <b>Ms Chris Zhao</b> Council Member of The Law Society of Hong Kong <b>趙彤律師</b> 香港律師會理事會成員	 <b>Mr Lee Kin, MH</b> Chief Executive & Registrar, The Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants <b>李健先生, MH</b> 香港會計師公會行政總裁兼 註冊主任	 <b>Ms Sharon Tam</b> Council Member of The Law Society of Hong Kong <b>譚雲欣律師</b> 香港律師會理事會成員

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1. In recent years, the Northern Metropolis has become a major impetus for Hong Kong's future development and a key platform for integration with the Greater Bay Area. As underscored by the recent two-day visit of Xia Baolong, Director of the Hong Kong and Macao Work Office—which focused on Hong Kong's alignment with the nation's 15<sup>th</sup> Five-Year Plan and the ongoing development of the Northern Metropolis—this initiative has been elevated to a strategic level within national planning. Against this backdrop, the progressive rollout of policies, industry initiatives, and cross-boundary investment mechanisms is expected to generate significant opportunities.
2. These developments will, in turn, give rise to a growing demand for legal expertise in areas such as investment structuring, regulatory compliance, financing, and dispute resolution. As the Government rolls out dedicated legislation, streamlines planning procedures, and introduces preferential policy packages to attract strategic enterprises, legal practitioners will face an increasingly complex regulatory environment.
3. In light of the significance of this transformative initiative to the legal profession, The Law Society of Hong Kong and the Office of Dr Hon Thomas So Shiu-tsung, JP, Member of the Legislative Council (Election Committee), will co-organise a Forum on “Northern Metropolis: Investment Opportunities and Related Legal Issues” on Friday, 17 July 2026.
4. The Forum will serve as a valuable platform for legal practitioners to deepen their understanding of the evolving legal landscape, engage directly with policymakers and industry experts, and explore effective strategies for supporting clients in navigating the emerging opportunities presented by this initiative.
5. Details of the Forum are as follows:

**Date:** Friday, 17 July 2026

**Time:** 5:15 pm to 7:00 pm (Registration starts at 4:45 pm)

**Venue:** Auditorium, The Law Society of Hong Kong  
(26/F, The Center, 99 Queen's Road Central, Central, Hong Kong)

**Format:** In person

**Opening remarks:** Mr Roden TONG, BBS, President of The Law Society of Hong Kong  
Dr the Hon Starry LEE Wai-king, GBS, JP, President of the Legislative Council of the HKSAR

The Hon Bernadette LINN Hon-ho, JP, Secretary for Development of the HKSAR Government

**Moderator:** Dr the Hon Thomas So Shiu-tsung, JP  
Member of the Legislative Council (Election Committee) of the HKSAR and  
Past President of The Law Society of Hong Kong



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**Thematic speakers:**

Mr Ng Kim Wai, Head, Planning & Development Team (2),  
Northern Metropolis Co-ordination Office of the HKSAR Government  
(Topic: The Legal Status, Dedicated Legislation and Policy Framework of the Northern Metropolis)

Mr. Herman Tse, Head of Business & Professional Services, Invest Hong Kong of the HKSAR Government  
(Topic: The Key Industries and Investment Environment of the Northern Metropolis)

Ms. Chris Zhao, Council Member of The Law Society of Hong Kong  
(Topic: Investing in the Northern Metropolis: Market Access, Approval Procedures and Compliance)

Mr Lee Kin, MH, Chief Executive & Registrar, The Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants  
(Topic: Corporate Structuring, Tax and Cross-border Funding Arrangements for Enterprises in the Northern Metropolis)

Ms. Sharon Tam, Council Member of The Law Society of Hong Kong  
(Topic: Outbound Compliance for Enterprises: Case Study on the Manus Acquisition)

**Fee:** Free of charge

**Language:** Cantonese (supported by simultaneous interpretation in English)

**CPD Point(s):** 1.5 points

**Remarks:** Complimentary coffee/tea will be provided

6. Registration is essential to secure your place. For members who are interested in joining the Forum, please register via [Law Society Mobile App](#). A confirmation email containing relevant details of the Forum will be sent to successfully registered members.
7. For enquiries, please contact Ms Aggie Chan or Ms Gigi Wong of the Communications & External Affairs and Member Services Department at [aggie.chan@hklawsoc.org.hk](mailto:aggie.chan@hklawsoc.org.hk) or [gigi.wong@hklawsoc.org.hk](mailto:gigi.wong@hklawsoc.org.hk).



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CIRCULAR 26-427 (MS)

9 July 2026

**26-427 (PA) SWIMMING GALA 2026**

Save the Date!

Sunday, 23 August 2026



1. To promote a healthy and active lifestyle through swimming and to encourage members to enjoy this water sport with their children and grandchildren, the Swimming Team under the Recreation and Sports Committee is organising its Annual Swimming Gala this summer. The Swimming Gala 2026 (the “Swimming Gala”) will be held on **Sunday, 23 August 2026 at the West Island School (“WIS”)\* Swimming Pool in Pok Fu Lam**. Offering a welcoming and family-friendly environment, the Swimming Gala provides an excellent opportunity for members and their families to embrace the joys of swimming, strengthen family bonds, and experience the many benefits that sport brings to health, well-being, and happiness.



2. Healthy habits are best built together. The Swimming Gala provides a wonderful opportunity for members and their families to come together in a fun and active environment, encouraging participants of all ages to embrace the joy of swimming, celebrate the spirit of sportsmanship, and enjoy quality family time.
3. The day will feature a dynamic mix of offerings, including individual events, family replay, and children replay — all designed to bring out smiles and create a festive atmosphere for everyone.
4. More details will follow soon. In the meantime, mark your calendar and look forward to a day dedicated to health, happiness, and family bonding!

*\* Please note that the venue at WIS is subject to final confirmation.*



## Remarks

5. Members have the responsibility to decide whether the programmes, activities or events are suitable for their children/grandchildren according to the situation, ability and medical condition of their children/grandchildren.

## 6. Statement on Use of Event Photos and/or Videos

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7. The Law Society reserves the right to alter any arrangements of the Swimming Gala including but not limited to cancelling any event items in case of insufficient enrolment.
8. For enquiries related to the Swimming Gala, please email us on [RnS@hklawsoc.org.hk](mailto:RnS@hklawsoc.org.hk).



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CIRCULAR 26-428 (MS)

9 July 2026

**26-428 (MS) YSG THINK TANK 2026  
Pricing Models for Law Firms in the Future**

**Young Solicitors' Group  
(Repeat Circular)**

1. The YSG Think Tank is a competition introduced by the Young Solicitors' Group (“YSG”), which aims at providing the younger generation in the profession more opportunities to express their views on topics pertinent to their legal practice. Participants will work in teams to develop solutions to address legal issues or current hot topics in law, and to present their proposals to a judging panel for a chance to win a prize.
2. The theme for the YSG Think Tank 2026 is **“Pricing Models for Law Firms in the Future”**.
3. YSG is now inviting members with less than 10 years of PQE, trainee solicitors and/or student members to participate in the competition in teams of two to six.



4. For those who are interested in participating in the YSG Think Tank 2026, please click [here](#) to sign up INDIVIDUALLY **on or before 12:00 p.m. Tuesday, 14 July 2026.**
5. Participating teams shall also submit the problem statement in relation to the theme for approval to [erica.ko@hklawsoc.org.hk](mailto:erica.ko@hklawsoc.org.hk) on or before 12:00 p.m. Tuesday, 14 July 2026. Upon successful registration, participants will receive a confirmation email from the Law Society.
6. Shortlisted teams will be invited to present their solutions to the judging panel on the Pitching Day scheduled to be held on **Saturday, 22 August 2026 at The Law Society of Hong Kong.** Requirements and further information about the presentation will be sent to the shortlisted teams closer to the date.
7. Please refer to the Information Sheet [here](#) for full details of the YSG Think Tank 2026, including the detailed registration instructions, requirements of the problem statement and solution, and arrangements of the Pitching Day etc.
8. The three teams with the best solutions/performances will receive the following prizes:

<b>Champion team:</b>	HK\$10,000 worth of cash coupons
<b>1<sup>st</sup> runner-up team:</b>	HK\$5,000 worth of cash coupons
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> runner-up team:</b>	HK\$3,000 worth of cash coupons

Prize-winning teams will also be invited to publish their solutions in Law Society's official journal Hong Kong Lawyer.

9. For enquiries, please contact Ms. Erica Ko of the Communications & External Affairs and Member Services Department at [erica.ko@hklawsoc.org.hk](mailto:erica.ko@hklawsoc.org.hk) or 2846 0530.



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CIRCULAR 26-429 (MS)

9 July 2026

## 26-429 (MS) RECREATION AND SPORTS PROGRAMME

**THE LAW SOCIETY OF HONG KONG**

# THE RECREATION AND SPORTS PROGRAMME 2026

**RSC TEAMS & GROUPS**

The R&S Programme is an annual programme under the Recreation and Sports Committee ("RSC"). It aims at encouraging members to lead a balanced life within demanding work routines and to network with their fellow members and other professional bodies by taking part in various recreational and sporting activities.

Currently, the RSC has 14 sports teams and 9 recreational groups which provide year-round training sessions, classes and activities. There are also mega annual events such as the Recreation and Sports Night, Members and Family Fun Day and Swimming Gala that are all dynamic and fun-filled. RSC will also send member representatives to take part in various joint professional competitions and invitational events held in other jurisdictions.

**MEGA ANNUAL EVENTS**

**Registration:**  
The annual fee for joining the 2026 Programme is HK\$100, and is waived for student members.

**Click here to sign up now!**

Enquiries: [RnS@hklawsoc.org.hk](mailto:RnS@hklawsoc.org.hk)

1. The Recreation and Sports Committee ("RSC") is a subcommittee under the Standing Committee on Member Services. Through encouraging members to take part in various recreational and sporting activities, the Law Society enables members to have a balanced life within demanding work routines and to network with fellow members and external parties.



2. Please click the link(s) below for details of the upcoming RSC activities.

**Practice/Training**

**[Recreation and sports practice & class timetable](#)**

**[Line Dance Classes – 10 Aug to 12 Oct 2026](#)**

3. For those who are interested in joining the RSC activities above, please sign up for the Recreation and Sports Programme (the "Programme") 2026 according to the [enrolment and payment instructions](#). *If you have already joined the Programme 2025, your membership has been automatically renewed until 31 December 2026, and it is not necessary for you to enroll in the Programme 2026.* Please click [here](#) for more details.
4. The Law Society provides a set of safety guidelines for most of the RSC activities. The safety guidelines can be found at the [RSC webpage](#) (Member's Zone login is required).
5. If you have any enquiries, please feel free to contact us on [RnS@hklawsoc.org.hk](mailto:RnS@hklawsoc.org.hk).



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CIRCULAR 26-430 (MS)

9 July 2026

**26-430 (MS) RUNNING TEAM**

**2026 Coaching Sessions for Runners**  
**July to September 2026**  
**(Repeat Circular)**

THE LAW SOCIETY OF HONG KONG  
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**THE LAW SOCIETY RUNNING TEAM**  
**2026 COACHING SESSIONS**  
**FOR RUNNERS**

»»» JULY TO SEPTEMBER 2026

»» Sign up by 10 July 2026  
(Standard rate)

QR CODE

PHOTO 1: A group of people, including lawyers and runners, posing with a banner that reads 'LAW SOCIETY OF HONG KONG'.

PHOTO 2: A group of runners in athletic wear posing with a banner that reads 'LAW SOCIETY OF HONG KONG'.



1. The Law Society Running Team will organise a new series of professional coaching sessions from July to September 2026. The Team will once again invite Ms Sophia Lai, Hong Kong elite runner, (click [here](#) for profile) as the coach of this new coaching series on Mondays and Saturdays. All levels of runners are welcome.
2. Details of the coaching sessions are as follows:

	<b>(A) Monday night classes:</b> (13 sessions)	<b>(B) Saturday morning long runs:</b> (3 sessions)
Dates:	- <b>July: 6, 13, 20 &amp; 27</b> - <b>August: 3, 10, 17, 24 &amp; 31</b> - <b>September: 7, 14, 21 &amp; 28</b>	- <b>July: 4</b> - <b>August: 1</b> - <b>September: 5</b>
Time:	<b>7:30 pm to 9:00 pm</b>	<b>7:00 am to 10:00 am</b>
Venue:	<b>Central Promenade</b>	<b>Happy Valley Sportsground</b>
Minimum Class Size:	15 pax	15 pax
<b>Fees &amp; Registration Options:</b>	<b>Standard rate (HK\$) (by 10<sup>th</sup> July 2026)</b>	
	• <b>A+B (Mon &amp; Sat classes) (16 sessions)</b>	1,500
	• <b>A only (Mon classes) (13 sessions)</b>	1,300
	• <b>B only (Sat classes) (3 sessions)</b>	300
Remarks:	a) Participants are required to join the Recreation and Sports Programme 2026 and the Law Society Running Team. If you have not joined the Programme yet, please sign up according to the <a href="#">enrolment and payment instructions</a> . b) ALL fees are non-refundable and non-transferable and cannot be paid on a pro-rata basis. c) The Law Society reserves the right to alter any arrangements including cancelling the classes in case of insufficient subscription or reschedule any session due to inclement weather conditions or other reasonable causes.	

3. Interested members may register via the [online form](#) and complete payment by **10<sup>th</sup> July 2026**. For details, please refer to the [online form](#).

#### 4. Personal Information Collection Statement

The personal data collected in the process of registration (the “data”) will be used by the Law Society (the “Organiser”) for registration of the 2026 Coaching Sessions for Runners (“the classes”), making logistical arrangements, and other related purposes. The data may be provided to such persons within the Law Society whose proper business is to process your registration of the classes, and may also be provided to other persons who may facilitate the Organiser to carry out the purposes mentioned above. Any data that is provided to anyone outside of the Organiser will be restricted to what is necessary to achieve any intended



purposes. You have the right to request access to and correction of the data. Any such request should be addressed to the Secretary General, The Law Society of Hong Kong, 26/F, The Center, 99 Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong. The Privacy Policy Statement of the Law Society is available on its website at [www.hklawsoc.org.hk](http://www.hklawsoc.org.hk).

#### **5. Statement on Use of Event Photos and/or Videos**

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6. For enquiries related to the class(es), please contact the Running Team with details below:
- Mr Sonny Lam, Running Team Captain: 6218 2212 or [cslsonny@yahoo.com](mailto:cslsonny@yahoo.com); or
  - Ms Catherine Lau, Running Team Convenor: 6107 0230 or [catherinelsf@gmail.com](mailto:catherinelsf@gmail.com); or
  - Mr Danis Wong, Running Team Convenor: 9088 2813 or [wongsorlam@gmail.com](mailto:wongsorlam@gmail.com)



9 July 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
LAU BING YAN (劉炳寅)	Certified dead on 19 April 2010	A744472(1)	YU SUN YAU MAK & LAWYERS
(梁亞意)	15 June 2011	中華人民共和國居民身份 証號碼 440103193402253925	YU SUN YAU MAK & LAWYERS
(陈瑞均)	23 February 2022	中華人民共和國居民身份 証號碼 440103193411163913	YU SUN YAU MAK & LAWYERS
WONG HUNG BUN (王鴻斌) Alias (王鴻斌)	26 August 2004	P822320(7)	YU SUN YAU MAK & LAWYERS



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HUI GEORGE (許佐之)	19 October 2025	E929329(2)	CHONG & CO., SOLOMON C.
CHOW LEE PENG (曹麗蘋) Alias LEE PENG CHOW	27 February 2026	P493967(4)	AU-YEUNG, CHENG, HO & TIN
LAU CHUN LAN (劉春蘭) Alias (刘春兰)	Discovery on 15 January 2024	P869683(0) 及 港澳居民來往內地通行証 H03133977	SHEA & CO., DAMIEN SOLICITORS
TSE KWAI SIU (謝葵笑)	27 November 2008	B594361(8)	YUNG, YU, YUEN & CO.
CHONG NIN HO (莊年好)	Certified dead on 28 December 2025	E795456(9)	SHUM WONG & CO., SOLICITORS
LI YUNYING (李云英)	28 December 2025	R647201(9) 及 港澳居民來往內地通行証 H60579820	KONG & TANG
YUAN YONGHE (原永合)	22 November 2025	F036330(4)	YEUNG TERRY & LAI



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SHEN XIAOXIAN  
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About 3-5 days  
before 13 July 2025

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FONG & CO., JACK

LAU CHOY MAY  
(劉彩薇)

23 December 2015

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