Overview

Members of LASC

The Membership

The Council consists of: a Chairman who is not a public officer and who is not a barrister or solicitor or, in the opinion of the Chief Executive, who is not connected in any other way directly with the practice of law; 2 barristers and 2 solicitors, each holding a practising certificate issued under the Legal Practitioners Ordinance (Cap. 159); and 4 persons who, in the opinion of the Chief Executive, are not connected in any way with the practice of law. All members are appointed by the Chief Executive. The Director of Legal Aid sits on the Council as an ex-officio member.





The membership of the Council during the period from 1 April 2016 to 31 March 2017 is as follows:

- ▶ Dr Eric LI Ka-cheung, GBS, JP (Chairman)
- ► Ms Juliana CHOW Hoi-ling
- ► Mr Albert IP Yuk-keung (up to 31 August 2016)
- ▶ Ms Anna KWONG Sum-yee, FHKIA, MH
- ▶ Mrs Ayesha Macpherson LAU, JP (from 1 September 2016)
- ▶ Mr Clarence LEUNG Wang-ching, JP
- ► Mr Joseph Ll Chiu-wah, LLB, LLM, Notary Public (up to 31 August 2016)
- ► Ms Melissa Kaye PANG, MH, JP
- ► Ms Josephine Antonetta PINTO
- ▶ Ms Connie WONG Wai-ching, SBS, JP
- ► Mr Thomas Edward KWONG, JP, Director of Legal Aid (ex-officio)

About the Members

Dr Eric LI Ka-cheung GBS, JP, Chairman



- A senior practising accountant by profession
- Chairman of audit committees of major public bodies and listed companies
- President of the Hong Kong Society of Accountants in 1994
- Legislative Council Member (Accountancy Functional Constituency) for 13 years, up to 2004
- Chairman of the Public Accounts Committee of the Legislative Council for 9 consecutive years during his tenure as Legislative Council Member

- Awarded the first Accountant of the Year of Hong Kong in 1993
- Received the International Accountant Award in 2002
- Awarded Honorary Doctorate in Law by the University of Manchester, Honorary Doctor of Social Science by the Hong Kong Baptist University, Honorary Doctor of Social Science of The Education University of Hong Kong, Honorary Alumnus of the London Business School and Honorary Fellow of the Chinese University of Hong Kong and the Hong Kong Polytechnic University.

Juliana CHOW Hoi-ling



- Holder of a PCLL of Laws from the University of Hong Kong
- Called to the Bar in 1986
- Legal Advisor to the Immigration Tribunal
- Chairman of Appeal Tribunal, Buildings Ordinance of Development Bureau
- Member of the Bar Association's Special Committees on Welfare and Barristers Qualification Examinations
- Member of Noise Control Appeal Board Panel, Water Pollution Control Appeal Board Panel and Waste Disposal Appeal Board Panel of Environmental Protection Department
- Previously served as lawyer of the Duty Lawyer Service from 1998 to 2007 and sat on the Bar Chambers Management Committee and Legal Aid Review Committee

Albert IP Yuk-keung



- Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer of Langham Hospitality Investments
- Independent Non-Executive
 Director of publicly listed
 companies Hopewell Highway
 Infrastructure, Hopewell
 Holdings, Lifestyle International
 Holdings, Power Assets and TOM
 Group
- Non-Executive Director of Eagle Asset Management, Manager of Champion Real Estate Investment Trust
- Council Member and Adjunct Professor of Hong Kong University of Science and Technology
- Honorary Professor, Chairman of MSc Finance Board and Advisory Board Member, Faculty of Business, Lingnan University
- Adjunct Professor and member of the International Advisory Committee, College of Business, City University of Hong Kong

- Adjunct Distinguished Professor in Practice and member of the International Advisory Committee, University of Macau
- Adjunct Professor, Hong Kong Polytechnic University
- Adjunct Professor, Hang Seng Management College
- Board of Governor, Technological & Higher Education Institute
- Executive Fellow of Washington University in St. Louis
- Alumni Hall of Fame, Washington University in St. Louis
- Honorary Fellow of Vocational Training Council
- Vice Chairman of Board of Governor of World Green Organisation
- Member of Committee of Certification for Principalship, Education Bureau
- B.S. degree at Washington University in St. Louis (summa cum laude), and M.S. degrees at Cornell University & Carnegie-Mellon University

Anna KWONG Sum-yee FHKIA, MH



- Authorized Person Registered Architect and worked in both private, public and Catholic Diocese of Hong Kong before she commenced her practice in 2006
- President of the Hong Kong Institute of Architects (HKIA) (biennium 2009-2010)
- International Director, District 17
 Governor and Area Director of Zonta International, President of Zonta Club of Kowloon
- Council and Executive Committee Member of Hong Kong Federation of Women
- A recipient of the Bauhinia Leadership Award organised by the HK Agency for Volunteer Service

- Two of her Conservation Projects for church/new buildings for NGOs/developers she carried out won the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation Asia-Pacific Office "Culture Heritage & Conservation Award" and another Community Building Award from the HKIA
- Appointed by the HKSAR
 Government to the Town
 Planning Board, Council and
 Court of the Lingnan University,
 Trade Development Council
 – Infrastructure Development
 Advisory Committee
- Election Committee Member for the HKSAR Chief Executive (2006 & 2011)
- Election Committee Member for the National People's Congress Hong Kong Deputies (2007 & 2012)
- Appointed by a listed company to serve as a Non-Executive Independent Director in 2013

Ayesha Macpherson LAU JP



- Practising Accountant
- Member of Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales
- Member of Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("HKICPA")
- Accounting Advisor of Ministry of Finance of the People's Republic of China
- Chairperson of International Fiscal Association - Hong Kong Branch
- Chairman of Joint Committee on Student Finance
- Chair of Audit Committee of St Paul's Co-Educational College

- Member of The Council and Human Resource Policy Committee of The University of Hong Kong
- Member of Joint Liaison Committee on Taxation
- Member of Executive Committee of Guangdong Province Federation of Women
- Executive Committee Member of Business and Professionals Federation of HK
- Member of Public Service Commission
- Member of Policy Research Committee of the Financial Services Development Council
- Member of Financial Infrastructure Sub-Committee of HK Monetary Authority
- Member of Council of Advisors and Audit Committee of Our HK Foundation
- Member of Advisory Committee of the SADS HK Foundation Limited (charity)
- Non-Executive Director of the Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Authority

- Director of Crimson China Cultural Exchange Foundation Limited (charity)
- Previously served as Chairperson,
 Deputy Chair and Member of
 Hong Kong Institute of Certified
 Public Accountants Taxation
 Committee, Chair of Taxation
 Faculty Executive Committee
 of Hong Kong Institute of
 Certified Public Accountants,
 Deputy Chairperson of HKICPA
 Community Services Committee
- Previously served as member of Public Affairs Forum, Women's Commission, The Lump Sum Independent Grant Review Committee. Taskforce on Economic Challenges, Financial Reporting Review Panel Financial Reporting Council, Hong Kong Trade Development Council. **ICAC** Advisory Committee on Corruption, Harbourfront Commission, Aviation Development Advisory Committee, Market Development Committee of the Financial Services Development Council. Standing Committee on Judicial Salaries and Conditions of Service and Joint Committee on Student Finance

Clarence LEUNG Wangching, JP



- Director of Sun Hing Knitting Factory Limited
- Honorary Chairman of the Y. Elites Association
- Chairman of Committee on Youth, the Business and Professionals Alliance for Hong Kong
- Member of Hong Kong Tourism Board
- Member of the Commission on Poverty
- Member of the Tourism Strategy Group
- Member of the Contract Hire Car Permits Selection Board

- Member of the Textiles Advisory Board
- Member of the Vocational Training Council
- Previously served as member of the Town Planning Board
- Previously served as member of HKSAR SME Committee
- Previously served as member of the Trade and Industry Advisory Board
- Previously served as a Part-time Member of the Central Policy Unit
- Awarded BA and MA honours in Economics by the University of Cambridge

Joseph LI Chiu-wah LLB, LLM, Notary Public



- Senior Partner of Joseph Li & Co
- First admitted in England in 1986
- Served as a Senior Crown Counsel of the then Attorney General's Chambers before entering private practice
- Council Member of the Law Society of Hong Kong
- Chairman of the Working Party on Limited Liability Partnership of the Law Society
- Chairman of the Duty Lawyer Service Council

Melissa Kaye PANG MH, JP



- Practising Solicitor
- China Appointed Attesting Officer
- Notary Public
- Civil Celebrant
- Accredited General Mediator
- Managing Partner of Pang & Associates
- Vice President of the Law Society of Hong Kong

- Chairman of Committee on the Promotion of Civic Education
- Member of Independent Police Complaints Council
- Member of Corruption Prevention Advisory Committee of ICAC
- Member of the Standing Committee on Disciplined Services Salaries and Conditions of Service
- Member of Hong Kong Housing Authority

Josephine Antonetta PINTO



- Practising Barrister
- Admitted to the Hong Kong Bar in 1982
- Acted for the Duty Lawyer Service (1983-1993)
- Acting on Duty Lawyer Service
 Free Legal Advice Panel since
 1983
- Member of the Committee of the Hong Kong Bar Association (1987-1989)
- Member of the Hong Kong Bar Association's Sub-Committees
 - Special Committee on Personal Injuries (2002-2006)
 - Sub-Committee on Admission of Overseas Counsel (1987-1988)

- Sub-Committee on Draft Basic Law (1988)
- Sub-Committee on Vietnamese Refugees (1988)
- Member of Committee on Mental Health (Amendment) Ordinance 1997 (1998-1999)
- Member of Joint Committee with Law Society on Continuing Legal Education (1988)
- Member of Guardianship Board under Mental Health Ordinance (1999-2002)
- Fellow of The Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (1993-1995)
- Consultant Editor of the Hong Kong Law Reports and Digest (2005 to date)

Connie WONG Wai-ching SBS, JP



- Honorary University Fellow of Hong Kong Baptist University
- Master of Management Studies, University of Manchester, England
- Managing Director of Wong Sun Hing Limited, Executive Director of Onelink Industrial (Guangdong)
 Co Ltd and Managing Director of Guangzhou WanLing Real Estate
 Co Ltd since 1993
- President of the Kowloon Federation of Associations from 2009 to present
- Life President of the Federation of Hong Kong Guangxi Community Organisations Ltd and Standing Committee Member of The Chinese General Chamber of Commerce since 2012

- Vice Chairperson of HKCPPCC since 2008
- Standing Vice Chairperson of the Hong Kong Volunteers Federation since 2014
- Member of Kowloon City District Council since 2008 and served as the Chairperson of Kowloon City District Working Group on District Promotion of National Education
- Appointed as member of the Appeal Board (Amusement Game Centres) (2010 to present) and the Lotteries Fund Advisory Committee (2011 to present), as well as observer of the Independent Police Complaints Council (2014 to present)
- Served as Chairperson of Kowloon City District Civic Education Campaign Organising Committee, and sat on Kowloon City District Urban Renewal Forum and Kowloon City District Council Housing and Infrastructure Committee

Thomas Edward KWONG JP, Director of Legal Aid



- Graduated with Bachelor of Political Science and Bachelor of Laws
- Admitted as a Solicitor of the Supreme Courts of New South Wales, England and Wales and the High Court of Hong Kong
- Joined the Legal Aid Department in October 1987 as a Legal Aid Counsel
- Appointed Director of Legal Aid in September 2013
- Member of the Civil Justice Reform Monitoring Committee, SJ's Steering Committee on Mediation and Regulatory Framework Sub-Committee and HKMAAL Mediation Accreditation Committee

- Honorable member of the Organising Committee of the 3rd Asian Mediation Association Conference (2014)
- Previously served as member of the CJ's Working Party on Mediation, Civil Court Users' Committee. Criminal Court Users' Committee. Criminal Procedure Rules Committee, Steering Committee on Family Mediation, SJ's Working Group on Mediation, SJ's Mediation Task Force, Law Reform Commission Sub-Committee on Class Actions, Employees' Compensation Assistance Fund Board, Traffic Accident Victims Assistance Advisory Committee and HKIAC Mediator Accreditation Committee