

Christopher KH To



Call

2022 (Hong Kong)

Languages

English Cantonese Mandarin

Areas of Practice

Arbitration

Civil Fraud & Asset Recovery

Commercial & Banking Law

Companies

Compulsory Sales of Land

Conflict of Laws

Contract Law

Criminal Law

Debt Recovery

Defamation

Employment

Equity & Trusts

Family & Matrimonial Law

Injunction & Contempt

Insolvency

Intellectual Property

Land Resumption & Land

Compensation

Privacy / Data Protection

Probate & Succession

Property & Land

Public Law & Judicial Review

Unjust Enrichment

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Practice Profile

Christopher is a Middle Temple Scholar of 2023.

Called to the Bar in 2022, Christopher was appointed as a Judicial Assistant of the Court of Final Appeal in the



same year, where he conducted legal research on cases coming before the Court and prepared bench memoranda on appeals and leave applications for the Chief Justice, Permanent Judges, and Non-Permanent Judges of the Court, including Lord Neuberger of Abbotsbury, former President of the Supreme Court of the United Kingdom; and Mr Justice Robert French, former Chief Justice of the High Court of Australia.

Christopher is developing a broad civil practice with a focus on contractual and commercial disputes, company and insolvency matters, debt recovery claims, matrimonial matters, and land and property matters. He has been instructed by high net-wealth private clients, licensed money lenders, and statutory public body to advise and act on a range of disputes. On the criminal side, Christopher appears regularly in the Magistrates' Court and has been instructed to appear in the High Court.

Christopher joined Chambers upon completion of pupillage with Mr Anson Wong SC JP, Mr Valentine Yim, Mr Charles J Chan, Mr Eugene Yim, and Mr Vincent Chen. He is fluent in English, Mandarin and Cantonese, and is experienced in preparing legal documents in both simplified and traditional Chinese.

Education

- PCLL, City University of Hong Kong
- LLB, City University of Hong Kong
- St Joseph's College, Hong Kong

Scholarship & Award

- Middle Temple Scholarship for Advocacy Training (2023)
- Dean's Honours List (2020)

Appointments

• Judicial Assistant, Hong Kong Court of Final Appeal (2022-2023)

Publications

• "Jurisdiction and admissibility in international commercial arbitration: back to basics", Thomas Leung and Christopher KH To, Arbitration International, 2025 (with Mr Thomas Leung of Karas So LLP)

Selected Cases

Civil Procedure

• The Hong Kong Settlers Housing Corporation Ltd v Fung Tak Lok [2025] HKDC 261: Setting-aside a



- default judgment by demonstrating a public law defence has a real prospect of success; application under Order 15 rule 6 of the Rules of District Court (Cap 336H) to join an intended party (with Lydia Leung)
- The Hong Kong Settlers Housing Corporation Ltd v Tam Wai Lan [2025] HKDC 97: Setting-aside a summary judgment by demonstrating a public law defence has a real prospect of success; court made no order as to costs (with Lydia Leung)
- <u>香港平民屋宇有限公司對甄國業</u> [2024] HKDC 2110: Supporting case management stay of proceedings in district court civil action pending determination of upcoming judicial review proceedings (with Lydia Leung)

Company, Bankruptcy and Insolvency

- Re Cheng Jonathan (HCB 1888/2024): Acted for the debtor in opposing a bankruptcy petition on the grounds that the debtor does not submit to the jurisdiction of Hong Kong, the Petitioner is an unlicensed money lender, and the effective interest of the loan which gives rise to the petitioning debt exceeds 60% p.a. (led by Mr Anson Wong SC)
- Re China Zenith Chemical Group Ltd (HCCW 243/2023): Application for substitution as petitioner in a winding-up petition (sole advocate)
- Wing Sze Tiffany Wong and Edward Simon Middleton v Wong Sai Chung & Ors [2024] HKCFI 539: Resisted an application under Section 570 of the Companies Ordinance (Cap 622) for court to order a meeting and an application under Section 200(3) of the Companies (Winding Up and Miscellaneous Provisions) Ordinance (Cap 32) for court to give directions (led by Mr Anson Wong SC, with Mr Martin Kok)

Debt Recovery

- United Asia Finance Limited v Mok Kai Tung (DCCJ 2769/2024); United Asia Finance Limited v Lau Po
 Chu (DCCJ 2937/2024); United Asia Finance v Wong Cheuk Bun (DCCJ 4459/2024); United Asia Finance
 v Cheung Ka Yau (DCCJ 5144/2024) and more: Application for attachment order under O.44A rule 7 of
 the Rules of District Court (Cap 336H)
- <u>K Cash Express Limited v Lo Wing Lok</u> (DCCJ 4409/2024): Application for attachment order under O.44A rule 7 of the Rules of District Court (Cap 336H)

Privacy / Data Protection

• Shek Galen Pok v Privacy Commissioner for Personal Data & Hong Kong Examinations and Assessment



<u>Authority</u> (AAB 27/2024): Acted for the HKEAA and resisted an appeal before the Administrative Appeals Board which concerns the HKEAA's imposition of fees for HKDSE candidates to request for a copy of their examination scripts (led by Mr Anson Wong SC)

Criminal

- <u>FLCC 2251/2024</u>: Acted for the defendant on whether under Section 4 of the Motor Vehicles Insurance (Third Party Risks) Ordinance (Cap 272), if the court for special reasons thinks fit to order otherwise, the mandatory 12-months disqualification from holding or obtaining a driving license shall be dispensed with or reduced to a period of less than 12 months (sole advocate)
- <u>HCCP 729/2024</u> (on review from <u>WKCC 2700/2024</u>): Acted for the defendant who was faced with a charge of wounding with intent to make a bail application; argued on an issue concerning the specific intent required for the charge (with Lydia Leung)