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Year of Call

2014 (HK)

Practice Profile

Michael was called to the Bar in 2014 after completing his pupillage with Mr Albert Poon, Mr Duncan Percy, Mr Michael Liu and Mr Peter Wong.

Michael is developing a broad criminal practice. He has appeared for different clients in different levels of courts. He has handled a large variety of cases. Aside from defending and mitigation for different clients, Michael is also a Counsel on Fiat for the Department of Justice (DOJ) prosecuting for the DOJ.

In respect of his civil practice, Michael has acted for clients in personal injuries and contractual disputes.

Michael is fluent in Cantonese, English and Mandarin. He is able to draft legal documents both in English and Chinese.

Selected Cases

Criminal

High Court and District Court

HCCC 149/2018, HCCC 250/2019 (HKSAR v WONG Wai Ho) (Black Hill Wargame Murder)

- The client faced charges for Perverting the Course of Justice and Handling Stolen Goods in this long case involving two voire dires, two severances and over 10,000 WhatsApp messages and against a murder background
- Michael was tasked with cross examining PW3 (the friend of the deceased) (Led by Mr S. M. Chan)

HCCC 230/2024 (HKSAR v CHAN Cheuk Hin (D2)) (Firemen Rape Case)

- The client faced a charge of Rape with the 1st Defendant, both of whom were firemen at the time of the offence (Led by Mr Nelson Lam)

HCCC 237/2024 (HKSAR v LO Kin Man (D2))

- The client faced a charge of Conspiracy to Traffick in a Dangerous Drug and 2 charges of Trafficking in Dangerous Drugs with the 1st Defendant (Led by Mr Peter Wong)
- The drugs involved were 75kg of heroine worth HKD75,000,000

HCMA 109/2016 (HKSAR v CHEUNG Ka Ho)

- Represented a policeman for an appeal involving three counts of Indecent Assault and one count of Common Assault on his own daughter (Led by Mr B. K. Ho)

DCCC 779/2022 (HKSAR v LUI Chi Ho (D4))

- Represented the client for Money Laundering involving $5,000,000 cash (Led by Mr Peter Wong)

Magistrates' Courts

TMCC 825/2024, TMCC 1935/2024, ESCC 2126/2024 (HKSAR v LAU Chun Hin) (also known as ???)

- Consolidated mitigation for the client facing various charges of AOABH (See AniCom & Games Hong Kong (ACGHK) 2024) and Indecent Assault

TMCC 700014/2024 (HKSAR v X (D1))

- The young client (13 years old at the time of the offence) faced a charge of Attempting to Traffick in Dangerous Drugs with the 2nd Defendant in the Juvenile Court

FLS 14073/2021 (HKSAR v Wai Yuen Tong Medicine Co Ltd ?????????)

- Mitigation for the company involving a missed import license under Section 6C (1) and (2) Import and Export Ordinance Cap. 60

FLCC 1581/2021 (HKSAR v TSUI Chi Kit)

- Mr Cheng Huan SC led Michael to represent the client for a mitigation involving Drink Driving (Breathe Tier 3) and Careless Driving

Civil

DCPI 648/2018 X (sued by her mother and next friend, Y) v Cheer Holdings Limited (D3)

- The case serves as the blueprint of the movie ‘In Broad Daylight (白日之下)’ (2023)
- Represented D3 in a Personal Injury action
- D1, a social worker (now disqualified by the Social Workers Registration Board) and care home owner of D2, was accused of sexually assaulting X in D2
- Criminal proceedings against D1 were dropped as X could not testify due to her being mentally incapacitated and unstable
- D3 was formed by D1 and client with such background unbeknownst to client
- X brought this Personal Injury action (civil) against all parties after criminal charges were dropped

HCPI 172/2018, DCPI 1264/2019 (Fung Ka Fai v The Incorporated Owners of No. 1104, 1104A and 1104B Canton Road (D2))

- Represented the client in a Personal Injury action involving the Plaintiff allegedly falling from a balcony

HCA 1817/2015 Top Catering Limited v Chan Sze Nga Fiona t/a TASTY

- Junior to Mr Y. C. Yeung in assisting him in a Breach of Contract trial