



Catherine K.G. Por

Partner

Practice Area:

Family Law and Private Clients

Catherine was admitted to practise as a solicitor in England and Wales in 1983 and in Hong Kong in 1991. She joined the firm in 1999.

Catherine heads the Family Law Practice in the firm. She specializes in all aspects of family law disputes, and has extensive experience in complex financial claims, intervener proceedings, financial claims under Part IIA of the Matrimonial Proceedings and Property Ordinance (Chapter 192), Child Abduction cases, relocation of children cases, claims under the Guardianship of Minors Ordinance (Chapter 13), custody cases, pre-nuptial and post-nuptial agreements, contentious and non-contentious trust cases, contentious estate matters; cross border issues and enforcement proceedings. She has provided on several occasions legal opinions on Hong Kong Family Law.

Catherine is also an Accredited General and Family Mediator, Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and is a Notary Public and Civil Celebrant of Marriages.

Legal Specialisations:

Family Litigation, Trusts & Administration Disputes

Professional Qualifications:

- Solicitor of the Supreme Court of England and Wales - 1983 (non-practising)
- Solicitor of the High Court of Hong Kong - 1991
- Associate and Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators - 1995
- Notary Public of Hong Kong - 1995
- Civil Celebrant of Marriages - 2006
- Accredited General and Family Mediator

Education:

- London School of Economics (B.Sc. Economics (Hons), 1979)
- Newcastle-upon-Tyne Polytechnic (Common Professional Examination, 1980)
- Newcastle-upon-Tyne Polytechnic (Law Society Finals, 1981)

Language:

English, Cantonese and Mandarin

Professional Membership:

- Member of the Hong Kong Society of Notaries
- Fellow and Governor of the International Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers
- Member of the Family Law Committee of the Law Society of Hong Kong
- Member of the Mediation Committee of the Law Society of Hong Kong

Community Involvement:

- Council Member of Resource, the Counselling Centre Limited

Publication:

- Author of the Hong Kong Chapter of 3 Editions of Family Law Jurisdictional comparisons

Seminars / Talks:

- Presented a paper on Divorce Laws in Hong Kong at the International Society of Family Law conference in Beijing, PRC
- IAML European Chapter conference in Rome, Italy - on cohabitation - a Hong Kong Perspective in which she spoke about concubines as cohabitantes
- IAML Annual Meeting in Queenstown, New Zealand - on Current Developments in International Finance Disputes
- Cross Border Family Conference (Hong Kong & China) in Hong Kong Re Financial Claims under Part IIA of the Matrimonial Proceedings and Property Ordinance (Chapter 192)
- Presented a paper at the IAML Annual Meeting in Singapore on Forum/Jurisdiction & Shopping
- Seminar held by the Civil Law Committee of the All China Lawyers Association, Guangdong Lawyers Association and Shenzhen Lawyers Association
- Talk on "How Hong Kong Court Deals With Valuation And Division of Company Shares in Divorce Proceedings"
- Presented Workshops for the Hong Kong Academy of Law over a number of years on Letters of Advice in Family Law - Children and Finances of Law.