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4th ADVOCACY SKILLS SEMINAR

8 - 9th April 2017 - Boulevard Hotel, Kuala Lumpur

Advocacy is the art of persuasion. Most law schools teach this subject but only to a certain level due to limited time and lack of experienced teachers in this practical field. Thus, this subject is often left to individuals desiring to do "court work" to devise their own proficiency. But before you can develop your own skill, you must know some basic fundamental rules, guidelines and practises as well as the pitfalls and the narrow alleys to avoid. Many are left to learn these from their seniors but unless these seniors are themselves well honed in the craft, it is most likely a case of "the blind leading the blind" or the acquisition of a skill that is incomplete or unrefined.

This seminar intends to enlighten participants to not only the basic skills of advocacy but also to the finer points and techniques often missed, overlooked and neglected or perhaps forgotten by trial lawyers. Speakers for this seminar comprises of current Judges, retired Judges and senior practising advocates. Some of those from the Bench had been active advocates before their elevation. By virtue of their experience, they have an added advantage of being able to identify common errors and mistakes committed by advocates appearing before them. They will be highlighting these and rendering suggestions and proposals to overcome them.

This is one seminar that should not be missed by anyone who wishes to advance his or her advocacy skill. It is meant to enlighten you not only to the basic foundation of this craft but also share with you the various techniques that can be adopted into a winning style of your own.

The speakers from the Bar are senior practitioners who will set out the basic rules and disclose various perils, hazards and dangers to avoid. Aside from this, they will also share with you successful and proven techniques engaged and refined by them.

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DAY 1 PROGRAMME, 8TH APRIL 2017

- 8.00 am Registration
- 9.00 am **Welcome Address**
by Y A Bhg Tun Zaki Azmi
Retired Chief Justice, Malaysia and
Chairman of Legal Plus Sdn Bhd
- 9.10 am **Opening Address**
by YAA Tan Sri Dato Seri Zulkefli Ahmad Makinudin
Chief Judge (Malaya)
- 9.30 am **"How to Prepare for Trial"**
by YA Justice Dato' Lee Swee Seng
Judge, High Court, Malaya
- 11.00 am Coffee Break
- 11.30 am **"Examination-in-Chief and
Re-Examination: Much Neglected"**
by Y Bhg Dato' Lim Chee Wee
Past President of Malaysian Bar, Advocate & Solicitor,
High Court, Malaya and Senior Partner of Skrine & Co
- 12.30 pm Lunch Break
- 2.00 pm **"Effective Cross-Examination of Expert Witnesses"**
by YA Justice Dato' Vazeer Alam Mydin Meera
Judge, High Court, Malaya
- 3.30 pm Tea Break
- 3.30 pm **"Case Management, Interim Measures and Mediation"**
by Mr. Su Tiang Joo, Advocate & Solicitor
and Senior Partner of Cheah Teh & Su

DAY 2 PROGRAMME, 9TH APRIL 2017

- 9.00 am **"How to Corral A Witness In Cross-Examination"**
by Y Bhg Dato' Varghese George
Retired Judge of the Court of Appeal, Malaysia, and
currently an Advocate & Solicitor, High Court, Malaya
- 10.30 am Coffee Break
- 11.00 am **"Submission: How It is Done"**
by YA Dato' Mary Lim,
Judge, Court of Appeal, Malaysia
- 12.30 pm Lunch
- 2.00 pm **"Persuasive Presentation in the Appellate Court"**
by YA Datuk Wong Dak Wah
Judge, Court of Appeal, Malaysia
- 3.00 pm Coffee Break
- 3.30 pm **Panel Discussion**
YA Datuk David Wong
YA Dato' Mary Lim
Y Bhg Dato' Varghese George
YA Dato' Lee Swee Seng
YA Dato' Vazeer Alam Mydin Meera
Y Bhg Dato' Lim Chee Wee
Mr. Su Tiang Joo
- 4.30 pm -
4.45 pm **Closing Address**
by Y Bhg Tan Sri James Foong
Retired Judge of Federal Court, Malaysia
and Director of Legal Plus Sdn Bhd

LIST OF SPEAKERS



Tan Sri Dato' Seri Zulkefli Bin Ahmad Makinudin

Chief Judge of Malaya

The Right Honourable Mr. Justice Tan Sri Zulkefli bin Ahmad Makinudin was born on March 28 1951 in Ipoh, Perak. He had his early education at St. Michael's Institution, Ipoh, Perak and Maktab Tentera Di-Raja, Sungai Besi, Kuala Lumpur. His Lordship then read in the University of Malaya, Kuala Lumpur and obtained Bachelor of Laws (LLB)(Hons), thereafter obtained Master of Law (LLM) at the University College, University of London. He is the current Chief Judge of The High Court in Malaya since 12 September 2011.



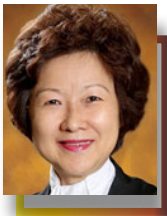
Justice Datuk David Wong Dak Wah

Judge, Court of Appeal, Malaysia

Justice Datuk David Wong Dak Wah read law at University of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia. He also obtained a B.Com (majoring in accountancy) from the same University. From 1978 to 1979 Datuk David was attached to a Public Accounting Firm in Sydney as a qualified auditor. In 1979 he was admitted as a barrister of the New South Wales Supreme Court in Australia. In 1980, Datuk David was admitted to the Sabah Bar and he practiced as an advocate and solicitor in Sabah until 1992. In 1992, Datuk David practiced in Sydney until 1996. In 1997 he returned to Sabah and practiced until 2005. Datuk David was appointed a Judicial Commissioner of the High Court of Sabah and Sarawak in Kuching on 29 August 2005 and elevated as a Judge of the High Court of Sabah and Sarawak with effect from 11 April 2007. On 15 January 2009 Datuk David was transferred to the High Court of Kota Kinabalu, Sabah until his elevation to the Court of Appeal Malaysia on 8 January 2013.

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Justice Dato' Mary Lim

Judge, Court of Appeal, Malaysia

Justice Dato' Mary Lim read law at the University of Leeds. She was called to the English Bar by the Honorable Society of Lincoln's Inn. She obtained a Master of Laws degree from the University of Western Australia. Dato' Mary Lim served various positions in the Attorney General's Chambers until her elevation to the High Court Bench where she was the first Judge of the Construction Court in Kuala Lumpur. Dato' Mary Lim is a qualified advocacy trainer with the Malaysian Bar Council and has conducted numerous courses on this subject. She has also delivered many public lectures of various topics associated with the law both nationally and internationally. Justice Dato' Mary Lim was elevated as Judge, Court of Appeal on 21 March 2016.

She recently taught at the Advanced Advocacy Course at Keble College Oxford.



Justice Dato' Vazeer Alam Bin Mydin Meera

Judge, High Court, Malaya

Justice Dato' Vazeer Alam Bin Mydin Meera, graduated with Bachelor of Laws (Honours) from the University of Wales Aberystwyth, United Kingdom. He then obtained a Master of Comparative Laws degree from University Islam Antarabangsa, Malaysia. Aside from this he also holds a Bachelor of Arts degree (majoring in Economics, Political Science & Philosophy) from the University of Singapore. Justice Vazeer Alam was the Chairman of the Bar Committee of Kedah & Perlis from 2004 - 2007 and Treasurer of the Malaysian Bar from 2005 - 2007. He was in active practice until his appointment as Judicial Commissioner of the High Court of Malaya in May 2010. He has served in the Penang High Court and is currently serving as the Senior Judge at the High Court, Malacca. He is a trained advocacy trainer with the Malaysian Bar Council and has conducted numerous sessions on this subject.



Y Bhg Dato' Varghese George

Retired Judge, Court of Appeal, Malaysia

Dato' Varghese George retired as Judge of the Court of Appeal, Malaysia on 27 January 2017. He was in private legal practice for 35 years before being elevated as a Judicial Commissioner in October 2009. He was appointed as a Judge of the High Court in August 2011 and to the Court of Appeal in October 2013. He graduated with a degree in Law (LLB) from the University of Singapore in 1974. He is a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and the Malaysian Institute of Arbitrators. Before Dato' Varghese's elevation he was a Senior Partner at Messrs. Zain & Co and was also a litigator mainly involved in commercial, land and administrative law cases and also in construction related arbitrations.



Dato' Lim Chee Wee

Past President of Malaysian Bar, Advocate & Solicitor, High Court, Malaya and Senior Partner of Skrine & Co

Dato' Lim Chee Wee graduated from the University of New South Wales, Australia with a LLB degree and B. Comm. (Accounting) degree. He was called to the Malaysian Bar as an Advocate & Solicitor in the High Court of Malaya in March 1993 and started practising in SKRINE. He was made a partner of SKRINE in January 2001. Dato' Lim Chee Wee is a past president of the Malaysian Bar.

Dato' Lim Chee Wee has a broad commercial practice having experience in a wide variety of commercial and corporate disputes and litigation including international arbitrations in Asia and Europe. He has worked closely, amongst others, with clients from Australia, Denmark, France, the Netherlands, Thailand, the United Kingdom and Singapore in managing their cross border disputes. Dato' Lim Chee Wee primarily acts as Counsel having appeared at all tiers of the Malaysian Courts and his portfolio of litigation work has a particular focus towards corporate litigation such as shareholders disputes, restructuring, recovery and insolvency. He has a number of cases reported in the law reports.



Justice Dato' Lee Swee Seng

Judge, High Court, Malaya

Justice Dato' Lee Swee Seng graduated with Bachelor of Laws (Hons) degree from University of Malaya and obtained his Master of Laws from the same university. He also holds a MBA degree from University of Southern Cross, Australia. Justice Dato' Lee was called to the Malaysian Bar in February 1985 and was in active legal practice until May 2010 when he was appointed a Judicial Commissioner of the High Court of Malaya. He was made a Judge of the High Court of Malaya in 2014 and currently is the Judge of the Construction Court in Kuala Lumpur. He has presented numerous papers and spoken at seminars and conferences on corporate and securities law, intellectual properties, franchise and competition law, mediation, contractual disputes and many other topics. He was also a visiting fellow of Taylor University Law School and a part-time lecturer with UM Law Faculty for the LLM Masters Programme. Justice Dato' Lee is a trained advocacy trainer with the Malaysian Bar and has conducted numerous courses on this subject.



Mr Su Tiang Joo

Advocate & Solicitor and Senior Partner of Cheah Teh & Su

Mr. Su Tiang Joo secured his Law degree with Honours from Manchester Metropolitan University (as it is now known), UK in 1982 and was admitted to the Bar of England and Wales in 1983 as a Barrister of Gray's Inn. He was called to the Malaysian Bar on the 24th of August 1984 and has been in active practice since. Whilst practising as a partner in a law firm in Selangor, he accepted the invitation of Mr. Cheah and Mr. Teh to return to Kuala Lumpur to join the firm of M/s Cheah & Teh in December 1990 to form the Firm as it is now known. He has experience in litigation work involving land transactions, commercial contracts, building contracts, industrial relations, corporate matters, partnership, probate and administration of estate, torts, landlord and tenancy, conveyancing and banking matters, insolvency, family law, judicial review, professional disciplinary proceedings and miscellaneous and incidental matters.

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