

**Curriculum Vitae of  
The Honourable Mr. Justice Joseph Paul Fok**

**1. Personal Background**

Mr. Justice Joseph Paul FOK (“Mr. Justice Fok”) was born in Hong Kong on 24 September 1962. He is married and has three children.

**2. Education**

Mr. Justice Fok obtained LL.B.(Hons) from University College London in the United Kingdom in 1984. He attended the Inns of Court School of Law and passed the Bar Examination in 1985.

**3. Legal Experience**

Mr. Justice Fok was called to the English Bar in 1985 and to the Hong Kong Bar in 1986. He was admitted as an Advocate and Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Singapore in 1991. He became a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators in 1997. He was appointed Senior Counsel in 1999.

Mr. Justice Fok was in private practice in Hong Kong from January 1987, and on a part-time *ad hoc* basis in Singapore between March 2002 and March 2006, until he joined the Judiciary as a Judge of the Court of First Instance of the High Court (“CFI Judge”) on 1 February 2010.

**4. Judicial Experience**

Mr. Justice Fok was appointed a Recorder of the Court of First Instance of the High Court from 2003 to 2009, before his appointment as a CFI Judge in February 2010. Mr. Justice Fok was appointed Justice of Appeal of the Court of Appeal of the High Court on 1 February 2011.

## **5. Services and Activities related to the Legal Field**

June 1998 – February 2002	Member, Subcommittee on Contracts for the Supply of Goods, Law Reform Commission
October 2001 – January 2010	Member, Civil Court Users' Committee
July 2002 – July 2005	Member, Inland Revenue Board of Review Panel
October 2005 – September 2010	Chairman, Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Appeal Board (Member from October 1999 to October 2005)
October 2006 – October 2010	Chairman, Occupational Retirement Schemes Appeal Board (Deputy Chairman from October 2005 to October 2006; Member from October 2004 to October 2005)
November 2006 – October 2012	Member, Subcommittee on Class Actions, Law Reform Commission
January 2008 – January 2010	Member, Witness Protection Review Board Panel
January 2008 – January 2010	Member, Operations Review Committee, Independent Commission Against Corruption
November 2008 – November 2010	Member, Telecommunications (Competition Provisions) Appeal Board
April 2009 – January 2010	Member, Civil Justice Reform Monitoring Committee
July 2010 –	Member, Committee on Information Technology

## 6. Publications

- (1) Hong Kong Law Reports & Digest (Pub. Sweet & Maxwell), Consultant Editor 1997 to present; Hong Kong Law Digest Yearbook, Consultant Editor 1994-1996; Hong Kong Law Yearbook, Consultant Editor 1989-1993;
- (2) Hong Kong Civil Procedure (Pub. Sweet & Maxwell), Contributing Editor 2001-2010 and Advisory Editor 2011 to present;
- (3) Hong Kong Cases (Pub. Butterworths Asia): Associate Editor for Series 1946-1994; and
- (4) Halsbury's Laws of Hong Kong, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition, 2011 (Pub. Lexis Nexis Butterworths): Member, Editorial Advisory Board.

## 7. Awards

Mr. Justice Fok was appointed Justice of the Peace under section 3(1)(b) of the Justices of the Peace Ordinance (Cap. 510) in July 2006.

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