

WEBINAR ON
The Common Law in Hong Kong:
What does it mean for business and what is its future?

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| Speaker: | The Hon Geoffrey Ma GBM, the former Chief Justice of Hong Kong |
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This session will cover:

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Much discussed and referred to, but often not fully appreciated, the operation of the common law in Hong Kong has relevance to all in the community and to all who carry on business here. The aim of the talk is to introduce those characteristics that make up the common law and discuss why they are important to business and how they fit into the framework of the People's Republic of China. While Hong Kong is of course a part of the PRC, one of the stated basic policies of the PRC regarding Hong Kong is that it remains a common law jurisdiction. And what of its future?

About the speaker:

The Hon Geoffrey Ma, the former Chief Justice of Hong Kong

The Hon Geoffrey Ma GBM is the former Chief Justice of Hong Kong, having retired from that position in January 2021. He is now a professional arbitrator and mediator.

Prior to joining the Hong Kong Judiciary, he was in private practice as a barrister at Temple Chambers. He practised mainly in commercial, company and public law, including arbitrations. He was Head of Chambers before his appointment as a Judge of the Court of First Instance of the High Court in 2001. He was elevated to the Court of Appeal in the following year, and appointed Chief Judge of the High Court in 2003. He served as the Chief Justice of the Court of Final Appeal from 2010 to 2021.

He is the Editor in Chief of Arbitration in Hong Kong: A Practical Guide (1st to 5th editions). He is also a member of the International Advisory Board of the Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre, on their Panels of Arbitrators and Mediators, and is also on the Panel of Arbitrators of the Singapore International Arbitration Centre. He is also a door tenant of Brick Court Chambers, London and has offices in Singapore.

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