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Practice Profile

Rachael has more than a decade of experience as an advocate specializing in criminal litigation. She has extensive experience in conducting trials both on her own and as a led junior in High Court, District Court and Magistrates' Courts.

During the period from 2017 to 2024, she has served as a deputy magistrate numerous times, presiding over trials covering a wide range of legal matters. In addition to handling general criminal cases, Rachael is also well-versed in managing departmental summonses related to construction site safety and other regulations. She has also been engaged to assist with handling witnesses and evidence in civil fraud cases.

Rachael distinguishes herself through her dedicated and patient communication with clients. This approach not only furthers their legal cases but also offers valuable support during challenging times.

Education

2018	MA in EU Competition Law (King's College London)
2017	Postgraduate Diploma in EU Competition Law (King's College London)
2009	PCLL (HKU)
2008	LLB (HKU)

Qualifications

2023	Solicitor of England and Wales (Non-practising)
2019	Lawyer of the Supreme Court of New South Wales, Australia (Non-practising)
2018	Hong Kong Institute of Arbitrators Fellow
2014	HKMAAL Accredited General Mediator

Recent Cases

Court of First Instance – recent trials

HKSAR v. WANG, HCCC 79/2019

(representing a defendant in the jury trial of the charge “handling stolen good” which stems from an armed robbery)

HKSAR v. L.C.L & Others, [2021] HKCFI 2818, HCCC 126/2020

(representing the 5th defendant in the jury trial of the charge “conspiracy to pervert the course of public justice”)

HKSAR v. YING, [2020] HKCFI 909, HCCC 244/2019

(representing the defendant in the jury trial of the charge “trafficking in a dangerous drug”)

Diagor Bioscience Incorporation Ltd and Another v Zendex Bio Strategy Incorporated and Others [2021] HKCFI 146; [2022] HKCA 1636

(representing the Plaintiffs, involving breach of director’s fiduciary duties, civil fraud)

District Court – recent trials

HKSAR v. LEE, [2024] HKDC 335, DCCC 763/2022

(prosecute on fiat in the trial of the charge “money laundering”)

HKSAR v. HO & Others, [2024] HKDC 296, DCCC 313 & 573/2021 (Consolidated)

(representing a defendant in the trial of the charges “riot” and “doing an act tending and intended to pervert the course of public justice”)

HKSAR v. LO & others, [2023] HKDC 798, DCCC 443, 456 & 656/2021 (Consolidated)

(representing a defendant in the trial of the charge “riot”)

HKSAR v. CHAN & others, [2022] HKDC 1296, DCCC 650, 651, 653, 654, 655 & 658/2020 (Consolidated)

(representing a defendant in the trial of the charge “unlawful assembly”)

Magistrates’ Courts – recent trials

HKSAR v. Hien Lee Engineering Co. Ltd., ESS 37582 – 83, 87, 89 – 91/2022

HKSAR v. Hien Lee Engineering Co. Ltd., ESS 562 – 569/2022

HKSAR v. Hien Lee Engineering Co. Ltd., ESS 35999 – 36004/2021

HKSAR v. Hien Lee Engineering Co. Ltd., FLS 4189 – 4192/2021

(representing the defendant in various trials of industrial summons in relation to occupational safety in construction sites)

HKSAR v. KANG, WKCC 696/2022

(representing the defendant in the trial of the charge “common assault” in a domestic setting)

Advisory Work

Advice on various blackmail victims in the matter of delicate personal relationships; some cases involve doxing and/or threat of doxing

Appointments

Judicial Appointments

Deputy Magistrate 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2024

Hong Kong Bar Association

Member, Bar Council 2021 – 2024

Chairman, Standing Committee on Welfare & Sports 2018 – 2020

Consumer Council

Council Member 2024

Co-opted Member, Legal Protection Committee 2019 – 2023

Appeal Tribunal Panel (Buildings)

Chairman Dec 2024 – Nov 2027

Registration of Persons Tribunal

Adjudicator (appointed in 2025)

Publications

2014 “Examination-in-Chief, Cross-Examination, Re-Examination – Evidence obtained from witnesses”, *Discussion of Civil and Commercial Law by Hong Kong Barristers*

Scholarships / Awards

2010 Middle Temple Society Advocacy Scholarship
2004 HKU Foundation Entrance Scholarship

Languages

Fluent in Cantonese, English, Putonghua