

# LUCAS LAU

**BARRISTER-AT-LAW**

**MCI Arb**

**HKMAAL ACCREDITED MEDIATOR**

## Year of Call

2019 Barrister (Hong Kong)

## Practice Areas

- Appellate Law (Civil and Criminal)
- Arbitration
- Commercial Law
- Company & Insolvency
- Criminal Law
- Death Inquests
- Defamation Law
- Employment Law
- Family Law
- Intellectual Property
- Land & Property Law
- Mediation
- Medical Negligence
- Tort & Personal Injuries

## Academic Qualifications

- 2022, LLM, Columbia University, USA
- 2021, LLM (Corporate Law) (Merit), University College London, UK
- 2017, LLB (Hons), University of Warwick, UK
- 2013, Wellington College, UK
- 2011, La Salle College, HK

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## Background

Lucas was called to the Bar in early 2019 after completing pupillage with Mr. Peter Duncan SC, Mr. Alan Ng, Mr. Osmond Lam and Mr. Walker Sham. He obtained his Master of Laws at Columbia University, Master of Laws in Corporate Law at University College London and Bachelor of Laws at University of Warwick.

Lucas' civil practice focuses on commercial disputes and personal injuries. Bolstered with two Masters degrees in corporate law, he acts for financial institutions and insurance companies to handle contractual and shareholders disputes, and advises on corporate governance. He also advises on medical negligence litigation and appears at Coroner's Court to inquire into the causes of death. He is an arbitrator and mediator accredited by MCI Arb and HKMAAL respectively.

Lucas' criminal practice involves commercial crime and organised crime. He acts for multinational corporations to defend against white-collar crimes, and advises on market misconduct and regulatory compliance. He has also prosecuted for the Department of Justice.

Lucas acted for notable clients, including The Hon. Alice Mak, SBS, BBS, JP, The Hon. Kwok Wai-keung, JP, The Hon. Leung Yiu-chung and Mr. Cheung Kim-hung (former CEO of Apply Daily).

Lucas is also passionate about community service. He is a Committee Member of HKSAR Government Tokwawan Area Committee advising on matters of public interest and public funds, and a School Manager of Hong Kong Catholic Diocesan Kindergartens supervising all the 17 Catholic kindergartens in Hong Kong.

## Memberships & Accreditation

- 2023 to Present, Hong Kong Catholic Diocesan Kindergartens (天主教香港教區幼稚園中央校董會), School Manager (校董)
- 2023 to Present, Cho Yiu Catholic Primary School, School Manager
- 2023 to Present, S.T.F.A. Leung Kit Wah Primary School, School Manager
- 2022 to Present, Vis East Moot Competition, Member of the judging panel
- 2022 to Present, The Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, Member (MCI Arb)
- 2021 to Present, Hong Kong Mediation Accreditation Association Limited (HKMAAL), Accredited Mediator
- 2021 to Present, Kowloon City District Resident Association, Honorary Legal Advisor
- 2020 to Present, HKSAR Government Tokwawan Area Committee (香港特別行政區政府土瓜灣分區委員會), Committee Member
- 2020, Hong Kong College of Technology, Guest Speaker
- 2019 to 2021, HKSAR Government Kowloon City District Youth Programme Committee, Committee Member
- 2013 to 2017, Oxford University Press, UK, Student Law Panel
- 2013 to 2017, Pearson Education, UK, Student Law Panel

## Scholarships & Prizes

### Columbia University, USA (2022)

- Parker School Recognition of Achievement

### The Bank of England and The Times, UK (2012)

- Champion of Economics Presentation Competition

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## Languages Spoken

- English
- Cantonese
- Mandarin

## Scholarships & Prizes (Cont.)

### Wellington College, Berkshire, UK (2011)

- Top Academic Scholarship

### Harvard University Alumni (2011)

- First Place of Harvard Book Prize

## Notable Cases

### Civil

#### Commercial

- *China Oil Gangran Energy Group Holdings Ltd. (Stock code: 8132), HCCW 120/2019*
  - Defended against a winding-up petition
- *Credit One Finance Ltd. v Leong Wun Heng (HCA 2917/2015)*
  - HK\$3M money lending
- *Everest Links (PTE.) Ltd. v Allegens Chemie Co., Ltd., DCCJ 698/2020*
  - Civil fraud
- *Field Finance Ltd. v Cheung Mo Ching (HCA 2818/2018)*
  - HK\$2M money lending
- *Grupo American Industries, S.A. de C.V. v Big Kinghill HK Trade Ltd. and others (HCA 947/2021)*
  - HK\$12M money had and received
- *Heinz-Glas International GMBH v Zeng Zhimin and others (HCA 606/2015)*
  - HK\$83M money had and received
- *Huang Jiajian and others v Kung Hing Chii and others (HCA 805/2019)*
  - HK\$30M contractual claim
- *Kingston Finance Ltd. v Zhang Yang & So Chi Keung, HCA 2627/2018*
  - HK\$66M contractual dispute
- *Sino Energy International Holdings Group Ltd. (Stock code: 1096), HCCW 183/2019*
  - Defended against a winding-up petition
- *Trans Era Ltd. v Kinglong Group Co., Ltd (HCA 1540/2021)*
  - HK\$1M dispute on commercial tenancy
- *Wing Go Construction Ltd. v Entente Contractor Company Ltd., HCA 1616/2021*
  - HK\$35M contractual dispute
- *Wynn Resorts (Macau) S.A. v Lin Chun Yan, HCA 659/2023*
  - HK\$40M contractual dispute

#### Defamation

- *Mak Mei Kuen Alice v Wong Wai Yin Zachary and Chu Hoi Dick (HCA 1528/2019)*
  - a defamation case against a member of Legislative Council: successfully obtained declaration

#### Personal Injuries

- *Ching Kwong Fat v Fung Dini Chung Rickie and others (DCPI 2685/2017)*
  - HK\$0.2M PI claim arising from a traffic accident
- *Leung Kan Cheung v Regent Engineering (HK) Ltd. (HCPI 643/2018)*
  - HK\$3M PI claim arising from the course of employment
- *Li Chi Yin Jody v Kwan Chun Ning (DCPI 129/2021)*
  - HK\$1.8M PI claim arising from traffic accident
- *Lo Sam-kam, CCDI 286/2019*
  - Death inquest on a patient died after Percutaneous Coronary Intervention

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## Notable Cases (Cont.)

### Criminal

#### Commercial Offences

- *HKSAR v Can Build Management Ltd.* (ESS 13150-13155/2019)
  - failed to pay Labour Tribunal Award
- *HKSAR v Ng Ah Wai* (ESS 5575/2020)
  - failed to keep accounting records

#### Dishonesty Offences

- *HKSAR v Kwok Siu Fong* (DCCC 386/2019)
  - 7-day blackmail trial
- *HKSAR v Xu Kaixuan* (STCC 1615/2019)
  - false statements arising from sham marriage
- *HKSAR v Yeung Siu Tung* (KTS 16450/2021)
  - false statements arising from the application of public housing

#### Drugs Offences

- *HKSAR v Leung Parco, WKCC 700033/2022*
  - trafficking 3kg of methamphetamine
- *HKSAR v Ng Yung Kwan* (DCCC 9/2021)
  - successfully obtained plea bargain to change the charge into inhaling dangerous drugs

#### Physical Offences

- *HKSAR v Au Shuk Lam* (DCCC 788/2021)
  - grievous bodily harm
- *HKSAR v Chiu Wing-sin & others, DCCC 846-853/2022*
  - 6-day trial on child abuse
- *HKSAR v Kan Siu Kei* (KTCC 1592/2021)
  - fighting in public place

#### Public Order

- *HKSAR v Fan Kwok Wai & others* (ESCC 2514/2019)
  - obstructing conference held in Legislative Council
- *HKSAR v Lai Chee-ying and others* (WKCC 2379/2021)
  - endangering national security
- *HKSAR v Lau Wai-wing and others* (DCCC 23/2021)
  - 19-day trial on riot
- *HKSAR v Lee Wing-kei Kate and others* (DCCC 336&337/2020)
  - 35-day trial on riot
- *HKSAR v Lee Cheuk-yan and others* (DCCC 881/2020)
  - incitement to unlawful assembly
- *HKSAR v Mah Hau-man Herman and others* (DCCC 22/2021)
  - 30-day trial on riot

#### Road Traffic Offences

- *HKSAR v Kwok Wai Keung* (ESS 24464/2021)
  - careless driving: attending video conference while driving
- *HKSAR v Lai Chi Choi* (KCCC 963/2020)
  - dangerous driving causing grievous bodily harm