Ben T C CHAN

Barrister-at-law,

Arbitrator, Mediator, Adjudicator,

Chartered Civil Engineer, Chartered Quantity Surveyor,

Chartered Construction Manager

Master of Laws in Arbitration and Dispute Resolution

BEng, LLB, PCLL, LLM(Arb&DR), CEng, FICE, FRICS, FCIArb, MCIOB, FCInstCES, MHKIE, R.P.E., FHKIArb, Mediator (HKIAC & HKMAAL Accredited)



Key Experience:

Mr. Chan is a practising Barrister-at-law, Chartered Civil Engineer, Chartered Quantity Surveyor and Chartered Construction Manager. He specialises in construction, engineering, regulatory and property-related disputes.

Mr. Chan holds a Bachelor of Engineering degree, a Bachelor of Laws degree, a Postgraduate Certificate in Laws and a Master of Laws degree in Arbitration and Dispute Resolution from the University of Hong Kong. He is a Fellow Member of the Institution of Civil Engineers, the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors, the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and the Chartered Institution of Civil Engineering Surveyors, a Member of the Chartered Institute of Building, the Hong Kong Institution of Engineers, and a Registered Professional Engineer (Civil). He is also a Mediator accredited by Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre and Hong Kong Mediation Accreditation Association Limited. Mr. Chan has extensive practical experience in design, construction, quantity surveying, dispute resolution and legal matters. He has exceptional problem solving and analytical skills especially in commercial and contractual matters that require a sound technical understanding. He has worked on various forms of contracts and held senior positions in the construction industry.

Discipline / Expertise:

- Civil Engineering (Design, Construction, Programming and Quantum); and
- Law (Construction, Engineering, Regulatory and Property)



Career Summary:

2020 - Present: Barrister-at-law practising from 804A Chambers at Tower 1 Admiralty Centre

Specialises in construction, engineering, regulatory and property disputes

2016 - Present: Head of Commercial of Yau Lee Holdings 2014 - 2015: Commercial Manager (Legal) of Yau Lee Holdings

- Head of Commercial Department of Yau Lee Group
- Manage and check contract arrangements and documentation to and from the clients and sub-contractors
- Develop and manage project commercial strategy
- Manage risk and opportunities
- Supervise the pricing of major variations and extra works
- Present entitlement to the clients
- Prepare appropriate notifications, letters and additional contract documents
- Provide professional contractual and commercial advice to the project teams and senior management of the Group

2011 - 2014: Consultant then Senior Consultant of ADR Partnership

- Handled several foundation, building and civil engineering disputes valued in between HK\$100 million and HK\$500 million
- Worked on different forms of contracts (HKG, MTRC, Target Cost, HKIA, RICS, Bespoke, etc.)

- Provided independent opinion on engineering and quantum disputes
- Advised on construction contract interpretation and commercial management
- Provided support and strategic advice in negotiation, mediation, arbitration and litigation
- Prepared claims for delay and disruption including delay analysis and quantification
- Represented clients in negotiation and assisted negotiation meetings

2010 - 2011: Site Engineer (Production) of Dragages Hong Kong

Cruise Terminal Building and Ancillary Facilities for Kai Tak Cruise Terminal Development ArchSD Contract No. SS W303

- Managed sub-structures construction including all pile caps, ground floor and associated works (~HK\$100m)
- In charge of quality assurance on permanent works drawings
- Coordinated and advised on the Site Supervision Plan for the HKCTB

2009 - 2010: Design Engineer (Design) of Dragages Hong Kong

MTR West Island Line Project 703

- In charge of in-house design and coordination of all the minor temporary works
- Managed and coordinated with design consultants in major temporary works design
- Represented the JV to liaise with representatives of MTR and BD
- Checked the completion of both major and minor temporary works before use on site as a Deputy Temporary Works Coordinator appointed by the JV

Other Work Experience:

2009: Mini Pupil (Legal) of Cheng Huan S.C. Chambers

 Assisted Barrister-at-Law, Mr. FU Chong San, in carrying out criminal prosecution and defence. Offences related to construction industry were encountered.

2006 – 2009: PT Research Assistant of University of Hong Kong, Civil Engineering Department

- Carried out independent researches in rock mechanics and tunnel engineering, including "Fracture Toughness of Rock", "Permeability of Rocks with Cracks" and "Strength of Micro-fracturing Rocks" under the direct supervision of Professor L.G. Tham.
- Carried out special tri-axial tests on cored samples and draft an independent report on the proper grading of rock for a foundation design dispute between a property developer and the Building Department.

2008: Summer Trainee (Legal) of Tang, Wong & Chow, Solicitors

 Assisted solicitors in conducting legal research, drafting legal letters and meeting clients. Several construction disputes were encountered.

2007: Engineering Trainee of Victor Li & Associates

Developed a computer programme in MathCad utilizing different algorithms. It was aimed to minimize the costs
of stabilizing a slope while taking into account different stability factors.

2005: Mini Pupil (Legal) of Gary Soo's Chambers

Drafted arbitration panel decisions, inspect surveying reports and conduct legal research.

2005: Engineering Trainee of C M Wong & Associates

- Conducted structural surveys on thousands of existing balconies for the purpose of assessing the resources needed in making the relevant regulations by a sub-committee in the HK Legislative Council.
- Conducted surveys on hundreds of existing retaining walls for the research on the effect of unexpected growth of trees on their stability.

Academic Qualifications:

•	Master of Laws in Arbitration and Dispute Resolution	The University of Hong Kong, 2014
•	Postgraduate Certificate in Laws	The University of Hong Kong, 2011
•	Bachelor of Laws	The University of Hong Kong, 2009
•	Bachelor of Engineering in Civil Engineering (Law)	The University of Hong Kong, 2007

Professional Qualifications:

•	Barrister-at-law	High Court of Hong Kong, 2020
•	Adjudicator ¹	Hong Kong Institution of Engineers, 2016
•	Fellow	Institution of Civil Engineers, 2016
•	Fellow	Hong Kong Institute of Arbitrators, 2015
•	Listed Arbitrator	Hong Kong Institution of Engineers, 2015
•	Fellow	Chartered Institution of Civil Engineering Surveyors, 2015
•	Fellow	Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors, 2015
•	Chartered Construction Manager, Member	Chartered Institute of Building, 2015
•	Fellow	Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, 2014
•	Listed Mediator	Hong Kong Institution of Engineers, 2014
•	Chartered Quantity Surveyor, Member	Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors, 2014
•	Member	Hong Kong Institution of Engineers, 2013
•	Registered Professional Engineer (Civil)	Engineers Registration Board HKSAR, 2013
•	Accredited General Mediator	Hong Kong Mediation Accreditation Association Limited, 2013
•	Accredited General Mediator	Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre, 2013
•	Member	Chartered Institution of Civil Engineering Surveyors, 2013
•	Member	Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, 2012
•	Chartered Engineer	Engineering Council UK, 2011
•	Chartered Civil Engineer, Member	Institution of Civil Engineers, 2011

 $^{\rm l}$ Mr. CHAN passed the examination of the first HKIE Adjudication Training Course