

ABBREVIATED TERMS USED IN THIS REPORT

AAC	Arbitrators Admission Committee
ABA	American Bar Association
ABS	Alternative Business Structure
Academy	Hong Kong Academy of Law Limited
ACAN	Action Committee Against Narcotics
AEOI	Automatic Exchange of Information
AIJA	International Association of Young Lawyers
AJLS	Administration of Justice and Legal Services
AML	Anti-Money Laundering
AVD	Ad valorem stamp duty
Bar Association	Hong Kong Bar Association
BIP	Business of Intellectual Property
BO	Bankruptcy Ordinance
BSD	Buyer's Stamp Duty
BSPP	Business-School Partnership Programme
CAT	Convention Against Torture Claims and Refugee Law
CEE	Common Entrance Examination
CFA	Court of Final Appeal
CityU	City University of Hong Kong
CJR	Civil Justice Reform
CO	Competition Ordinance
Conduct Guide	The Hong Kong Solicitors' Guide to Professional Conduct (Volume 1, 2nd and 3rd editions)
CPD	Continuing Professional Development
CRC	Community Relations Committee
CUHK	The Chinese University of Hong Kong
DMC	Deed of Mutual Covenants
DOJ	Department of Justice
ECAS	Employee Compensation Assistance Scheme
Editorial Board	Hong Kong Lawyer Editorial Board
EOC	Equal Opportunities Commission
EPAs	Enduring Powers of Attorney
FDRC	Financial Dispute Resolution Centre
FSTB	Financial Services and the Treasury Bureau
FTA	Free Trade Agreements
GCLAC	Greater China Legal Affairs Committee
HAB	Home Affairs Bureau
HFA	Harbourfront Authority
HFC	Harbourfront Commission
HKCSS	The Hong Kong Council of Social Services
HKEJ	Hong Kong Economic Journal
HKIAC	Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre
HKMAAL	Hong Kong Mediation Accreditation Association Limited
HKMC	Hong Kong Mortgage Corporation Limited



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HKSAR	Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
HKSIF	Hong Kong Solicitors' Indemnity Fund
HKSIFL	Hong Kong Solicitors' Indemnity Fund Limited
HKTDC	Hong Kong Trade Development Council
HKU	The University of Hong Kong
HKU SPACE	The University of Hong Kong School of Professional and Continuing Education
HRA	Higher Rights of Audience
IBA	International Bar Association
ICAC	Independent Commission Against Corruption
ICCAC	International Council for Commercial Arbitration Congress
IHLs	In-House Lawyers
IHLC	In-House Lawyers Committee
IIA	Independent Insurance Authority
ILAC	International Legal Affairs Committee
INTA	International Trademark Association
IP	Intellectual Property
IPBA	The Inter-Pacific Bar Association
IPD	Intellectual Property Department
ISDA	International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc.
ITSP	Information Technology Strategy Plan
IVE	Hong Kong Institute of Vocational Education
JFBA	Japan Federation of Bar Association
JLCT	Joint Liaison Committee on Taxation
JMHO	Joint Mediation Helping Office
KBA	Korean Bar Association
LACO	Legal Advisory and Conveyancing Office
LASC	Legal Aid Services Council
LLP	Limited Liability Partnerships
LPO	Legal Practitioners Ordinance
LRC	Law Reform Commission
LTOSC	Land Title Ordinance Steering Committee
MFA	Ministry of Foreign Affairs
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
MPF	Mandatory Provident Fund
MPFA	Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Authority
NGO	Non-governmental organisation
NPCSC	National People's Congress Standing Committee
OLQE	Overseas Lawyers Qualification Examination
OLQE Rules	Overseas Lawyers (Qualification for Admission) Rules
OLY	Opening of Legal Year
ORO	Official Receiver's Office
PCLL	Postgraduate Certificate in Laws



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PCPD	Privacy Commissioner for Personal Data
PD	Practice Direction
PIS	Professional Indemnity Scheme
PMAC	Property Management Advisory Centre
POLA	Presidents of Law Association in Asia
PPC	Public Policy Committee
PRC	People's Republic of China
RME	Risk Management Education
SAR	Solicitors' Accounts Rules
SCEA	Standing Committee on External Affairs
SCLET	Standing Committee on Legal Education and Training
SDO	Sex Discrimination Ordinance
SME	Small and Medium-Sized Enterprise
SPI Rules	Solicitors (Professional Indemnity) Rules
SPR	Solicitors' Practice Rules
SSD	Special Stamp Duty
* The Law Society	The Law Society of Hong Kong
The Tribunal Convenor	The Tribunal Convenor of Solicitors Disciplinary Tribunal Panel
TVB	Television Broadcasts Limited
TWGH	Tung Wah Group of Hospitals
UIA	Union Internationale des Avocats
YBA	Yangon Bar Association
YCPG	Young Coalition Professional Group
YPR	Young Partners' Roundtable
YSG	Young Solicitors' Group

* Except for the Council's Report and the Independent Auditor's Report when The Law Society of Hong Kong was referred to as "The Society" from page 4 to 6 and from page 193 to 217.