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**CAPSULE BIOGRAPHY**

Adeline Chong has published in leading peer-reviewed journals such as *Law Quarterly Review*, *International and Comparative Law Quarterly*, *Lloyd's Maritime and Commercial Law Quarterly* and *Journal of Private International Law*. She is the co-author of Chong and Yip, *Singapore Private International Law: Commercial Issues and Practice* (Oxford, OUP, 2023) and Hill and Chong, *International Commercial Disputes: Commercial Conflict of Laws in English Courts* (Oxford, Hart Publishing, 4<sup>th</sup> edn, 2010). She was the Project Lead of the Asian Business Law Institute's project on the *Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Judgments in Asia*. Her work has been cited by appellate courts in Singapore, Hong Kong, India, New South Wales and New Zealand, the UK Law Commission, the Permanent Bureau of the Hague Conference on Private International Law as well as in leading texts on conflict of laws such as *Dicey, Morris and Collins on the Conflict of Laws* (15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> editions).

She is an editor of Hart's *Studies in Private International Law – Asia* book series, and a member of the editorial boards of *Journal of Private International Law*, *Asian Journal of Comparative Law*, *Chinese Journal of Transnational Law* and the blog *Conflictoflaws.net: Views and News on Private International Law*. She has delivered keynote addresses for the Asian Private International Law Academy and the Hague Conference on Private International Law, Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific. She has also been invited to present papers by, inter alia, British Association of Canadian Studies, British Institute of International and Comparative Law, Chinese University of Hong Kong, Hague Conference on Private International Law, Kyushu University and University of Sydney. She was a visiting foreign expert at Wuhan University Academy of International Law and Global Governance in 2025. She delivered a Special Course at the Hague Academy of International Law in 2025 and taught in one of the Academy's external courses for ASEAN judiciaries in 2026. She has conducted courses for the Attorney-General Chambers of Malaysia and delivered Continuing Professional Development Talks for Singapore's Attorney-General Chamber's Academy and the Law Society of Singapore. She has been appointed as an expert on Singapore law for litigation abroad. She was awarded the 2013 School of Law Research Excellence Award and was appointed as a Lee Kong Chian Fellow (awarded for research excellence) in 2015 and 2023. She was a recipient of the School of Law's Dean's Teaching Excellence Award in 2016, 2018 and 2020.

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## EMPLOYMENT

July 2025- present Associate Dean (Faculty Matters), Yong Pung How School of Law, SMU  
Jan 2012- present Associate Professor (tenured), Yong Pung How School of Law, SMU  
Nov 2007-Dec 2011 Assistant Professor, School of Law, SMU  
Jan 2004- Oct 2007 Lecturer, School of Law, University of Nottingham  
2002/03 and 2001/02 Part-time tutor, School of Law, University of Nottingham

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## EDUCATION

Ph.D, University of Nottingham (2005) (passed without requiring corrections)

LL.B (First Class Honours), University of Birmingham (2000)

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## PUBLICATIONS

### Books

#### *Authored*

1. Adeline Chong and Man Yip, *Singapore Private International Law: Commercial Issues and Practice*, Oxford Private International Law Series (Oxford, OUP, 2023) (544 pages)

#### Cited in:

- *Cooperativa Muratori and Cementisti – CMC di Ravenna, Italy v Department of Water Supply & Sewerage Management, Kathmandu* [2025] SGHC(l) 16 at [21] and [22] (Singapore International Commercial Court)

2. Jonathan Hill and Adeline Chong, *International Commercial Disputes: Commercial Conflict of Laws in English Courts* (Oxford, Hart Publishing, 4<sup>th</sup> edition, 2010) (895 pages)

#### Cited in:

- *The Republic of the Philippines v Maler Foundation* [2013] SGCA 66; [2014] 1 SLR 1389 at [53] (Singapore Court of Appeal)
- *Giant Light Metal Technology (Kunshan) Co Ltd v Aksa Far East Pte Ltd* [2014] SGHC 16; [2014] 2 SLR 545 at [24] and [61] (General Division of the Singapore High Court)
- *PT Sandipala Arthaputra v STMICROELECTRONICS ASIA PACIFIC PTE LTD* [2015] SGHC 245; [2015] 5 SLR 873 at [81] (General Division of the Singapore High Court)
- *Burt v Yiannakis* [2015] NZHC 1174 at [67] (fn 51) (High Court of New Zealand)

#### *Edited*

3. Adeline Chong (ed), *Asian Principles for the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Judgments*, ABLI Legal Convergence Series (Singapore, ABLI, 2020) (187 pages)
  - Cited in *Merck Sharp & Dohme Corp v Merck KGaA* [2021] SGCA 14; [2021] 1 SLR 1102 at [39] (Singapore Court of Appeal)
  - Reviewed: Elbalti [2021] *Singapore Journal of Legal Studies* 267  
Gibb (2022) 17 *Asian Journal of Comparative Law* 372  
Okoli (2022) 18 *Journal of Private International Law* 522
4. Adeline Chong (ed), *Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Judgments in Asia*, ABLI Legal Convergence Series (Singapore, ABLI, 2017) (229 pages)
  - Translated into Chinese: 张瑞苓 (ed), 外国判决在亚洲的承认与执行 (法律出版社 Law Press China, 2020) (translated by 郭玉军等 Guo Yujun and others)
  - Reviewed: Okoli (2022) 18 *Journal of Private International Law* 522

#### Journal Articles

5. Adeline Chong, 'The Role of the *Lex Situs* in Trusts Choice of Law' (*Journal of Equity*, forthcoming)
6. Adeline Chong, [“Salami-Slicing and Issue Estoppel: Foreign Decisions on the Governing Law”](#) (2025) 74 *International and Comparative Law Quarterly* 875-903  
Cited in:
  - *Nagaraj V. Mylandia v PI Opportunities Fund-I* [2026] INSC 298 at [63]-[64] (Supreme Court of India)
7. Adeline Chong and Stefanie Schacherer, 'Extra-territorial Liability and Enforcement: Finding Ways to Tackle Haze Pollution in Southeast Asia' (2025) 2 *Chinese Journal of Transnational Law* 198-220 (Special Issue: Private International Law and Sustainable Development in Asia) (invited contribution; lead author)
  - Editors of the Special Issue: Ralf Michaels (Director, Max-Planck Institute for Comparative and International Private Law), Verónica Ruiz Abou-Nigm (University of Edinburgh) and Hans van Loon (former Secretary-General, Hague Conference on Private International Law)
8. Adeline Chong, [“Asian” Principles for the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Judgments? Singapore as a Case Study](#)' (2024) 58 *Korean Journal of International and Comparative Law* 57-72 (Special Issue: ILA-Korea's 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Conference on Private International Law) (invited contribution)

9. Adeline Chong, '[Characterisation and Choice of Law for Knowing Receipt](#)' (2023) 72 *International and Comparative Law Quarterly* 147-177
10. Adeline Chong, '[Moving Towards Harmonisation in the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Judgment Rules in Asia](#)' (2020) 16 *Journal of Private International Law* 31-68
11. Adeline Chong and Man Yip, '[Singapore as a Centre for International Commercial Litigation: Party Autonomy to the Fore](#)' (2019) 15 *Journal of Private International Law* 97-129
12. Adeline Chong, '[Recognition of Foreign Judgments and Cross-Border Insolvencies](#)' [2014] *Lloyd's Maritime and Commercial Law Quarterly* 241-268
13. Adeline Chong, '[Transnational Public Policy in Civil and Commercial Matters](#)' (2012) 128 *Law Quarterly Review* 88-113
14. Adeline Chong, '[Choice of Law for Unjust Enrichment/Restitution and the Rome II Regulation](#)' (2008) 57 *International and Comparative Law Quarterly* 863-898
15. Adeline Chong, '[The Public Policy and Mandatory Rules of Third Countries in International Contracts](#)' (2006) 2 *Journal of Private International Law* 27-70
16. Adeline Chong, '[The Common Law Choice of Law Rules for Resulting and Constructive Trusts](#)' (2005) 54 *International and Comparative Law Quarterly* 855-884

Cited in:

- *Takako Murakami v Wiryadi* [2008] SGCA 44; [2009] 1 SLR(R) 508 at [21] (Singapore Court of Appeal)
- *Murakami v Wiryadi & Ors* [2010] NSWCA 7; (2010) 268 ALR 377; (2010) 109 NSWLR 39 at [146] (New South Wales Court of Appeal, Australia)
- *First Laser Ltd v Fujian Enterprises (Holdings) Co Ltd* [2011] HKCU 30; [2011] 2 HKC 240; [2011] 2 HKLRD 45 at [76.11] (Hong Kong Court of Appeal)
- *Schumacher v Summergrove Estates Ltd* [2014] NZCA 412; [2014] 3 NZLR 599; [2014] NZFLR 874 at [37] (fn 27, 28 and 30) (New Zealand Court of Appeal)
- *Burt v Yiannakis* [2015] NZHC 1174; [2015] NZFLR 739; [2015] BCL 275 at [70] (High Court Auckland, New Zealand)
- *Perry, Tamar and another v Esculier, Bonnet Servane Michele Thais and another* [2022] SGHC(I) 10; [2022] 4 SLR 243 at [108] (Singapore International Commercial Court)
- *Kuswandi Sudarga v Suntatno Sudarga* [2022] SGHC 299 at [65] (General Division of the Singapore High Court)

Case Notes

17. Adeline Chong, '[Choice of Law for Formation of Contracts: \*Solomon Lew v Kaikhushru Shiavax Nargolwala\*](#)' [2021] *Singapore Journal of Legal Studies* 383-393
18. Adeline Chong, Case commentary on *Giant Light Metal Technology (Kunshan) Co Ltd v Aksa Far East Pte Ltd* [2014] 2 SLR 545 in *A Compendium of Singapore-China International Commercial Cases Curated for their Relevance to the Belt and Road Initiative, Vol I* (Law Press China/ LexisNexis, 2020), 394-402 (invited contribution)
19. Adeline Chong, '[The "Party Scope" of Exclusive Jurisdiction Clauses](#)' [2011] *Lloyd's Maritime and Commercial Law Quarterly* 470-477
20. Adeline Chong, '[Void Contracts and the Applicability of Choice of Law Clauses to Consequential Restitutory Claims: \*CIMB Bank Bhd v Dresdner Kleinwort Ltd\* \[2008\] 4 SLR 543](#)' (2009) 21 *Singapore Academy of Law Journal* 545-556
  - Cited in *PT Selecta Bestama v Sin Huat Huat Marine Transportation Pte Ltd* [2015] SGHC 295; [2016] 1 SLR 729 at [40] (General Division of the Singapore High Court)

#### Book Chapters

21. Adeline Chong and Marcus Teo, 'Enforcing Foreign Environmental Judgments in Asia' in Yip Man, Elizabeth Wu and Yeo Tiong Min (eds), *Environment, Corporations and Private International Law in Asia* (Oxford, Hart Publishing) (invited contribution) (forthcoming)
22. Adeline Chong, 'Perspectives for ASEAN' in Matthias Weller, João Ribeiro-Bidaoui, Moritz Brinkmann & Nina Dethloff (eds), *The HCCH 2019 Judgments Convention: Cornerstones, Prospects, Outlook* (Oxford, Hart Publishing, 2023) 259-279 (invited contribution)
23. Adeline Chong and Jan Lüttringhaus '[Unjust\(ified\) Enrichment](#)' in Paul Beaumont and Jayne Holliday (eds), *Guide to Global Private International Law*, Hart Studies in Private International Law, (Oxford, Hart Publishing, 2022) 281-293 (invited contribution; lead-author)
24. Adeline Chong, '[Bridging the Common Law- Civil Law Divide? The Convention on the Law Applicable to Trusts and their Recognition](#)' in Thomas John, Rishi Gulati and Ben Köhler (eds), *Elgar Companion on the Hague Conference on Private International Law* (Cheltenham, Elgar, 2020) 323-335 (invited contribution)
25. Adeline Chong, 'Introduction' in Adeline Chong (ed), *Asian Principles for the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Judgments*, ABLI Legal Convergence Series (Singapore, ABLI, 2020) xi-xx

26. Adeline Chong, '[General Principle](#)' in Adeline Chong (ed), *Asian Principles for the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Judgments*, ABLI Legal Convergence Series (Singapore, ABLI, 2020) 1-17
27. Adeline Chong, 'Jurisdiction of the Court' in Adeline Chong (ed), *Asian Principles for the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Judgments*, ABLI Legal Convergence Series (Singapore, ABLI, 2020) 18-39
28. Narinder Singh and Adeline Chong, 'In rem Judgments' in Adeline Chong (ed), *Asian Principles for the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Judgments*, ABLI Legal Convergence Series (Singapore, ABLI, 2020) 174-184
29. Adeline Chong, '[Singapore: A Mix of Traditional and New Rules](#)' in Mary Keyes (ed), *Optional Choice of Court Agreements in Private International Law*, Vol 37, *Ius Comparatum – Global Studies in Comparative Law* (Switzerland, Springer Cham, 2019) 325-346
30. Adeline Chong, '[Introduction](#)' in Adeline Chong (ed), *Recognition & Enforcement of Foreign Judgments in Asia*, ABLI Legal Convergence Series (Singapore, ABLI, 2017) 1-5
  - Translated into Chinese: 张瑞苓, 导论 in 张瑞苓 (ed), 外国判决在亚洲的承认与执行 (法律出版社 Law Press China, 2020) (translated by 郭玉军等 Guo Yujun and others) 1-4.
31. Adeline Chong, '[Singapore](#)' in Adeline Chong (ed), *Recognition & Enforcement of Foreign Judgments in Asia*, ABLI Legal Convergence Series (Singapore, ABLI, 2017) 163-178
  - Cited in *Merck v Merck* [2019] SGHC 231 at [18] (General Division of the Singapore High Court)
  - Translated into Chinese: 张瑞苓, 新加坡 in 张瑞苓 (ed), 外国判决在亚洲的承认与执行 (法律出版社 Law Press China, 2020) (translated by 郭玉军等 Guo Yujun and others) 113-124
32. Adeline Chong, 'Division VI: Conflict of Laws' in CJ Miller (ed), *Miller's Product Liability Encyclopaedia* (London, LexisNexis, 2014) (total of 11 chapters) (looseleaf publication)
33. Elsabe Schoeman and Adeline Chong, '[A View from Australia's Regional Partners- Recent Developments in New Zealand and Singapore](#)' in Andrew Dickinson and Mary Keyes (eds), *Facing Outwards: Australian Private International Law for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century* (Oxford, Hart Publishing, 2014) 191- 224
34. Adeline Chong, 'Conflict of Laws' in Tang Hang Wu, Michael Hor and Nicholas Poon (eds), *Reading Law in Singapore* (Singapore, LexisNexis, 2<sup>nd</sup> edn, 2014) 193-201

35. Adeline Chong, '[State Immunity and Breaches of Human Rights](#)' in Parlius Jurčys, Poul F Kjaer and Ren Yatsunami (eds), *Regulatory Hybridization in the Transnational Sphere*, Developments in International Law (Leiden, Brill/Nijhoff, 2013) 223-242
36. Adeline Chong, 'Division VI: Conflict of Laws' in CJ Miller (ed), *Miller's Product Liability Encyclopaedia* (London, LexisNexis, 2012) (total of 11 chapters) (looseleaf publication)
37. Adeline Chong, '[Choice of Law for Void Contracts and Their Restitutionary Aftermath: The Putative Governing Law of the Contract](#)' in Paula Giliker (ed), *Re-examining Contract and Unjust Enrichment* (Leiden, Martinus Nijhoff, 2007) 155-181

#### Others (selected)

38. Adeline Chong, [Anti-Suit Injunctions and Dispute Resolution Clauses](#), *Conflictoflaws.net: Views and News in Private International Law*, 25 March 2025
39. Adeline Chong, [Application of Singapore's new rules on service out of jurisdiction: Three Arrows Capital and NW Corp](#), *Conflictoflaws.net: Views and News in Private International Law*, 26 April 2024
40. Adeline Chong, [Hague Service Convention Enters into Force in Singapore](#), *Conflictoflaws.net: Views and News in Private International Law*, 4 December 2023
41. Adeline Chong, [Repeal of the RECJA and transfer of countries to the REFJA](#), *Conflictoflaws.net: Views and News in Private International Law*, 27 February 2023
42. Adeline Chong, [New civil procedure rules in Singapore](#), *Conflictoflaws.net: Views and News in Private International Law*, 15 December 2021
43. Adeline Chong, [Fraud and foreign judgments under Singapore law](#), *Conflictoflaws.net: Views and News in Private International Law*, 8 October 2020
44. Adeline Chong, [Jurisdiction in relation to hostile trust litigation](#), *Conflictoflaws.net: Views and News in Private International Law*, 21 July 2020
45. Adeline Chong, [Mareva injunctions in support of foreign proceedings](#), *Conflictoflaws.net: Views and News in Private International Law*, 4 March 2020
46. Adeline Chong, [Reform of Singapore's foreign judgment rules](#), *Conflictoflaws.net: Views and News in Private International Law*, 17 October 2019
47. [Views and News from the 8<sup>th</sup> Journal of Private International Law Conference 2019 in Munich](#), *Conflictoflaws.net: Views and News in Private International Law*, 16 Sept 2019 (joint-post)

48. Adeline Chong, [Singapore Convention on Mediation](#), *Conflictlaws.net: Views and News in Private International Law*, 7 August 2019
49. Adeline Chong, [IM Skaugen SE v MAN Diesel & Turbo SE \[2018\] SGHC 123](#), *Conflictlaws.net: Views and News in Private International Law*, 15 August 2018
50. Adeline Chong, Singapore – Mareva relief in aid of foreign proceedings (*PT Gunung Madu Plantations v Muhammad Jimmy Goh Mashun*), LexisNexis PSL Dispute Resolution, 5 July 2018
51. Adeline Chong, [Mareva injunctions under Singapore law](#), *Conflictlaws.net: Views and News in Private International Law*, 21 June 2018

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## WORKS IN PROGRESS

1. *Restitution in Private International Law*, Oxford Private International Law Series (under contract with OUP)
2. Express, Resulting and Constructive Trusts in Private International Law (to be published in the *Recueil des Cours*, Collected Courses of the Hague Academy of International Law)

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## RESEARCH GRANTS

1. Hong Kong SAR Public Policy Research Funding Scheme, 'The Impact of Digitalisation on Legal Rules Concerning Cross-Border Interactions and Commercial Dealings – Supporting the Role of Hong Kong as a Centre for International Dispute Resolution Services', Nov 2025 – Nov 2026 (HKD 454,710) (co-investigator) [on-going]
2. Asian Business Law Institute grant, 'Convergence in International Civil Procedure: The Harmonisation of the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Judgment Rules in ASEAN, Australia, China, India, Japan and South Korea', Jan 2016 – Sept 2020 (SGD 82,700) (lead investigator) [completed]
3. Singapore Judicial College Empirical Research Grant, 'New Developments in Private International Law: The Singapore International Commercial Court', Jan 2016 – Oct 2017 (SGD 6,732) (co-investigator) [completed]
4. SMU Internal Grant- Specialised Database Funding, 2016 – present (SGD 3,900 p.a.) [on-going]
5. SMU Internal Research Grant, 'Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Judgments in International Insolvencies', Nov 2012 – Apr 2014 (SGD 16,430) [completed]

6. SMU Internal Research Grant, 'The inter-relationship between private international law and public international law' (principal investigator) Nov 2008 – Nov 2010 (SGD 14,528) [completed]
7. British Academy Overseas Conference Grant, 2006 (£800) (to attend the *Law of Obligations III Conference*, University of Queensland, July 2006) [completed]
8. University of Nottingham Humanities Research Centre Overseas Conference Grant (£350) (to attend the *Law of Obligations III Conference*, University of Queensland, July 2006) [completed]

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## CONFERENCE ETC ORGANISATION

1. *9th Journal of Private International Law Conference*, Singapore Management University, 3 August to 5 August 2023
2. *Journal of Private International Law – Singapore Management University Virtual Conference on Conflicts of Jurisdiction*, online, 23 to 24 June 2022 (jointly organized with the editors of the JPrivIntL; supported by the Hague Conference on Private International Law)
3. *Asian Business Law Institute Foreign Judgments Project: Phase 2 Workshop*, Supreme Court, Singapore, 12 October 2018
4. *4th Asia Pacific Journal of Private International Law Colloquium*, Singapore Management University, 28 November 2014

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## ACADEMIC/PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

1. 'Extra-territorial Liability and Enforcement: Finding Ways to Tackle Haze Pollution in Southeast Asia', *Chinese Journal of Transnational Law Second Anniversary Webinar: Law Across Borders: Foreign Relations, Business Compliance, and Sustainable Development*, 16 October 2025 (invited)
2. 'Proprietary Restitution: Characterisation and Choice of Law', *Journal of Private International Law 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Conference*, University College London, London, UK, 12 September 2025 (plenary session)
3. 'The Role of the *Lex Situs* in Trusts Choice of Law', *Journal of Equity Conference 2025*, Sydney, Australia, 21 August 2025 (invited)
4. 'Enforcing Foreign Environmental Judgments in Asia' (with Marcus Teo), *Symposium: Environment, Corporations and Private International Law in Asia*, Yong Pung How School of Law, Singapore Management University, Singapore, 6 February 2025 (invited)

5. 'Extra-territorial Liability and Enforcement: Finding Ways to Tackle Haze Pollution in Southeast Asia' (with Stefanie Schacherer), *Private International Law and Sustainable Development in Asia*, Wuhan University Academy of International Law and Global Governance, Wuhan, China, 23 November 2024 (invited)
6. "'Asian" Principles for the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Judgments? Singapore as a Case Study', *The Asian Century: Fact or Fiction?*, ILA-Korea, Seoul, South Korea, 11 June 2024 (invited)
7. 'Application of the Choice of Court Convention in Singapore', *HCCH 2005 Choice of Court Convention: Fostering Access to Justice for Cross-Border Commerce in the Asia Pacific Region*, HCCH Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific, online, 22 March 2024 (invited; **1<sup>st</sup> keynote speaker**)
8. 'Regional Perspectives on the 1985 Trusts Convention', *HCCH Asia Pacific Week 2023*, University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong SAR, 13 September 2023 (invited)
9. 'Perspectives for ASEAN', *The HCCH 2019 Judgments Convention: Cornerstones – Prospects – Outlook*, Universität Bonn, Germany, 10 June 2023 (invited)
10. 'Private International Law and Differences between Common Law and Civil Law Concepts', *Asian Private International Law Academy Conference 2022*, Doshisha University, Kyoto, Japan, 11 December 2022 (invited; **2<sup>nd</sup> keynote speaker**)
11. 'Trends in Jurisprudence Interpreting the Trusts Convention', HCCH Trusts Convention Track, *Conference on Commercial, Digital and Financial Law*, Hague Conference on Private International Law, online, 14 Sept 2022 (invited)
12. 'Principles for the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Judgments', *Asia-Europe Law and Business Symposium*, Singapore Academy of Law and French Embassy Singapore, online, 26 May 2022 (invited; panel discussant)
13. 'The Asian Principles for the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Judgments', *Cross-Border Legal Issues Dialogue*, Centre for Comparative and Transnational Law, Chinese University of Hong Kong, online, 25 February 2022 (invited)
14. 'Asia-Pacific Commercial Dispute Resolution in the Aftermath of the Pandemic', The Centre for Asia and Pacific Law, University of Sydney, online, 12 March 2021 (invited)
15. 'International commercial courts – the next frontier in international dispute resolution or the latest trend', *Singapore International Commercial Court Symposium 2021*, online, 10 March 2021 (invited)

16. *Specialist Insight Series: Unravelling the Mysteries of the Law of Assignment*, Singapore Academy of Law, online, 15 April 2020 (moderator of panel discussion)
17. 'Harmonisation of the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Judgment Rules in Asia', *8<sup>th</sup> Journal of Private International Law Conference 2019*, Ludwig Maximilian University Munich, Germany, 13 Sept 2019 (plenary session)
18. 'Enforcing the Judgments: Convergence of Asian Business Laws to Facilitate Certainty for Investment and Trade', *The Big Deal: Managing Disputes in Asia- A Series of Seminars on Effective Dispute-Management and Business*, Maxwell Chambers, Singapore, 5 August 2019 (invited; panel discussant)
19. 'Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Judgments in Asia', The Law Society of Singapore, Continuing Professional Development Talk, Singapore, 8 April 2019 (invited)
20. 'Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Judgments in ASEAN, Australia, China, India, Japan and South Korea', ABLI Lunch Session, *20<sup>th</sup> Congress of the International Academy of Comparative Law 2018*, Fukuoka, Japan, 27 July 2018
21. 'Optional Choice of Court Agreements: Singapore', *20<sup>th</sup> Congress of the International Academy of Comparative Law 2018*, Fukuoka, Japan, 27 July 2018
22. 'Singapore as a Centre for International Commercial Litigation: Party Autonomy to the Fore', *15<sup>th</sup> Asian Law Institute Conference 2018*, Seoul National University, Republic of Korea, 10 May 2018
23. Update on Asian Business Law Institute project titled 'Convergence in International Civil Procedure: The Harmonisation of the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Judgment Rules in ASEAN, Australia, China, India, Japan and South Korea', *Singapore International Commercial Court Conference 2018*, 10 Jan 2018 (presentation before the judges of the SICC; invited)
24. 'Singapore as a Centre for International Commercial Litigation: Party Autonomy to the Fore', Faculty Research Seminar, SMU, Nov 2017 (with Yip Man)
25. 'The Harmonisation of the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Judgment Rules in ASEAN, Australia, China, India, Japan and South Korea', Attorney General's Chambers, AGC Academy, Professional Development Talk, Singapore, 14 Sept 2017 (invited)
26. Update on Asian Business Law Institute project titled 'Convergence in International Civil Procedure: The Harmonisation of the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Judgment Rules in ASEAN, Australia, China, India, Japan and South Korea', *Singapore International*

- Commercial Court Conference 2017*, 11 Jan 2017 (presentation before the judges of the SICC; invited)
27. 'A Modern Commercial Court for Asia – an Asian Vision', *In-House Counsel World Summit*, Paris, France, Oct 2016 (invited; pre-recorded slide presentation and participation in panel discussion through telephone)
  28. 'Constructive Trusts', *Equitable Remedies in Commercial Litigation*, Singapore Academy of Law- Chancery Bar Association, Supreme Court Singapore, 5 March 2015 (invited; panel discussant)
  29. 'The Preclusive Effect of Class Action Judgments at Common Law', *4<sup>th</sup> Asia Pacific Journal of Private International Law Colloquium*, Singapore Management University, 28 Nov 2014
  30. 'Recent Developments in Singapore Private International Law', *Facing Outwards: Australian Private International Law in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century*, Sydney Centre for International Law, University of Sydney, 10 April 2013 (invited)
  31. 'Foreign States and their Interests before National Courts', *Regulatory Hybridisation in the Transnational Sphere*, Kyushu University, Fukuoka, Japan, 12 Feb 2012 (invited)
  32. 'The "Party Scope" of Exclusive Jurisdiction Clauses', *ILA Asia-Pacific Regional Conference*, Taipei, Taiwan, May 2011
  33. 'Transnational Public Policy in Civil and Commercial Matters', Faculty Research Seminar, SMU, Oct 2010
  34. 'Commentary on *CIMB Bank Bhd v Dresdner Kleinwort Ltd* [2008] 4 SLR 543', Faculty Research Seminar Series, SMU, April 2009
  35. 'Choice of Law for Tort and the Rome II Regulation', Faculty Research Seminar Series, SMU, July 2008
  36. 'The Future of Private International Law' (seminar), British Institute of International and Comparative Law, London, Oct 2006 (invited)
  37. 'Choice of Law for Restitutionary "Remedies"', *Law of Obligations III Conference: Justifying Remedies in the Law of Obligations*, TC Beirne School of Law, University of Queensland, July 2006
  38. 'Choice of Law for Void Contracts and Their Restitutionary Aftermath: The Putative Governing Law of the Contract', *Anglo-Canadian Perspectives on Contract and Unjust Enrichment/Restitution*, British Association of Canadian Studies, London, June 2006 (invited)
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## **EXTERNAL AND CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION COURSES/SEMINARS/GUEST LECTURES**

1. 'The Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Judgments within the ASEAN Community', Advanced Courses of the Hague Academy of International Law on the Role of International Law in Advancing ASEAN Judiciaries', Tagaytay City, The Philippines, 19 February to 20 February 2026
2. 'Express, Resulting and Constructive Trusts in Private International Law', Special Course, Hague Academy of International Law, The Hague, Netherlands, 11 August to 15 August 2025
3. 'The Hague Trusts Convention', Dublin City University (guest lecture to 3<sup>rd</sup>/ final year LL.B students), online, 23 March 2021 (invited)
4. 'Commercial Conflict of Laws: An Introduction to Jurisdictional Rules', Continuing Legal Education Seminar, SMU, Sept 2012
5. Lecturer, *Advanced Course on Private International Law*, Attorney-General's Chambers, Malaysia, Dec 2008
6. Lecturer, *Commercial Conflict of Laws*, LL.M course, University of Nottingham (Malaysian campus), July 2008
7. Lecturer, *Introduction to Private International Law*, Attorney-General's Chambers, Malaysia, July 2007

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## **HONOURS AND AWARDS**

2023 Lee Kong Chian Fellowship (for research excellence), SMU  
2020 School of Law Dean's Teaching Excellence Award for AY 2019-2020, SMU  
2018 School of Law Dean's Teaching Excellence Award for AY 2017-2018, SMU  
2016 School of Law Dean's Teaching Excellence Award for AY 2015-2016, SMU  
2015 Lee Kong Chian Fellowship (for research excellence), SMU  
2013 School of Law Research Excellence Award, SMU  
2000-2003 School of Law Research studentship, University of Nottingham (for Ph.D)  
1997-2000 Faculty of Law Scholarship, University of Birmingham (annual bursary for international students)  
2000 J.F. Gregg Memorial Prize, University of Birmingham (in recognition of being awarded a First Class degree)  
1999 Maudsley Prize, University of Birmingham (for distinction in Property Law examination)  
1998 Pettit Bursary, University of Birmingham (for academic distinction)

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## **EDITORIAL, REVIEW AND EXAMINING ACTIVITIES**

### Editorial Activities

Editor, *Studies in Private International Law – Asia* book series (Hart) (March 2026 – present)

Editorial Board, *Asian Journal of Comparative Law* (October 2025 – present)

Editorial Advisory Board, *Journal of Private International Law* (Aug 2023 – present)

Editorial Board, *Chinese Journal of Transnational Law* (Mar 2023 – present)

Editorial Advisory Board, *Journal of Science Ho Chi Minh City Open University* (June 2020 – present)

Editor, *Conflictolaws.net: Views and News on Private International Law* (blog) (Aug 2017 – present)

### Ad hoc referee/reviewer

#### *Journal Articles:*

Asian Journal of International Law

Chinese Journal of Comparative Law

Chinese Journal of Transnational Law

Hong Kong Law Journal

International Insolvency Review

International Journal of Crime, Law and Social Issues

Journal of African Law

Journal of International Economic Law

Journal of Private International Law

Law Quarterly Review

Legal Studies

Melbourne Journal of International Law

Modern Law Review

Singapore Academy of Law Journal

Singapore Journal of Legal Studies

#### *Book Proposals:*

Cambridge University Press

Hart Publishing

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### Examiner

University of Sydney (Ph.D examiner, 2025)

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2. Consultant, Goodwins Law Corporation, Singapore; issued expert opinion on Singapore law for Finnish court proceedings, March – April 2018
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4. Consultant, Allen & Gledhill, Singapore, July 2017
5. Consultant, Squire Sanders (US) LLP, California; issued declaration on Singapore law for US class action, March 2013
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