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### **CURRICULUM VITAE**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

I am both a qualified lawyer as well as a qualified doctor, and prior to my current appointment in the Singapore Management University, I served as a District Judge, first in the Subordinate Courts, and later in the Family Justice Courts, for over 13 years.

#### **EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS (DEGREES)**

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| 1. Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS)<br><i>National University of Singapore</i> | 1996 |
| 2. Bachelor of Laws (LLB)<br><i>University College London</i>                                     | 2000 |
| 3. Master of Laws (LLM)<br><i>University College London</i>                                       | 2003 |
| 4. Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)<br><i>National University of Singapore</i>                          | 2023 |

#### **EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS (OTHERS)**

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| 1. Graduate Diploma in Singapore Law<br><i>National University of Singapore</i>   | 1996 |
| 2. Diploma in Musculoskeletal Medicine<br><i>Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh and<br/>Faculty of Sport and Exercise Medicine UK</i> | 2023 |

**PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS**

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| 1. Registered Medical Practitioner<br><i>Singapore</i>                                 | 2001 |
| 2. Fellow of the American College of Legal Medicine<br><i>United States of America</i> | 2003 |
| 3. Attorney and Counsellor at Law<br><i>New York, United States of America</i>         | 2003 |
| 4. Advocate and Solicitor<br><i>Singapore</i>  | 2006 |
| 5. Associate Mediator<br><i>Singapore Mediation Centre</i>                             | 2015 |

**ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS**

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| 1. Visiting Lecturer / Senior Lecturer<br><i>Nanyang Technological University</i>  | 2008 - 2011 |
| 2. Adjunct Assistant Professor<br><i>National University of Singapore</i>          | 2020 - 2025 |
| 3. Adjunct Lecturer<br><i>Singapore Management University</i>                      | 2025        |
| 4. Associate Professor of Law (Practice)<br><i>Singapore Management University</i> | 2025        |

**JUDICIAL APPOINTMENTS**

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|---|-------------|
| 1. District Judge<br><i>Subordinate Courts / State Courts</i>                                 | 2010 - 2014 |
| 2. District Judge<br>Family Justice Courts  | 2014 - 2023 |
| 3. Senior Director<br><i>Centre for Leadership and Judgecraft, Singapore Judicial College</i> | 2023        |

**PUBLICATIONS**

1. Tan CK, Tan CBC and Chan HL *A Scanning Electron Microscopic Study of the Scales of a Coral Fish, Chelmon Rostratus* [1987] *Okajimas Folia Anatomica Japonica* 64:223-242
2. Tan CBC and Tan CK, *An Unusual Course and Relations of the Human Axillary Artery* [1994] *Singapore Medical Journal* 35:263-264
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5. Tan CK, Ling EA and Tan CBC (eds), *Perspectives in Neuroscience Research* [1996] Singapore Neuroscience Association
6. Ling EA, Tan CK and Tan CBC (eds), *Topical Issues in Microglial Research* [1996] Singapore Neuroscience Association
7. Tan CBC, *Am I at Risk of Being Sued? A Guide to Medical Negligence Law* [2010] Sweet & Maxwell
8. Tan CBC, *Trials and Tribulations: Some suggestions on trial-related matters* [2011] Law Gazette
9. Tan CBC, *Therapeutic Justice View of Just and Equitable Proportions of Division of Matrimonial Assets* [2024] SAL Prac 5
10. Tan CBC, *Public Guardian and Board of Visitors*, In: Tan CBC, Chong YE, Sng AKP and Tan KW, 'The Mental Capacity Act in Singapore: Law and Practice' [2025] Academy Publishing, pp 113-136
11. Tan CBC, *Supplementary Powers, Practice and Procedure of Court*, In: Tan CBC, Chong YE, Sng AKP and Tan KW, 'The Mental Capacity Act in Singapore: Law and Practice' [2025] Academy Publishing, pp 137-149
12. Tan CBC, *A Decade of ANJ v ANK* [2025] Singapore University of Social Sciences
13. Tan CBC, *Division of Matrimonial Assets in Singapore: An Empirical Study* [upcoming publication]

**CONFERENCE PAPERS**

1. Tan CBC and Tan CK, *A Pascal Program for Quantitative Studies of Synaptic Vesicles*, Colloquium in Neuroscience, 27 March 1992
2. Tan CBC, *Computer-Based Learning in Anatomy*, Inaugural Conference of the Asia-Pacific Association for Medical Informatics, 10 - 12 November 1994

3. Tan CBC and Tan CK, *A Pascal Program for the Reconstruction of the Course of Nerves Innervating the Larynx*, 1st Asia-Pacific Colloquium in Neuroscience, 15 - 17 December 1994
4. Tan CBC and Tan CK, *Principles of Computer-Aided Quantitative Analysis of Cell Organelles from Electron Micrographs*, Microscopy Society (Singapore) 3rd Scientific Conference, 2 - 4 April 1996
5. Tan CBC and Tan CK, *Principles of 3-Dimensional Computer Reconstruction from Histological Sections*, Microscopy Society (Singapore) 3rd Scientific Conference, 2 - 4 April 1996
6. Tan CBC, *Challenges and Opportunities in dealing with Mental Capacity Cases – The Singapore Experience*, 3rd Asian Guardianship Conference, 29th November 2017
7. Tan CBC, *Emerging Issues in Mental Capacity in Singapore and Abroad*, Keynote Address at Annual Medico-Legal Seminar 2023, 28th October 2023

#### **WRITTEN JUDGMENTS PUBLISHED ON LAWNET**

1. *AMT v AMV* [2011] SGDC 114
2. *AQI v AQJ* [2011] SGDC 129
3. *ATC v ATD* [2011] SGDC 254
4. *ATJ v ATK* [2011] SGDC 255
5. *ATX v ATY* [2011] SGDC 315
6. *AUP v AUQ* [2011] SGDC 334
7. *AXU v AXV* [2012] SGDC 24
8. *AXW v AXX* [2012] SGDC 39
9. *BBD v BBE* [2012] SGDC 206
10. *BCH v BCI* [2012] SGDC 251
11. *BCQ v BCR* [2012] SGDC 317
12. *BDV v BDW* [2012] SGDC 433
13. *BEY v BEZ and XXX* [2012] SGDC 260
14. *BFM v BFN* [2013] SGDC 22
15. *BHV v BHW* [2013] SGDC 258
16. *BKJ v BKK* [2013] SGDC 261
17. *BLD v BLE* [2013] SGDC 333
18. *BLX v BLY* [2013] SGDC 324
19. *BMN v BMO* [2013] SGDC 388

20. *BMP v BMQ* [2013] SGDC 435
21. *GAA v GAB* [2014] SGDC 69
22. *GAR v GAS* [2012] SGDC 293
23. *GAX v GAY* [2014] SGDC 36
24. Goh Lye Heok v Tan Kee Yong [2012] SGDC 190
25. *JAM v JAN* [2014] SGDC 399
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27. Joycelyn Toh Hui Yu v Toh Siew Luan Bette [2013] SGDC 275
28. Lau Ca Cheng v Ho Kee Wai Tony [2014] SGDC 470
29. Lee Mee Leng v Tan Huat Soon [2013] SGDC 111
30. Peh Seng Bee John v Xu Li Ming [2014] SGDC 26
31. *Re GAV* [2014] SGDC 215
32. *Re TQR* [2016] SGFC 98
33. Tan Hock Siew v Wee Kwee Sin [2013] SGDC 194
34. *TAP v TAQ* [2015] SGFC 30
35. *TDU v TDV* [2015] SGFC 79
36. *TDU v TDV* [2015] SGFC 101
37. *TDX v TDY* [2015] SGFC 95
38. *TEB v TEC* [2015] SGFC 54
39. *TEC v TED* [2015] SGFC 93
40. *TEU v TEV* [2015] SGFC 115
41. *TEU v TEV* [2016] SGFC 33
42. *TFF v TFG* [2014] SGDC 286
43. *TGP v TGQ* [2017] SGFC 17
44. TRD v TRE and others [2016] SGFC 55
45. *TUT v TUU* [2016] SGFC 140
46. *TWD v TWE* [2016] SGFC 163
47. *TWD v TWE* [2018] SGFC 6
48. TWH and TWI v TWJ [2017] SGFC 4
49. TWH and another v TWJ [2019] SGFC 87
50. *TZF v TZE* [2017] SGFC 7
51. *ULB v ULC* [2018] SGFC 34
52. ULP and others v ULS [2018] SGFC 43

53. ULP and others v ULS [2020] SGFC 68
54. *VSV v VSW* [2021] SGFC 73
55. VUT and another v VUU and others and other matters [2021] SGFC 92
56. VUT and another v VUU and others [2022] SGFC 63
57. *VVA v VVB* [2021] SGFC 93
58. VVC and another v VVE and another [2021] SGFC 94
59. Yue Tock Him @ Yee Chok Him v Yee Ee Lim [2011] SGDC 99