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1995-1998 LLB, University of Hong Kong (First Class Honours)
1998-1999 PCLL, University of Hong Kong (with distinctions)
1999-2000 BCL, Hertford College, Oxford University (with prizes)

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Year Of Call:

2000(Hong Kong)

Practice Areas: Administrative and Public Law, Arbitration, Chancery, Commercial Law, Company Law and Insolvency, Construction Law, Employment and Anti-Discrimination, International Trade, Land & Planning Law, Tax Law, Probate Administration and Trusts, Landlord and Tenant, Mental Health matters etc



Teresa received her legal education from the University of Hong Kong and graduated with a First Class Honours in LLB and completed her PCLL with distinctions in subjects. She also obtained the post-graduate BCL degree from Oxford University where she was awarded prizes before she was called to the Bar in 2000. She subsequently joined Des Voeux Chambers a year later.

Teresa has a broad civil practice; she practices in all areas of General Civil, and mainly in Arbitration, Building Management, Commercial, Land, Landlord and Tenant, Mental Health, Probate and Administration, Public Law and Trust matters etc. She frequently advises and appears in Court on different levels for the Government, developers, landlords and tenants, companies across different sectors and jurisdictions and professional trustees, committees and PRs in contentious and non-contentious settings.

Apart from acting as counsel in arbitrations and also court applications in support of arbitration proceedings and involving challenges to and enforcement of arbitral awards etc., Teresa has recently developed a growing practice sitting as an arbitrator. In addition to acting as counsel, Teresa has been engaged to sit as an arbitrator in commercial cases.

Teresa has also been invited to contribute to and edit leading texts and annotated ordinances widely referred and cited by legal practitioners.

Expertise:

Memberships and Appointments

- Deputy Chairman of the Board of the Inland Revenue (2021)
- Adjudicator, Immigration Tribunal (2018)
- Legal Adviser, Private Columbaria Appeal Board (2018)
- Member, Board of Review (2015)
- Deputy District Judge (April 2014)
- Legal Adviser, Fishermen Claims Appeal Board (2014)
- Legal Adviser, Travel Agents Registry, Tourism Commission (2013)
- Legal Adviser, EMSD Disciplinary Boards (2013)
- Legal Adviser, Licensing Appeals Board (2010)
- Legal Adviser, Nursing Council (2006)

Selected Cases

- *In the Estate of Chow Yei Ching* [2020] HKCFI 1792
- *DP Properties Ltd v E Cube Club (Tsuen Wan) Ltd (formerly known as Play House (Tsuen Wan) Ltd) & Another* [2020] HKCFI 1252
- *Ah Pin Say Nai v Tam Mee Ling also known as Mee Ling Tam, the administratrix of the estate of Kwok Leung Lam also known as Kwok Leung Lam also known as Lam, Kwok Leung, Deceased* [2019] HKCFI 2856
- *Lau Wai Kuen Kenneth, Executor of the Estate of Lau Wan Hei, Deceased v The Secretary for Justice for and on behalf of the Director of Lands & Others* [2019] 5 HKLRD 86
- *Worldwide Flight Services Holdings SA Royal Caribbean Cruises Ltd & Another v Kai Tak Cruise Plaza Ltd & Another* [2019] 4 HKLRD 56
- *China Medical Technologies, Inc. (in Liquidation) & Others v Wu Xiaodong & Others* [2019] HKCFI 1488
- *Asia Pacific Infrastructure Investment Fund, LP v Keyway Holdings Ltd* [2018] HKCFI 1639
- *Happy Enough Ltd v The Director of Lands* [2018] 1 HKLRD 79
- *Building Authority v Appeal Tribunal (Buildings)* [2017] 3 HKLRD 818
- *Ho Wai Ping v Ho Ka Man Carmen* [2017] 2 HKLRD 158; [2018] HKCA 31
- *Celebrity Special Situations Fund I, LP (formerly known as Donglin Special Situations Fund I, LP) v China Linkage International Ltd* [2018] HKCFI 63
- *China Gas Holdings Ltd v Li Xiao Yun & Another* [2016] 19 HKCFAR 522
- *Chan Kam Chuen & Others v Director of Lands & Others*, HCAL 145/2014
- *Kong Colin Chung Ping & Another v Kong Wing On & Others*, CACV 72/2014 & CACV 69/2015
- *Lam Chi Ying (in her personal capacity and as the Administratrix of the Estate of Lui Hung (alias Lui Chun Hung, deceased) v To Pik Ha (in her personal capacity and as the Administratrix of the Estate of Lui Wai Hang, deceased)*, HCA 1930/2013 & HCMP557/2013

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- *Lingrade Development Ltd v Secretary for the Environment, Transport & Works*, [2011] 14 HKCFAR 439
 - *Sky Wide Development Ltd & Others v Building Authority*, [2011] 5 HKLRD 202
 - *Jade's Realm Ltd v Director of Lands for and on behalf of the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region*, HCA 1509/2012
 - *Tsang Luk Yuk Yin & Others v The Secretary for the Environment, Transport & Works*, [2008] 2 HKLRD 33

Publications, Lectures and Talks

- Teresa Wu was a contributing author to the Chapter on Landlord & Tenant for Bullen & Leake & Jacob's Precedents of Pleadings 2020 (Sweet & Maxwell) (with Mr. Martin Lau as a co-author)
- Land Resumption and Land Claims by way of Case Studies (May 2015)
- Updates on the Law Relating to Buildings and Town Planning in Hong Kong (September 2015) (with Miss Jacqueline Law as co-speaker)
- The Legal Aspect of Approval and Disapproval of Building Plans (October 2016) (with Mr Justin Lam & Miss Jacqueline Law as co-speakers)
- Contributor to Company Law in Hong Kong - Insolvency (Sweet & Maxwell (Asia))
- Teresa Wu co-authored the Education Ordinance (Cap. 279) as part of LexisNexis' Annotated Ordinances of Hong Kong with Ms. Carol Lee from Denis Chang's Chambers
- Teresa Wu co-authored LexisNexis' Atkin's Court Forms Hong Kong on Civil Court Appeals (Issue 75) with Ms. Carol Lee from Denis Chang's Chambers