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Date of Birth: September 23, 1953
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EDUCATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

LL. B. (Hons), University of Singapore, 1979;
LL. M., University of London, 1983;
Called to the Supreme Court of Singapore, 1980;
Appointed Senior Counsel of the Supreme Court of Singapore, 1999;
Registered Patent Agent, Singapore, 2002.

LANGUAGES

English.

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PRESENT POSITION

Partner and Head, Allen & Gledhill, Intellectual Property and Technology Department, Singapore; one of the five departments of the firm, covering three major areas: IP Litigation and Enforcement, Technology, Licensing & Communications, and IP Protection & Management;
Senior Counsel of the Supreme Court of Singapore.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE BEFORE PRESENT POSITION

Partner, Donaldson & Burkinshaw, 1984-88;
Legal Assistant, Donaldson & Burkinshaw, 1980-84.

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Activities encompass, *inter alia*, advice on clearance, protection and exploitation of IP rights such as patents, designs, trade marks, trade secrets and domain names, in relation to fields as diverse as biotechnology, healthcare, hotel management, pharmaceuticals, hardware and software and performance rights.

MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL BODIES

Member:

Singapore Copyright Tribunal (SCT);
Council member of the Asian Patent Attorneys Association (APAA);
Founder member of the Asean IP Association;
President of the Association of Singapore Patent Agents.

EXPERIENCE IN INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Over twenty years in practice, specializing in IPT litigation, including copyright, designs, patents, trade marks and trade secrets.

Singled out as a leading intellectual property lawyer in Singapore and Asia in the Euromoney Guide to the Leading Asia Pacific Law and Tax Experts (2000), AsiaLaw Leading Lawyers Survey (2000), AsiaLaw Profiles (2001), Global Counsel 3000 (2000/2002) and The Asia Pacific Legal 500 (2001/2002).

EXPERIENCE WITH RESPECT TO DOMAIN NAMES

Since 1999, has advised many clients on recovering gTLD and ccTLD names registered by cybersquatters in Singapore, Malaysia and the United States under Network Solution Inc.'s Dispute Resolution Policy as well as ICANN's Uniform Domain Name Dispute Resolution Policy. In 2000, successfully recovered the domain name of a major postal agency in court.

MAJOR PUBLICATIONS

Author of many intellectual property articles and publications; presented several local and international conference papers.

Selected Conference papers:

- “Managing a Web of Liabilities” at the seminar organized by the Singapore IT Dispute Resolution Advisory Committee, 2002;
- “Intellectual Property & Domain Name Dispute Resolution” at the “Arbitration Conference 2002” organized by Butterworths in association with the Singapore International Arbitration Centre, 2002;
- “On-line Dispute Resolution – Complementing the Courts?” at the conference organized by the American Bar Association, Section on Dispute Resolution in Washington, DC, 2001;
- “On-line Arbitration in Cyberspace” at the “Arbitration in Asia” conference organized by Euromoney, 2000;
- “Infringement on the Internet”, APAA-FICPI Forum (Asian Patent Attorneys Association-Fédération Internationale des Conseils en Propriété Industrielle), New Delhi, 2000;
- “Trade Mark Use on the Internet”, 5th Open Forum of FICPI, Monte Carlo, 1999;
- “Current Developments concerning Internet Governance”, 43rd APAA Council Meeting, Kyongju, Korea, 1999.

Selected Articles:

- Chapter in “Trademark Law and the Internet, published by the *International Trademark Association*, 2001;
 - “Net Effect II: Marked_Concern.com”, *Singapore Academy of Law Journal*, 1999;
 - “Net Effect: Copyright Conundrum in Cyberspace”, *Singapore Academy of Law Journal*, 1997;
 - “Interface between Computer Programs and the new Copyright Laws of Singapore and Malaysia”, *Malayan Law Journal*, 1989.
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EXPERIENCE IN COURT LITIGATION

During over twenty years in practice, developed an extensive IPT litigation practice which includes copyright, designs, patents, trade marks and trade secrets. Appeared before the Singapore High Court in numerous cases on behalf of clients in diverse areas such as biotechnology, engineering, entertainment, hotel management, Internet and performance rights.

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING IN MEDIATION

Attended a WIPO mediation course on May 28-29, 1996.
