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Present Position : Partner, Head of Asia Telecommunications, Media and Technology Practice Group

Dispute Resolution Training & Experience

Solicitor - England and Wales and Hong Kong

Practice - 1984 - 1989 Hong Kong
1989 - 1991 London
1991 to present day Hong Kong

Experience - Partner, Herbert Smith Commercial Litigation Department since 1991
- Head of Herbert Smith Asia TMT Group

Major Matters:

· Acting for Hong Kong Airport Authority in relation to cargo operator aspects of problems encountered on the opening of Hong Kong's new airport in 1998.
· Acting for CLP Power and CLP Telecom.
· Acting for Motion Picture Association of America and Hollywood film studios in relation to copyright and trademark piracy in Hong Kong and enforcement of piracy on internet.
· Advising the MPAA and Hollywood studios in relation to internet enforcement in Hong Kong, China and Thailand.
· Acting for STAR TV, TVB, ATV, Wharf Cable and HK-IMS in relation to copyright licensing issues.
· Acting for the International Federation of the Phonographic Industry in relation to piracy of sound record recordings.

Member of - Hong Kong Law Society Technology & Management Committee
- Asian Patent Attorneys Association
- International Trademark Association

Career

1978-1981 - LLB in law. Bristol University
1982-1984 - Trainee Solicitor, Herbert Smith (London and Hong Kong)
1984 - Admitted as a solicitor in England and Wales and Hong Kong, Assistant Solicitor, Herbert Smith Hong Kong
1989 - Assistant Solicitor, Herbert Smith London
1991 - Partner, Herbert Smith London
1991-2001 - Partner, Herbert Smith Hong Kong

References

- Who's Who in the Law Hong Kong 1997-2000
- Euromoney World's Leading Litigation and Trademark Lawyers