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**“Carter is a leading specialist in competition law in Hong Kong and is known for his deep legal knowledge in EU and Hong Kong competition law. He is a very collaborative and effective communicator, he gives pragmatic advice that addresses commercial realities and client sensitivities, and his persuasive style and ability to distill complex legal concepts into accessible language make him a compelling advocate.”**

**Legal 500 Asia-Pacific 2024, Competition Law – Leading Juniors, Tier 1**

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**“Carter is well known amongst the Hong Kong Bar as a leading specialist in Hong Kong competition law. He is sought after by practitioners for his superb knowledge of competition law and experience in a growing number of cases in Hong Kong.”**

**“Carter Chim...is frequently instructed on complex and high-value cases.”**

**Legal 500 Asia-Pacific 2023, Competition Law – Leading Juniors, Tier 1**

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**“A conscientious and industrious barrister with thorough knowledge of competition law.”**

**“Carter Chim is ‘well-recognised in Hong Kong for his experience in competition law matters’ and is well-versed in representing public and private clients across a wide spectrum of competition law issues, with enforcement actions prominent in his recent caseload. ”**

**Legal 500 Asia-Pacific 2022, Competition Law – Leading Juniors, Tier 1**

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**“There is no question in relation to his wealth of knowledge in competition law. Given his background also in academia, he is able to present a lot of food for thought to the Competition Tribunal. He is a relentless advocate and his submissions were well researched, and does an admirable job for a client facing an uphill battle.”**

**Legal 500 Asia-Pacific 2021, Competition Law – Leading Juniors, Tier 1**

## Biography

### Competition Law

Carter Chim is a distinguished authority in Hong Kong Competition Law, consistently ranked as a Tier 1 Leading Junior by The Legal 500 (Legalease) since the inception of its Hong Kong Bar rankings in 2021. He is also recognized as a “Recommended Barrister and Future Leader” in Competition Law by the latest Lexology Index (formerly Who’s Who Legal). In March 2025, Carter advanced his legal career by joining Matrix Chambers in London, where he now brings his exceptional expertise to the English Bar.

Carter’s expertise is backed by an illustrious educational background, having read Competition Law at King’s College London, courtesy of the British Chevening Postgraduate Scholarship. He graduated with distinction in 2011. From 2015 to 2016, he served as Legal Counsel to the Competition Commission in Hong Kong, during which he further deepened his knowledge in the field, earning a Postgraduate Diploma in Economics for Competition Law from King’s College London. His tenure was marked by his appointment as the first case manager for the Competition Commission, leading its first public enforcement action in *Competition Commission v Nutanix Hong Kong Ltd v Others* (CTEA 1/2017).

In 2016, Carter resumed his practice at Denis Chang’s Chambers (Hong Kong), focusing on competition matters. He has represented a broad spectrum of clients, including respondents in high-profile cases such as *Competition Commission v W Hing Construction Co Ltd and Others* (CTEA 2/2017), *Competition Commission v TH Lee Book Co Ltd and Others* (CTEA 2/2020), *Competition Commission v Linde HKO and Others* (CTEA 3/2020), and *Competition Commission v Multisoft Limited and Others* (CTEA 1/2023).

Beyond his legal practice, Carter has made significant contributions to academia. He lectured in Competition Law at The Chinese University of Hong Kong between 2016 and 2019, and subsequently held a senior lecturing position at The University of Hong Kong from 2019 to 2024. From 2018 to 2022, he was appointed as a non-governmental advisor to the International Competition Network. Currently, he holds the position of Vice-Chairman of the Hong Kong Bar Association’s Committee on Competition Law.

Carter Chim is now poised to bring his considerable expertise and wealth of experience to the English Bar, ready to make his mark in the London legal profession.

## Selected Cases

### Competition Law

- ***The Second Wave Trucks Proceedings***  
(Competition Appeal Tribunal (UK), led by Alan Bates)
- ***Competition Commission v Multisoft Limited & Others*** (CTEA 1/2023)  
(Hong Kong Competition Tribunal, as sole advocate)
- ***Competition Commission v Linde HKO Limited & Others*** (CTEA 3/2020)  
(Hong Kong Competition Tribunal, led by Abraham Chan SC, instructed by Linklaters)
- ***Competition Commission v TH Lee Book Co Ltd & Others*** (CTEA 2/2020)  
(Hong Kong Competition Tribunal, led by Daniel Beard KC & Abraham Chan SC)
- ***Competition Commission v W Hing Construction Co Ltd (No 3)*** [2020] 2 HKLRD 1229  
(Hong Kong Competition Tribunal, as sole advocate)
- ***Competition Commission v W Hing Construction Co Ltd (No 2)*** [2019] 3 HKLRD 46  
(Hong Kong Competition Tribunal, as sole advocate)

## Biography (continued)

### Constitutional and Administrative Law

Carter acted in a number of landmark constitutional and administrative law cases before the Hong Kong Court of Final Appeal, including:

- ***Secretary for Justice v Leung Kwok Hung* [2021] HKCFA 32**  
(Hong Kong Court of Final Appeal, led by Lord Pannick QC and Margaret Ng, with Jason Lee as co-counsel)
- ***Leung Kwok Hung v President of the Legislative Council (No 1)* (2014) 17 HKCFAR 689**  
(Hong Kong Court of Final Appeal, led by Martin Lee SC and Hectar Pun SC)
- ***Leung Kwok Hung v President of the Legislative Council (No 2)* (2014) 17 HKCFAR 841**  
(Hong Kong Court of Final Appeal, led by Martin Lee SC and Hectar Pun SC)
- ***Ho Chun Yan, Albert v Leung Chun Ying* (2013) 16 HKCFAR 735**  
(Hong Kong Court of Final Appeal, led by Martin Lee SC and Hectar Pun SC)
- ***Turbo Top Ltd v Lee Cheuk Yan & Ors* [2013] 3 HKLRD 41**  
(as sole advocate at the Court of First Instance of the High Court, Hong Kong)

Carter also taught constitutional law and administrative law at The University of Hong Kong, The Chinese University of Hong Kong, and The City University of Hong Kong at various points of time in 2013-2024.

## Education

Postgraduate Diploma in Economics for Competition Law, King's College London (2016)

LLM in Competition Law, King's College London (Distinction) (2011)

PCLL, The University of Hong Kong (2010)

LLB, The University of Hong Kong (2009)

BSocSc (Government & Laws), The University of Hong Kong (2007)

## Scholarships and Prizes

British Chevening Postgraduate Scholarship (2011)

Peter Vine Postgraduate Law Scholarship (2011)

## Appointments

Vice-Chairman, Committee on Competition Law, HK Bar Association (2023 – present)

Senior Lecturer, The University of Hong Kong (2019-2024)

Non-Governmental Advisor, International Competition Network (2018-2022)

Professional Consultant, The Chinese University of Hong Kong (2016-2019)

Legal Counsel, Competition Commission (Hong Kong) (2015-2016)

## Recognitions

Legal 500 Asia-Pacific, Competition Law — Leading Juniors, Tier 1 (Since 2021)

Lexology Index, Competition Law — Recommended Barrister & Future Leader (Since 2023)

## Other Selected Cases

### Criminal Law

- ***HKSAR v Lo Kin Sun (2021) 24 HKCFAR 11*** (Court of Final Appeal, led by Eric Cheung as solicitor advocate)

Represented the successful appellant in establishing that there was a departure from the accepted norms concerning the conduct of the defendant's trial where he was unrepresented, denying him the right to a fair trial and rendering his conviction unsafe and unsatisfactory.

- ***HKSAR v Chow Nok Hang & Anor (2013) 16 HKCFAR 837*** (Court of Final Appeal, led by Martin Lee SC, with Randy Shek as co-counsel)

Represented the successful defendant in clarifying the elements of the offence of "disorder in public places" under section 17B of the Public Order Ordinance, Cap. 245)

- ***HKSAR v Leung Kwok Hung (DCCC 546/2016)*** (District Court, led by Martin Lee SC and Hectar Pun SC, with Anson Wong as co-counsel)

Represented the successful defendant who faced an allegation of misconduct in public office

- ***HKSAR v Raphael Hui & Ors (HCCC 98/2013)*** (Court of First Instance, led by David Perry QC, Joseph Tse SC, Louis Mably QC and Maggie Wong SC)

Represented the successful prosecution in the trial of this case concerning misconduct in public office and bribery

### Winding Up Petition

- ***Re Yuan Tong Global Financial Group Ltd [2021] HKCFI 1534*** (as sole advocate at the Court of First Instance)

Represented the successful petitioner and persuaded the Court that the respondent did not have a bona fide defence to the petitioner's claim