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Biography

Keith is developing a broad civil practice with particular experience and interest in commercial litigation, company law, insolvency, arbitration, trusts, probate and intellectual property. He has represented domestic, Mainland and overseas clients in Hong Kong and worked with legal teams in offshore litigation in the Cayman Islands and the British Virgin Islands.

Keith is a member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and the Hong Kong Institute of Arbitrators.

Prior to joining the Bar, Keith qualified as a solicitor with a major international law firm. He has received awards from international and domestic mooted competitions including the Best Speaker Award from a practitioners' moot organised by Essex Court Chambers and the Singapore Academy of Law.

Professional Qualifications

Barrister of the High Court of Hong Kong (2020)

Solicitor of the High Court of Hong Kong (2018-2019)

The Chartered Institute of Arbitrators – Member (2018)

The Hong Kong Institute of Arbitrators – Associate (2017)

Education

The Chinese University of Hong Kong – JD, PCLL (2015-2016)

University College London – Master of Arts in English (2013)

King's College London – BA (Hons) English Language and Literature (2012)

King's College London – Associate of King's College London (General Theology and Ethics) (2012)

Selected Cases

Commercial

- ***Koo Ming Kown v The Baptist Convention of Hong Kong*** [2024] HKCFI 572: successfully defended a claim in deceit and breach of implied contract with costs on indemnity basis (led by Abraham Chan SC and with Richard Yip)
- ***Blue Ocean Creation Investment Hong Kong Ltd & Or v Golden Meditech Stem Cells (BVI) Company Limited***, BVIHCV(COM) 2022/0101 and BVIHCMAP2023/0022: complex dispute on the validity of share charges arising from sale and purchase of controlling stake in major listed company at purchase price of over RMB 5.7 billion (multi-jurisdiction defence team led by Alan Steinfeld KC)
- ***Remx Limited v LAE Technologies Hong Kong Limited*** [2024] HKCFI 572: struck out claims in constructive/resulting trust, *Quistclose* trust, unjust enrichment and dishonest assistance for US\$12 million against Legacy Trust Company Ltd
- ***Ultimate Prosperity Ltd v Infinity Capital Group Ltd***, HCA 220/2022: obtained summary judgment for over US\$6 million with post-judgment interest on contractual rates, liability for breach of contract (damages to be assessed) and order to strike out the Defence and Counterclaim for fraudulent misrepresentation and Money Lenders Ordinance (Cap. 163)
- ***Korita Packaging Ltd v Shahaneys (HK) Ltd***, HCA 2167/2020: opposed application to adduce further evidence on appeal ([2022] HKCFI 202). Decision confirm proper approach to seeking leave to file evidence on appeal from Master to Judge. Summary judgment for over US\$2.5 million was confirmed on appeal and decision sets out test for assessment of sham ([2022] HKCFI 2923)
- ***Koo Ming Kown v Rev Mr Mok Tong Ting*** [2022] HKCFI 642: decision clarifies proper approach to the test of practical utility for declaratory relief (led by Mr Abraham Chan SC and with Mr Richard Yip)
- ***Pu Yan v Madison Lab Limited***, HCA 588/2022: action to enforce judgment from Tokyo at common law in Hong Kong
- ***CL Chow Mackston, Solicitors (a firm) v Chan Put Fat*** [2021] 5 HKLRD 17 and [2022] HKCFI 15: proper approach to determining payment due under an oral retainer and cost consequences (with Jerome Liu)

Company Law

- **Re Global Cord Blood Corporation**, FSD 108/2022: dispute over a significant cross-border acquisition which required the company to allot new shares and pay cash consideration of US\$664 million (multi-jurisdiction defence team led by Victor Joffe KC, SC)
- **Lee Sai Hoi v Li Sin Man** [2022] HKCFI 2984: obtained injunction in favour of patriarch of family to restrain approval of disputed share transfers in the patriarch's asset holding company (with Jerome Liu)
- **Ng Kwok Piu Philip v To Pui Kui** [2021] HKCA 106: complex family dispute over share transfers in family companies purportedly evidenced by documents only produced after patriarch's death. Application for leave to appeal to the Court of Final Appeal on question of the *Duomatic* principle (led by Victor Joffe QC)
- **Re Wilhemsen Ship Management Holding Ltd** [2021] 3 HKLRD 213: application to rectify information filed in Companies Registry and its supposed impact on voluntary winding up
- **Re Hoi Yin Association of Hong Kong Ltd**: advised charitable company on corporate governance issues

Trust, Probate and Administration

- **Estate Lam Hon Keung Keith v Lam Chi Tat Anthony**, HCA 725/2015: claims continued by the executors of a late property developer against his first son and daughter-in-law for return of shares in companies which in turn hold valuable assets (led by Anson Wong SC with Tara Liao)
- **Re Lee Sai Hoi**, HCAP 34/2023: resist challenge over validity of will on grounds of alleged lack of testamentary capacity and undue influence (with Jerome Liu)
- **Re Lam Tim Stan** [2024] HKCFI 2689: administrative proceedings concerning estate worth in excess of HK\$280 million on issues spanning from retrospective grant of *Beddoe* to determination of marital status and adoption under Qing law
- **Welly Grace Ltd v Keung Yee Man** [2023] HKCFI 3082: decision clarifies and confirms the requirements for grant of proprietary injunction
- **Ko Tung Mung v Wong Ka Chun** [2023] HKCFI 3347: continuation of *ex parte* injunction in support of a claim for the recovery of shares and monies acquired by funds subject to *Quistclose* trust

Insolvency

- **Re Sunac China Holdings Limited**, HCCW 16/2025: represent creditor in support of proposed scheme of arrangement of a major Chinese property developer
- **Re Cheng Jonathan** [2024] HKCFI 3669: bankruptcy petition for debt over US\$15 million. Decision confirms proper approach where debtor fails to adduce evidence in time and where debtor fails to pursue an appeal with diligence
- **Re PM Education Operation Ltd**: advised creditor on its rights and options in respect of the collapse of Mount Kelly International, a major international school in Hong Kong
- **Re Look's Securities Ltd**, HCCW 441/2024: represent company to resist winding up petition brought by a petitioner (in liquidation) which the company had wound up
- **Re Evershine Group Holdings**, HCCW 1/2021: represent opposing creditor to resist winding up petition against listed company on grounds statutory demand was defective

Land and Property Law

- **Kan Yin Ming v Director of Lands**, HCMP 951/2025 application for compensation from resumption of land where applicants had obtained declaratory relief for possessive title
- **Mega Link Investment Ltd v Tescon Limited & Ors**, HCA 1218/2021: dispute as to whether a commercial lease was a relational contract and hence warranting implied conditions/duties of good faith

Administrative and Public Law

- **Ecogreen International Group Ltd v The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Ltd**, HCMP 506/2024: judicial review against de-listing decision on grounds of procedural unfairness and errors of fact, law and irrationality
- **Sino Energy International Group Holdings Ltd v The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Ltd** [2022] HKCFI 3409: judicial review against de-listing decision on grounds of error of fact, law, procedural unfairness and irrationality
- Advised on intended judicial review against decision of Appeal Tribunal (Buildings) to order demolition of certain renovation works

CPD Seminars

- “Mareva 50 years on: What has changed?”, CPD seminar on 2 April 2025 (with Richard Yip)
- “Commercial Injunctions”, webinar on 28 July 2023 (with Ms Tara Liao)
- “Commercial Injunctions”, webinar on 29 July 2022 (with Ms Tara Liao)
- “Commercial Injunctions”, webinar on 13 August 2021 (with Ms Tara Liao)
- “Principles and Developments in Company Law”, CPD seminar on 28 May 2021 (with Ms Tara Liao)
- “Dealing with the Stock Exchange’s Delisting Decisions”, Webinar on 28 May 2021 (led by Mr Hectar Pun SC, Mr Richard Yip and Mr Anson Wong Yu Yat)