

## Careers Talk: The Life of an International Family & Private Client Disputes Lawyer

Approximately 40% of marriages in Singapore involve an international person. International marriages raise questions of locating, valuing and enforcing against assets all over the world, and issues relating to the children of the marriage, such as international child abduction and international relocation of children across borders.

Further, as the assets of high net worth (HNW) Asian families grow in both size and complexity, issues around not just succession planning but also asset protection become increasingly relevant to ensure stable business and wealth continuity. The day to day life of an international family and private client disputes lawyer is varied, interesting, challenging and at times, emotionally fraught!

Join us for a hybrid discussion to learn more about how International Family & Private Client Disputes Lawyers navigate these complex issues for their clients.

**Date:** 6 April 2022 (Wednesday)  
**Time:** 1:00PM - 2:30PM  
**Format:** Hybrid Event (NUS Law & Zoom)  
**Venue:** Block B, 5<sup>th</sup> Level, **Seminar Room 5-4**  
 National University of Singapore, Faculty of Law

**Please note:**

- In-person slots are limited to the **first 40 students** and on a first come, first served basis.
- Bite-sized treats box will be provided to the first 40 students who registered and turn up for the in-person event. Due to Safe Management Measures, there is strictly no consumption of food allowed in the Seminar Room. Students may collect their treats box after the event has ended.

Register

### About the Speakers:



**Hoon Shu Mei**  
 Associate Director, Drew & Napier LLC

With a niche practice in private client and matrimonial disputes, Shu Mei appears regularly for private clients at all levels of the Singapore Courts on all matters affecting the family including division of matrimonial assets, maintenance, custody and international relocation, and trust and property disputes. Shu Mei was appointed a Fellow of the International Academy of Family Lawyers (IAFL) in 2021. She was also listed by CityWealth UK on their Top 100 Private Client Lawyers Leaders' List, and is one of the core members of the private disputes team which clinched the Asian Legal Business (ALB) Matrimonial and Family Law Firm of the Year award in 2021.

As an accredited mediator with SMC and SIMI, and an accredited Collaborative Family Practitioner, she strives to find common ground even in the most complex of cases in negotiations and mediations, whether as an advocate or a neutral. She has particular expertise drafting and negotiating prenuptial, postnuptial, financial arrangement and parenting agreements between family members. In addition to her experience in private client and matrimonial work, Shu Mei has also represented corporations in international arbitrations under SIAC, ICC, CIETAC, UNCITRAL and DIAC rules and is a member of the Singapore Institute of Arbitrators. Shu Mei also speaks regularly about family law, succession planning, dispute resolution and mediation at events and conferences. She is the co-author of various academic articles and practitioner guides both locally and internationally.

In her efforts to assist with COVID-19 relief, she acts as an Assessor for determinations made under the COVID-19 (Temporary Measures) Act.



**Beverly Goh**  
 Associate, Drew & Napier LLC

Beverly graduated from the National University of Singapore (NUS) in 2019 and was admitted to the Bar in 2020. She was awarded the Peacemaker's Prize, Singapore Mediation Centre Prize and the Koh Han Kok Book Prize in her years at NUS. Beverly also represented NUS in the 2018 Tsinghua University School of Law International Arbitration Moot, where her team clinched first place in the competition. She specialises in family law, and has successfully represented clients in matrimonial disputes in the Family Justice Courts, General Division and Appellate Division of the High Court, and the Court of Appeal.

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