

ETHICS IN LIVED REALITY: MENTORING IN THE DAILY GRIND

1 OCTOBER 2026 (THURSDAY)
4.15PM - 5.45PM (SGT)
ZOOM (ONLINE)

PROGRAMME

4.00PM	Registration
4.15PM	Introduction & Opening Remarks
4.25PM	Presentations by Panel Speakers
5.10PM	Panel Discussion
5.30PM	Moderated Q & A
5.45PM	End of Session

Guest-of-Honour



Valerie Thean
Deputy Attorney-
General
Attorney-General's
Chambers

Moderator



Helena Whalen-Bridge
Associate Professor
Faculty of Law, National
University of Singapore

Panel Speakers



JUSTIN TAN
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ABRAHAM VERGIS
PROVIDENCE LAW ASIA



JENNIFER LIM
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ANTHEA ONG
WORKWELL LEADERS

The panel discussion explores how legal ethics can be integrated into the everyday training and mentorship of lawyers. Bringing together speakers from diverse backgrounds, it will examine the importance of fostering ethical workplace cultures and sustainable mentoring practices, while offering practical perspectives and strategies for addressing ethical challenges in daily legal practice.



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Practice Area: Mandatory Ethics Component
Training Level: General

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GUEST-OF-HONOUR



VALERIE THEAN

Deputy Attorney-General

Valerie previously served as a Judge of the Supreme Court. A President's Scholar, she graduated with First Class Honours from Downing College, University of Cambridge, and earned an LL.M. from Harvard Law School. Over the course of her distinguished career, she has held senior appointments across the Singapore Legal Service, including at the Supreme Court, the Attorney-General's Chambers, and the Ministry of Law. She is widely recognised for her contributions to family law, juvenile justice, and legal education.

MODERATOR



HELENA WHALEN-BRIDGE

Associate Professor

Helena is an educator at the Faculty of Law, National University of Singapore, where she teaches and researches in the areas of legal ethics, legal education, legal narrative, and access to justice. An experienced attorney and academic, she has made significant contributions to pro bono initiatives and legal skills education in Singapore and has published widely on ethics and the legal profession. She is also the recipient of the 2019 Teresa Godwin Phelps Award for Scholarship in Legal Communication.

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PANEL SPEAKERS



JUSTIN TAN

Vice-Dean (Student Affairs)

Justin is a Senior Lecturer and Vice-Dean (Student Affairs) at the Faculty of Law, National University of Singapore. He teaches and researches in the areas of tort law and taxation, with a particular focus on cross-border commercial transactions. Before joining academia, he practised tax law, advising on international tax matters, and has co-authored several editions of Singapore's Master Tax Guide. He holds degrees from the National University of Singapore and New York University.



ABRAHAM VERGIS

Founder and Managing Director

Abraham is the Founder and Managing Director of Providence Law Asia, a Singapore disputes-focused law firm specialising in international arbitration, litigation, restructuring, and complex commercial disputes. A Senior Counsel, he has extensive experience appearing before the Singapore courts and in cross-border arbitrations, and is widely recognised as a leading disputes practitioner in Singapore.



JENNIFER LIM

Barrister

Jennifer is a Singapore-based barrister practising at Duxton Hill Chambers, where she focuses on commercial litigation and international arbitration. She has experience handling complex cross-border disputes and advisory work across a range of commercial and regulatory matters, with a practice spanning both court proceedings and arbitral forums.



ANTHEA ONG

Founder

Anthea is a Singaporean social entrepreneur, mental health advocate, and former Nominated Member of Parliament. She is the founder of Workwell Leaders, an organisation focused on workplace well-being, leadership development, and building healthier organisational cultures. She has also been active in advancing mental health awareness, social resilience, and support for vulnerable communities in Singapore.