

## CURRICULUM VITAE

### PERSONAL PARTICULARS

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### APPOINTMENTS (SELECTED)

- Senior Counsel (*Honoris Causa*) (since 2016)
- Member, the Singapore Domain Name Dispute Resolution Panel (since 2014)
- Member, Copyright Tribunal (2009–2024)
- *Amicus Curiae*/Independent Counsel to the Court of Appeal (2015; 2013; 2023)
- Member, Senate of the Singapore Academy of Law (2012–2014; 2017–2023)
- Professorial Fellow, AGC Academy (2015–2023)
- Mediator, WIPO Arbitration & Mediation Centre, Singapore Office (2022)
- IP Adjudicator, Intellectual Property Office of Singapore (2014–2015)
- Member, Board of Governors, IP Academy Singapore (2008–2011)
- Consultant, World Intellectual Property Organisation (2008–2009)
- Member, Board of Directors, Intellectual Property Office of Singapore (2001–2002)

### WORK EXPERIENCE

2011 – present	Professor, Faculty of Law, NUS
2005 – 2010	Associate Professor, Faculty of Law, NUS
2003 – 2004	Deputy Director, IP Academy (Singapore) [on secondment from NUS]
1991 – 2002	Senior Tutor (1991–1993); Lecturer (1994–1997); Senior Lecturer (1998–1999); Associate Professor (2000–2010), Faculty of Law, NUS

1988 – 1991                      Legal Assistant, Shook Lin & Bok

## **EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS**

1992 – 1993                      LLM, King’s College, London

1988                                Advocate & Solicitor, Supreme Court of Singapore

1983 – 1987                      LLB, National University of Singapore

1977 – 1982                      Raffles Girls’ Secondary School; Raffles Junior College

## **TEACHING HISTORY**

- International Copyright Law and Policy (since 2005)
- International Trademark Law and Policy (since 2005)
- Law of Intellectual Property Law (since 1994)
- Law of Unfair Competition (1998–2000)
- Criminal Law (1991–1992)
- Legal Methods (1991–1992; 1994–1998)

## **UNIVERSITY ADMINISTRATION**

- Member, President Disciplinary Advisory Committee (2019 – present)
- Member, University Tenure and Promotion Committee (2021–2022)
- Member, Faculty Tenure and Promotion Committee (2022 – present)
- Member, Academic Performance Review Committee (2015–2016; 2019 – present)
- Member, Law Dean Search Committee (2020)
- Chair, Faculty Search Committee (2017–2019)
- Vice-Dean, Academic Affairs (2012–2014)
- Co-chair, Faculty Curriculum Review Committee (2012–2014)
- Chair, Faculty Teaching Excellence Committee (2012–2014)
- Chair, Faculty Curriculum Committee (2012–2014)
- Member, Faculty Curriculum Committee (2006–2011)
- Member, Faculty Search Committee (2005–2006; 2012–2014)
- Member, Faculty Promotion and Tenure Committee (2011–2012)

- Director, LLM Programme in IP & Technology Law (2005–2012)
- Director, Continuing Legal Education Committee (2000–2002)
- Graduate Studies Committee (1998–2000)
- Sub-Dean (1998–2000)
- Member, Editorial Committee, SCIBL Conference 1996

## AWARDS

- Singapore Law Merit Award 2013 (Singapore Academy of Law)
- Annual Teaching Excellence Award 2012 (university-level)
- Faculty Excellence Teaching Award 2012 (faculty-level)
- Faculty Excellence Teaching Award 2011 (faculty-level)
- Faculty Excellence Teaching Award 2023 (faculty-level)

## PUBLICATIONS

### BOOKS/MONOGRAPHS

1. *Law of Intellectual Property of Singapore* (3<sup>rd</sup> revised edition 2022, Sweet & Maxwell)
2. *The Cambridge Handbook of Copyright Limitations and Exceptions* (2021, Cambridge University Press) (co-editor)
3. *Geographical Indications at the Crossroads of Trade, Development and Culture in Asia Pacific* (2017, Cambridge University Press) (co-editor)
4. *The Law of Reputation and Brands in the Asia Pacific Region* (2012, Cambridge University Press) (co-editor)
5. *Intellectual Property: Singapore*, in *International Encyclopaedia of Laws (Supplement 6)* (2000, Kluwer Law International) (co-author)

### CHAPTERS IN BOOKS

1. “AI as Author and Inventor?”, in *Law and Technology in Singapore* (forthcoming 2<sup>nd</sup> ed 2024, Academy Publishing)
2. “Intellectual Property Law Reform”, in *Legal Frontiers: Laws to Create an Inclusive and Innovative Society Vol. 3 – Transforming Civil Justice, Restructuring & Insolvency, and Intellectual Property in Singapore* (forthcoming 2024, Academy Publishing)

3. "Copyright Exceptions for Text and Data Mining: A Case for Specificity (Certainty) and Generality (Flexibility)", in *Innovation – Creation – Markets: Festschrift Reto M. Hilty* (2024, Springer)
4. "Logic and Rationality – Justice Andrew Phang and Intellectual Property Law", in *Pursuing Justice and Justice Alone: The Heart and Humanity of Andrew Phang's Jurisprudence* (2022, Academy Publishing)
5. "AI as Author and Inventor?", in *Law and Technology in Singapore* (2021, Academy Publishing)
6. "Trade Secret Protection in Singapore", in *Trade Secret Protection: Asia at a Crossroads* (2021, Kluwer)
7. "Copyright and Religion: An Exemption for the Use of Music and Songs in Worship?", in *The Cambridge Handbook of Copyright Limitations and Exceptions* (2021, Cambridge University Press)
8. "Relationship between Trademark Law and Copyright/Design Law: Trademark Protection for Ornamental Shapes?", in *Cambridge Handbook on International and Comparative Trademark Law* (2020, Cambridge University Press) (co-authored)
9. "Australian Legislation Abroad: Singaporean Pragmatism, and the Role of Australian Scholarship in Singaporean Copyright Law", in *Across Intellectual Property: Essays in Honour of Sam Ricketson* (2020, Cambridge University Press)
10. "The Criminal Offence of Wilful Copyright Infringement Where the Extent is Significant or Where a Commercial Advantage Is Obtained", in *Annotated Leading Copyright Cases in Major Asian Jurisdictions* (2019, City HK Press)
11. "Absolute Bans on the Registration of Product Shape Marks: A Breach of International Law?", in *The Protection of Non-Traditional Marks* (2018, Oxford University Press)
12. Commentary on Chapter 6 "Image Rights and Other Unorthodox Forms of Intellectual Property", in *Framing Intellectual Property Law in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century* (2018, Cambridge University Press)
13. "An Exceptional Generalist-Jurist in a *Lex Specialis*: Judge of Appeal Chao Hick Tin and Intellectual Property Law", in *A Judge For The Ages: Essays in Honour of Justice Chao Hick Tin* (2017, Academy Publishing)
14. "Compulsory Licences as an Enabler of New Business Models", in *Remuneration of Copyright Owners: Regulatory Challenges of New Business Models* (2017, Springer)

15. "The Exhaustion Doctrine in Singapore: Different Strokes for Different IP Folks", in *Research Handbook on Intellectual Property Exhaustion and Parallel Imports* (2016, Edward Elgar)
16. "IP and FTAs of Singapore: Ten Years On", in *IP Aspects in the Free Trade Agreements in the Asia Pacific Region* (2015, Springer)
17. "The Imperial Act 1911 in Singapore: Copyright Creatures Great and Small, This Act It Made Them All", in *Shifting Empire: 100 Years of the Copyright Act 1911* (2013, Edward Elgar)
18. "The Balance of Interest in Copyright Law - The Singapore Report" (2012, International Academy of Comparative Law), pp 829–852 in *Balancing Copyright – A Survey of National Approaches* (2012, Springer)
19. "Protection of Reputation in the Trade Mark and Copyright Laws of Malaysia and Singapore: Divergence and A Cultural Exploration", in *The Law of Reputation and Brands in the Asia Pacific Region* (2012, Cambridge University Press) (co-authored)
20. "The Patent Prosecution System in Singapore", in *The Enforcement of Patent Rights* (2012, Kluwer Law International)
21. "Developments in Trade Mark Law 2006-2010: Confusion-based Protection and Beyond", in *Developments in Singapore Law 2006-2010: Trends and Perspectives*, (2011, Singapore Academy of Law)
22. "Intellectual Property Law", in *Annual Review of Singapore Case* (Singapore Academy of Law) for the years 2000 – 2013 (except 2006 and 2010) (co-author)
23. "From Third World to First: Singapore's IP Story, 1965–2005", in *Intellectual Property in Asia: Law, Economics, History and Politics* (2009, Springer)
24. "Parallel Imports of Pharmaceuticals: Doha versus Free Trade Agreements", in *Intellectual Property and Free Trade Agreements* (2007, Hart Publishing)
25. "New Paradigms of Copyright in Singapore", in *Copyright Law and the Information Society in Asia* (2007, Hart Publishing)
26. *Passing Off*, in *Halsbury's Laws of Singapore* (2007, LexisNexis)
27. "Intellectual Property Rights in Singapore: Restoring the Balance in IP Law", in *Developments in Singapore Law between 2001 and 2005* (2006, Singapore Academy of Law)
28. "The Convergence and Divergence in the Intellectual Property Laws of Malaysia and Singapore in the Post WTO/TRIPs Era", in *Developments in Singapore and Malaysian Law* (2005, Marshall Cavendish)

29. "Trademark Protection for Personalities and Characters", in *Intellectual Property Law: Articles on Crossing Borders Between Traditional and Actual* (2005, Antwerp: Intersentia)
30. "Exhaustion and Parallel Imports in Singapore", in *Exhaustion and Parallel Imports in Asia* (2004, Kluwer Law International)
31. "Intellectual Property Law in Singapore", in *Protection of Intellectual Property in Asia* (2003, Kluwer Law International)
32. "Transfer of Technology in Singapore", in *The Legal Rules of Technology Transfer in Asia* (2002, Kluwer Law International)
33. "Protection for Foreigners' Intellectual Property in Singapore", in *Doing Business in ASEAN* (2000, University of the Philippines)
34. "The Protection of Well-Known Marks in Singapore", in *The Protection of Well-known Marks in Asia* (2000, Kluwer Law International)
35. "Foreign Investment in Thailand", in *The Singapore Conference on International Business Law* (1996, Butterworths)

#### JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

1. "NUS Law's IP Journey, 1957–2017" [2017] *Singapore Journal of Legal Studies* 308
2. "The Story of Singapore's Intellectual Property Journey: 1965–2013" [2013] *The WIPO Journal* 127
3. "The Sense and Sensibility of the Anti-Dilution Right" [2012] *Singapore Academy of Law Journal* 927
4. "The 'Whom's' in Online Dissemination of Copyright Works: To Whom and by Whom is the Communication made?" [2011] *Singapore Academy of Law Journal* 373
5. "The Conundrum of 'Trade Mark Use: *City Chain v Louis Vuitton Malletier*" [2011] *Singapore Academy of Law Journal* 640
6. "Visually Impaired Persons and Copyright" (2010) 41 *International Review of Industrial Property and Copyright Law* 337 (editorial piece)
7. "Trade Marks, Language and Culture: The Concept of Distinctiveness and *Publici Juris*" (2009) *Singapore Journal of Legal Studies* 508
8. "Exploring the Flexibilities within Global IP Standards" (2009) *Intellectual Property Quarterly* 162
9. "An Interdisciplinary Perspective on the Likelihood of Confusion: Consumer Psychology

- and Trademark Infringement in an Asian Society" (2008) *The Trademark Reporter* 950
10. "Time to Rethink the Ever Expanding Concept of Trademark: The Careful Re-calibration in Singapore Trademark Law after the Controversial US-Singapore FTA" (2008) *European Intellectual Property Review* 151
  11. "The Polo Match in Singapore: England vs Europe? The Polo/Lauren Co LP v Shop in Department Store Pte Ltd" (2006) *European Intellectual Property Review* 250
  12. "The IP Chapter in the US - Singapore Free Trade Agreement" (2004) *Singapore Academy of Law* 42
  13. "Patenting of Genes in Singapore: A Closer Look at the Concepts of Utility and Industrial Applicability" (2002) *International Review of Industrial Property and Copyright Law* 392
  14. "Passing off in Singapore: Interpreting "Goodwill" for the Millennium" (2001) *Journal of Business Law* 73
  15. "Exhaustion of Rights in Trade Mark Law – The English and Singapore Models Compared" (2000) *European Intellectual Property Review* 320
  16. "Copyright protection for computer programs in Singapore – Creative Technology Ltd v Aztech Systems Ltd" (1997) *Computer and Telecommunication Law Review* 182
  17. "The meaning of 'Invented' in Trade Mark Law – Yomeishu Seizo Co Ltd v Sinma Medical Products (M) Sdn Bhd" (1997) *Singapore Academy of Law Journal* 203
  18. "Multimedia and Copyright" (1996) *Singapore Academy of Law Journal* 80
  19. "Emergence of a right to privacy within the law of confidence? – Hellewell v Chief Constable of Derbyshire" (1996) *European Intellectual Property Review* 307
  20. "The overlap between literary copyright and artistic copyright in engineering drawings" (1996) *Singapore Journal of Legal Studies* 524
  21. "Legitimising reverse engineering of computer programs in copyright law - how far have we gone in Singapore?" (1996) *International Journal of Law and Information Technology* 48
  22. "Rights of assignees of pending trademarks applications – Saga Foodstuffs Manufacturing (Pte) Ltd v Best Food Pte Ltd" (1995) *Singapore Academy of Law Journal* 438
  23. "Copyright protection for traditional compilations of facts and computerised database – is sweat copyrightable?" (1995) *Singapore Journal of Legal Studies* 96
  24. "Reverse engineering of computer programs - rethinking its prohibition" (1994) *Singapore Academy of Law Journal* 131

25. "Protection of foreign traders' rights in their trademarks registered outside Singapore" (1992) *Singapore Journal of Legal Studies* 221

#### OTHERS

1. *Virbac SA v Cheng Feiting* Case No. SDRP 05 of 2019 – decision rendered as sole panellist of the Singapore Domain Name Dispute Resolution Policy Panel
2. *MoneyGram Payment Systems, Inc v Zhu Xumei* Case No. SDRP 06 of 2015 – decision rendered as sole panellist of the Singapore Domain Name Dispute Resolution Policy Panel
3. *The Polo/Lauren Company LP v United States Polo Association* [2015] SGIPOS 10 – Decision rendered as IP Adjudicator of the Intellectual Property Office of Singapore
4. *Tiananmen KTV & Lounge Pte Ltd v Innoform Entertainment Pte Ltd* [2011] SGCRT 1 – decision rendered as a member of the Copyright Tribunal of Singapore

#### UNPUBLISHED PAPERS PRESENTED AT CONFERENCE/SYMPOSIUM

1. "AI As Inventor?" presented at the *Developments in IP Law Series 2022* organised by the IP Academy (Singapore, 27 January 2022)
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3. "Singapore's Response to Illegal Streaming via 'Grey Boxes'" presented at the *2020 Global Cooperation and Training Framework Virtual Conference on New Developments in IP Protection and Combating Digital Infringement* (Taipei Taiwan, 17 June 2021)
4. "Developments in Trade Marks/Passing Off Law (Singapore) in the Year 2020" presented at the *Developments in IP Law Series 2020* organised by the IP Academy (Singapore, 4 February 2020)
5. "Challenges in Patent Revocation: Singapore" presented at the *2016 Asia IP Symposium* organised by the Taiwan Intellectual Property Office (Taipei Taiwan, 30 September 2016)
6. "Developments in Trade Marks/Passing Off Law (Singapore & EU/UK) in the Year 2014" presented at the *Developments in IP Law Series 2015* organised by the IP Academy (Singapore, 30 January 2015)
7. "Initial Interest Confusion: Confusing the Concept of Confusion in Trademark Law?", presented at the *4<sup>th</sup> Global IP Forum* GFIP organised by the IP Academy, the Intellectual Property Office of Singapore (Singapore, 26–30 August 2013)
8. "Copyright and Technology: Friends or Foes?", presented at the *Conference on Innovation, Competition and Regulation*, organised by National Tsinghua University (Hsinchu Taiwan, 4-5 November 2011)



9. "Well-known Trade Marks", presented at the *Advanced Regional Seminar on Challenges of Branding in a Developing World: The Protection of Trademarks and other Distinctive Signs under the TRIPS Agreement*, organised by the WTO (Singapore, 14-18 November 2011)
10. "Hot Issues in Patent Law", workshop organised by the Max Planck Institute for IP and Competition Law (Berlin Germany, 6-8 October 2011)
11. "Pirate Bay and the Digital Economy Act: Is the Time Ripe for an Overhaul of Copyright Laws?", presented at the 3<sup>rd</sup> *Global IP Forum* organised by the IP Academy, Singapore (Singapore, 6-7 January 2011)
12. "Trade Marks in Singapore: Are We Heading Towards Under-Protection?", presented at the 6<sup>th</sup> *Asian IP Law & Policy Day*, Fordham Law School (New York USA, 7 May 2010)
13. "The Crossover Point in IP: The Experience of Singapore", presented at *Asia-Pacific Rim Innovation Conference* organised by the University of Melbourne (Melbourne Australia, 22-23 January 2010)
14. "A Perspective of The Singapore Trade Marks Regime: The Good, The Bad and The Ugly", presented at the seminar organised by the IP Academy, Singapore (Singapore, 5 May 2009)
15. "Copyright Issues and Flexibilities in the TRIPS Agreement and bilateral Free Trade Agreements", presented at the Singapore-WIPO Sub-regional symposium on *Policy Options in the Application of Copyright Law* (Singapore, 15-17 April 2009)
16. "Using Intellectual Property as a Tool for development", presented at the conference on *The Future of Intellectual Property in ASEAN: Balancing Rights Between Users and Owners*, organised by University of Malaya and ASEAN University Network (Kuala Lumpur Malaysia, 13-14 January 2009)
17. "IP Aspects in FTAs of Singapore: A 'Mid-Term' Report Card", presented at the conference on *IP Aspects of Free Trade Agreements in the Asia-Pacific Region*, organised by University of Wollongong and the Max Planck Institute for IP, Competition and Tax Law (Wollongong Australia, 25-26 November 2008)
18. "Different Development Levels and IP", presented at the conference on *The Impact of the WTO-TRIPS Agreement on the Economic Development of Asian Countries*, organized by the Shanghai Intellectual Property Administration (Shanghai China, 26-27 October 2007)
19. Comment on "Licensing of confidential information" (by Prof George Wei), presented at conference on *Contract and the Commercialization of Intellectual Property*, organized by the Journal of Contract Law and Singapore Management University (Singapore, 29 Sept 2006)
20. "Defence of Public Interest in Copyright Law: Recent Developments in Singapore",

presented at the *Annual Congress of ATRIP*, organized by the International Association for the Advancement of Teaching and Research in IP (Tokyo Japan, 4-6 Aug 2003)

21. "Survey of International Trademark Law Issues in Asia", presented at the symposium organized by the International Trademark Association (Washington DC USA, May 2002)