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“William is a brilliant lawyer with a sharp legal mind.”

Chambers Asia Pacific

William is a Partner and the Co-Head of JSM’s Healthcare team. Clients turn to William Chan for his expertise in medico-legal cases, leveraging his extensive experience in medical malpractice claims and disciplinary proceedings. Hospitals and healthcare professionals, including doctors, dentists, nurses and physiotherapists, trust William’s counsel in a wide range of legal proceedings, including civil claims for medical negligence, inquiries before disciplinary tribunals, Coroner's inquests, criminal cases in the context of clinical practice and judicial review cases. William has acted as advocate in Medical Council and Dental Council inquiries, and also in Coroner's inquests. He regularly delivers lectures and seminars to healthcare professionals, and also contributes articles on medical-legal issues in various newsletters regularly, including the monthly newsletter of the Hong Kong Medical Association. William serves as the Honorary Legal Adviser to a number of professional bodies, including the Hong Kong College of Orthopaedic Surgeons, the Hong Kong Orthopaedic Association, the Hong Kong College of Critical Care Nursing and the Asian Pacific Interventional Pulmonology Alliance. He is also a Lay Member of the Ethics Committee of the New Territories West Cluster. William speaks English, Cantonese and Mandarin.

Experience

Represented:

- Healthcare professionals, as well as hospitals and other healthcare organisations, in civil claims for medical negligence.

- Healthcare professionals, including doctors and dentists, in disciplinary proceedings and criminal cases in the context of clinical practice, as well as Coroner's inquests.
- Clients in other matters including judicial review cases.

Recognition

- Up and Coming – Clinical Negligence (International Firms), China – *Chambers Greater China Region*

Qualifications

Education

- The University of Hong Kong, LLB
- The University of Hong Kong, PCLL Distinction

Admissions

- Hong Kong

Languages

- Cantonese
- English
- Mandarin

Professional & community involvement

- Honorary Legal Advisor, The College of Surgeons of Hong Kong
- Honorary Legal Advisor, Hong Kong College of Orthopaedic Surgeons
- Honorary Legal Advisor, Asian Pacific International Pulmonary Alliance
- Honorary Legal Advisor, Hong Kong Orthopaedic Association
- Honorary Legal Advisor, Hong Kong College of Critical Care Nursing
- Member, Clinical Ethics Committee of the New Territories West Cluster of the Hospital Authority

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