

# Lai Yan

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## WORK EXPERIENCE

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### **Justices' Law Clerk, Supreme Court of Singapore**

*January 2022 – Present*

- In my role, I am the sole clerk to a Judge of the General Division of the High Court of Singapore. My responsibilities include researching points of law raised by cases heard by the Judge, presenting my views on how cases should be decided, and assisting with the drafting of judgments.

### **Deputy Public Prosecutor & State Counsel, Attorney-General's Chambers (Singapore)**

*January 2021 – December 2021*

- Prosecuted criminal cases with a focus on white-collar and financial crime.
- Advised ministries and other government agencies on questions of law (eg, interpretation of relevant statutes; the interface of existing legislation with policy decisions).

### **Legal Research Assistant, New York University School of Law**

*March 2020 – May 2020*

- Assisted with research on the extent of deference that courts afford to the decisions of other courts and arbitral tribunals, in proceedings to set aside or refuse enforcement of an international arbitral award.
- Identified and synthesised relevant case law from the UK, Hong Kong and Singapore.

### **Legal Research Assistant, University College London**

*2018 – 2019*

- Assisted with a paper on unjust enrichment, by researching relevant English case law and academic commentary on the subject.

## EDUCATION

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### **Master of Laws (LLM), New York University School of Law**

*August 2019 – May 2020*

- GPA: 3.78/4.0
- Classes taken covered areas such as international intellectual property law, intellectual property crimes, international commercial arbitration, conflict of laws and competition law.

### **Bachelor of Laws (LLB), University College London**

*2016 – 2019*

- Awarded First Class Honours.
- Recipient of the Andrews Medal, awarded to the most distinguished student of the graduating class.
- Final year modules: Company Law, Mergers & Valuation, Corporate Financial Strategy, Unjust Enrichment, Research Essay (Topic: "When Domestic Violence Leads to Suicide - Finding a Route to Prosecution").
- Extracurricular activities:
  - University College London Legal Hackers (Founding member & Chairperson)
  - University College London Senior Mooting Competition (1<sup>st</sup> Place)
  - Willem C. Vis (East) International Commercial Arbitration Moot and 24<sup>th</sup> Willem C. Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot (Honourable Mention)
  - Eversheds Sutherland UCL v LSE Inter-varsity Moot (1<sup>st</sup> Place).

## AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS

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### **Ranked overall 7<sup>th</sup> in Part 'B' of the Singapore Bar Examinations**

*2021*

- Awarded "Distinction" in Arbitration and Criminal Procedure.

### **Public Service Commission Scholarship (Legal Service)**

*2016*

- Merit-based scholarship that funds undergraduate and postgraduate studies.

## LANGUAGES

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English (Native); Mandarin (Working proficiency)