LAY KEI EEN (Christine)

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WORK EXPERIENCE

CHOOI & COMPANY + CHEANG & ARIFF

Associate (*December 2020 – Present*)

- Litigator focusing on commercial and corporate law including insolvency and restructuring matter and land disputes.
- Acted as junior counsel in advising a receiver and manager in dispute involving amongst other the debenture holder.
- Acted as junior counsel in disputes between liquidator and director of company (in liquidation).

REVMAX ENGINEERING SDN BHD

Legal Counsel (January 2020 – December 2020)

- Legal counsel of an oil and gas company specializing in mechanical and civil engineering works.
- Successfully reviewed terms of contract of company's potential and ongoing projects.
- Provided support and pragmatic advice on legal related matters in the company's ongoing projects, in maneuvering the execution of works under the Movement Control Order.

LEE HISHAMMUDDIN ALLEN & GLEDHILL

Pupil in Chambers | Associate (September 2016 – July 2019)

- Practiced as a litigation lawyer with experience in commercial and corporate dispute resolution.
- Experienced in alternative dispute resolutions including arbitration, mediation and adjudication.
- Acted as junior counsel of a Malaysian property developer at Construction Court in disputes involving allegations of amongst others breach of sales and purchase agreement, violation of statutory regulations and professional negligence.
- Acted as junior counsel of Malaysian private limited companies in disputes involving allegations of amongst others breach of fiduciary duties and professional negligence against its former directors.
- Acted as junior counsel and advised a statutory regulatory body in security litigations (civil claims) involving issues of market manipulation and insider trading.
- Advised government linked companies and its subsidiaries in automotive related contractual disputes leading up to appellate courts.
- Acted as junior counsel of a government-linked company in an arbitration held under the Asian International Arbitration Centre arbitration rules for a multi-million dollar service dispute against a multinational company.
- Advised and assisted a multinational company in adjudication proceedings initiated under the Construction Industry Payment and Adjudication Act 2012 (CIPAA).
- Acted as junior counsel for client in mediation with government authorities.
- Managed the portfolio of probate and administrations by acting as sole counsel, advising clients and drafting of Wills.
- Submitted before Judges and Registras at Subordinate Courts and High Courts of Malaysia and succeeded in securing interlocutory orders.
- Provided pro bono legal services to inmates, including mitigation and bail application services at Kuala Lumpur Magistrate Courts with the Legal Aid Clinic.
- Organized and emceed internal and external events in conjunction with the firm's 25th anniversary attended by amongst others alumni and clients.

OTHER EXPERIENCE

• UNHCR (United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees), Malaysia

Volunteer, Risk, Integrity & Oversight Unit (November 2019 – February 2020)
Assisted in investigation of fraud matters among refugees under the supervision of Associate Protection Officer; conducted interviews with refugees; contributed to the efforts of clearing backlog of fraud cases.

• BPP Legal Advice Clinic (Family Law and Employment Law), London Student Assistant (Term 2015/16)

• Streetlaw (Schools: Employment and Enterprise), London

• KPUM: United Kingdom & Eire Malaysian Law Students' Union

Student Ambassador for BPP University, London (Term 2015/16) Finance and Corporate Relations Executive (Term 2014/15) Finance Coordinator, KPUM – MCCHR Strategic Litigation Summer Camp 2015

• The Honourable Society of Middle Temple, Inns of Court

Cumberland Lodge Advocacy Weekend, 2016

Student Presenter (Term 2015/16)

PUBLICATION

• The Malaysian Civil Procedure (White Book), 2018, Sweet & Maxwell Asia Contributed to the commentaries on amendment application

• The Private Wealth & Private Client Review, Malaysia Chapter, 2018 Contributed to the Malaysia Chapter on Succession and Wealth Structuring

• Unlocking a Deadlock with Derivative Action, LHAG Update Update on the Federal Court ruling relating to common law derivative action

EDUCATION

Language

July 2016	The Honourable Society of Middle Temple, Inns of Court Barrister-at-law, Bar Professional Training Course, BPP University, London (Very Competent)
July 2015	University of Liverpool, LLB Upper Second Class Honours
2013 – 2014	Brickfields Asia College (BAC), United Kingdom Transfer Programme
SKILLS	
IT	Basics of Microsoft Words; Microsoft Excel; Powerpoint

English; Bahasa Malaysia; Mandarin (conversational fluency)