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E-COMMERCE and COMPETITION LAW

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The onset of the COVID-19 crisis has led to a significant limitation of physical interactions, and the corresponding rise of e-commerce platforms for the provision of various goods and services. The structure and characteristics of such platforms give rise to novel and difficult competition law issues that competition authorities and e-commerce platforms in various jurisdictions have to properly approach and tackle.

In this webinar, Connie Lee and Joshua Yeung of Des Voeux Chambers will share their insights on how to approach this novel hot topic. Key issues that will be discussed include:

- (1) Market definition for e-commerce companies;
- (2) The effect of pricing structures and algorithms on competition law; and
- (3) Downstream arrangements by e-commerce platforms to suppliers and retailers.



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SPEAKER



Connie LEE

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Connie is a Bar Scholar called to the Bar in 2009. She has a broad practice with emphasis on regulatory and competition law matters. She has experience in representing directors of Listcos in disciplinary proceedings of the Hong Kong Stock Exchange. She represented the SFC in the first trial for reversing an IPO (an over HK\$1 billion buy-back offer): *SFC v Hontex International Holdings* CACV 128/2012 and HCMP 630/2010. Recently, she is representing a Listco to stay and review the Insurance Authority's decision to take over the largest taxis insurer in Hong Kong: *Target Insurance (Holdings) Limited v Insurance Authority* ITA/1/2022.

Since 2016, she has been appointed to the Competition Commission's Panel of External Counsel. She represented one of the parties in *Competition Commission v W. Hing Construction Company Limited*, the first case in Hong Kong on market sharing and price-fixing [2019] 3 HKLRD 46; determination of penalty: [2020] 2 HKLRD 1229; and the first appeal on penalty and costs: [2022] HKCA 786. She is representing two parties in *Competition Commission v T.H. Lee Book Company Limited* CTEA 2/2020, an enforcement action against alleged price-fixing/bid-rigging involving sale of textbooks. She is also involved in *Competition Commission v Quadiant Technologies Hong Kong Limited* CTEA 1/2021, another enforcement action in relation to the sale of inserter machines.

Since 2018, Connie regularly sits as a Deputy District Judge and a Temporary Deputy Registrar of the High Court. She also sits as an arbitrator in both administered and *ad hoc* arbitrations.

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Joshua is a Bar Scholar called to the Bar in 2022. He graduated from The Chinese University of Hong Kong, ranking first in his LL.B. class. He went on to complete his Master of Law from the University of Cambridge with First Class Honours. During his studies, Joshua was awarded various scholarships and prizes for academic excellence and achievements in mooting, including the Champion, Best Advocate and Best Written Pleadings for the Herbert Smith Freehills Competition Law Moot 2019.

Joshua is currently developing a broad civil practice, with particular interest in competition law matters. As pupil, he assisted with, amongst others, *Competition Commission v W. Hing Construction Company Limited* [2022] HKCA 786, the first competition law appeal on penalty and costs; *Competition Commission v T.H. Lee Book Company Limited* CTEA 2/2020, an enforcement action involving alleged price-fixing and bid-rigging; and *Competition Commission v Quadient Technologies Hong Kong Limited* CTEA 1/2012, another enforcement action involving price-fixing.

Joshua has also published extensively on competition law issues in peer reviewed journals, including articles on the standard of proof for competition law proceedings in *Legal Studies*, and the proper approach to pecuniary penalties for competition law infringements in the *Hong Kong Law Journal*.