

## **Report of the Standing Committee on Charles Ching Memorial Scholarship 2019**

**Members:** The Hon Mrs Justice Campbell-Moffat (Chairman)  
The Hon Mr Justice Bharwaney  
Ronny Wong SC (resigned 7 November 2019)  
Chyvette Ip  
Isaac Yung  
Po Wing Kay, Deputy Honorary Secretary, Hong Kong Bar  
Association (ex officio)

1. This year, the Committee interviewed 7 applicants on 6 November 2019. Three of those had applied for the Scholarship in 2018, but were deferred to this year as a result of the Committee's decision in 2017 and 2018 to prioritise those who have begun or completed their pupillage. The other four were current year applicants.
2. Only one current year application was rejected without interview. In other words, no one was deferred to next year. This demonstrates that the amendment made last year to the application form and to the deadline for applications have been effective in avoiding premature applications.
3. The Committee now proposes to make an award of up to a total of \$50,000 each to the following:

Lau Wui Yin Candice  
Sat Sakinah  
Ko Lun Jason  
Ting Ying Emily

4. The Committee observes that Ms Ting started work as a Judicial Assistant as soon as she completed her pupillage. The Committee wishes to refer the Bar Council to Rule 9(b), which requires a scholar to undertake and commence practice as a barrister immediately after completion of pupillage. The Committee considers that Ms. Ting would satisfy this requirement as long as she commences her practice as soon as practicable, and in her circumstances, this means at the end of her employment as a Judicial Assistant. She is reminded of this requirement in the award letter.
5. This year marks the first year that Scholars have been sent to jurisdictions other than the U.K. to attend advocacy courses. They have been sent variously to Singapore, Malaysia, and South Africa, as well as the Middle Temple. The Scholars have enjoyed the courses and the Chairman has also received positive feedback from the organisers of the courses, praising the Hong Kong participants.
6. The Committee has in the current year successfully cleared up the backlog of scholars from 2013-2016 who had not yet attended an advocacy course.

7. Finally, it is with regret that the Committee must say a word of thanks to Mr Justice Bharwaney our immediate past Chairman, and to Ronny Wong SC, who are both to leave us this year. We have been deeply grateful for their support, help and generosity. They will be sorely missed.

The Hon Mrs Justice Campbell-Moffat  
Chairman  
Charles Ching Memorial Scholarship

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