Report of Committee on Competition Law 2023

- 1. The primary functions of the Committee on Competition Law ("CCompetL") are to assist the Bar Council in dealing with matters relating to competition law in the course of its business, as well as to promote and enhance the knowledge and know-how of the Membership of the Bar Association on competition law through activities including talks and secondment arrangements.
- 2. In 2023, CCompetL organised two talks for the Membership.
- 3. On 22 August 2023, CCompetL was privileged to have representatives from the Competition Commission, Lester Lee (Executive Director Legal Services) and Charlotte Ho (Head Investigations II), present a webinar titled "Panel Discussion with the Competition Commission Alternative Enforcement Options: Trends, Practical Tips and Considerations". The engaging discussion, moderated by myself, covered the benefits and considerations for different types of alternative enforcement options, trends in the use of non-litigation enforcement options and practical tips for dealing with the Commission during the investigation process.
- 4. On 11 October 2023, in a seminar moderated by Connie Lee and titled "Face to Face with The President of the Competition Tribunal: Practice, Procedure and Tips for Appearing before the Tribunal", The Hon. Mr. Justice Harris, President of the Competition Tribunal, shared invaluable tips on the "Dos" and "Don'ts" when appearing before the Competition Tribunal, as well as the use of redactions and the confidential treatment of information under the "Kam Kwong" procedure. Additionally, Carter Chim provided an informative and insightful introduction to the practice and procedure in an enforcement action before the Competition Tribunal.

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