Report of the Charles Ching Memorial Scholarship Committee

- 1. This year we had a total of 11 applicants, 7 of which attended local universities to complete their undergraduate law degrees and 6 of which spent some time at either Cambridge or Oxford University as under or post graduates. We were pleased once more to note that we had applications from all three local providers. All of the applicants were called for interview.
- 2. We did note, once again, that all of the applicants were at the very beginning of their pupilage and as a consequence would not be able to take advantage of the scholarship for another year.
- 3. Interviews took place on Friday 5 December 2014 at the Bar Secretariat. All of the applicants were capable and articulate. We were very impressed in the interview with their commitment to Human Rights, their knowledge and understanding of local issues and their entrepreneurial skills.
- 4. The Committee was conscious of its duty to the fund and the desire of the HKBA to further the legal education of junior members of the bar in respect of advocacy training. Successful candidates currently attend a two week course offered by the Middle Temple and are also given the opportunity to carry out a mini-pupillage in London chambers.
- 5. Of the 11 candidates, 9 were so engaging and impressive that the committee felt that it wished to make an award to each of them. The committee was aware that there was some small disparity in the personal financial circumstances of some of the candidates and therefore resolved to make the following awards:

Chan Yu Hin	\$40,000
Lai Anthony	\$40,000
Lam Chok, Joseph	S40,000
Leung Kai Hong	\$30,000
Li Jiani, Theo	\$60,000
Li Shing Him	\$40,000
Wong Yee Yan	\$30,000
Yan Chi Yee	\$40,000
Yung Ming Sun	\$40,000

6. The committee welcomed the continued financial support of the HKBA and also discussed the need to remind past scholars of their moral obligation to make suitable donations, no matter how small, to the fund for the benefit of future scholars.

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