JOE CHAN

Barrister

A member of Lawrence Lok QC SC Chambers

Joe focuses his practice on commercial crimes, corruption, cases in relation to Securities and Futures Ordinance, regulatory matters, disciplinary matters and other crimes. Joe has taken part in many notable crime cases and has successfully achieved acquittals in some of them. Joe accepts instructions to appear in all levels of courts and tribunals, and to conduct advisory work.

Year of Call to the Hong Kong Bar: 2008

Notable Cases

White Collar Crime Cases

The Sun Hung Kai Case – *HKSAR v. Hui Si Yan Rafael and others:* Joe was led to represent Rafael Hui, Hong Kong's former chief secretary, who was charged with bribery and misconduct in public office, in the Court of Appeal and Court of Final Appeal.

Hong Kong Resources Case –*HKSAR v. Wong Kennedy Ying Ho and others:* Joe was led to represent Chui Chuen Shun, who was charged with bribery in both the District Court and High Court. The charges against Chui Chuen Shun were eventually dropped.

China Mining Resources Case –*HKSAR v. Luk Kin Peter Joseph*: Joe was led to represent Peter Luk, China Mining Resources Group's former chairman, who was charged with bribery and conspiracy to defraud in the District Court. Joe also represented Peter Luk in the Court of Appeal and Court of Final Appeal as junior counsel.

Benefun International Holdings Case – *HKSAR v. Lo King Fat and others:* Joe was led to represent Choy Ping Fai, China Environmental Resources Group Limited's former president, who was charged with bribery and fraud, in the Court of Appeal for sentence review.

China Rich Holdings Case –*HKSAR v. Cheng Kelly Kit Yin*: Joe represented Ip Kin-man, Yueshou Environmental's former director and Lo Wah, China Rich Holdings' senior management officer, who were charged with conspiracy to defraud and money laundering, in the District Court.

Centaline Case –*HKSAR v. Chan Ngan Lau and others*: Joe was led to represent the General Manager of Centaline Property Agency Limited and the General Manager of Li & Fung Limited, who were charged with bribery, in the Court of Appeal. The Court of Appeal allowed the appeal against conviction against the General Manager of Centaline Property Agency Limited.

HKSAR v. Cheung Kam Sing : Joe was led to represent a senior accountant, who was charged with money laundering, in the Court of Appeal for appeal against conviction and sentence.

HKSAR v. Yuen Wai Chong : Joe was led to represent Education Bureau's Senior School Development Officer, who was charged with one count of misconduct in public office, in the Court of First Instance for appeal against conviction.

Julian Cheung Chi Lam's manager Case – *HKSAR v. Polly Leung*: Joe was led to represent celebrity Julian Cheung's manager Polly Leung, who was charged with three counts of fraud, in the district court.

Intellectual Property Crime Cases

Colourmix Case – HKSAR v Colourmix and another: Joe was led to represent the Colourmix and the senior manager of Colourmix. The senior manager was acquitted after the trial. Joe continued to be led to act for Colourmix in the appeal.

Wong Hoi Ying and others – Joe represented one of the 9 defendants who were accused of conspiracy to sell a huge amount of counterfeited top luxury brand goods in different premises in Kowloon. The client was acquitted after a trial of around 40 days.

Serious Crime Cases

Police Gun Grabbing and Shooting Case – *HKSAR v. Chan Chun Kin:* Joe represented a man who was accused of grabbing a police gun, shooting 3 times, resulting in 3 gunshot wounds to a police officer in the High Court. Joe successfully achieved 7:0 unanimous acquittals to all the charges.

HKSAR v L.S.L – Joe represented a man who was charged with 5 counts of rape in the High Court. The defendant was acquitted of 4 counts of rape and convicted on 1 count of rape and 6 counts of indecent assault after trial. On appeal, Joe continued to act for the defendant. The Court of Appeal allows the appeal against conviction on the basis of inconsistent verdict returned by the jury.

Bank Manager Rape Case – *HKSAR v. Mak Lap Tak*: Joe was led to represent a bank manager who was accused of raping the domestic helper. There was a hung jury on the first jury trial. Joe continued to be led to act for the defendant, the defendant was acquitted on the re-trial.

Landlord Rape Case – *HKSAR v C.T.*: Joe was led to represent a landlord who was accused of raping the daughter of the tenant in the Court of Appeal and Court of Final Appeal.

Tai Wai Garage Manslaughter Case – Joe was led to represent one of the defendants who was charged with manslaughter in a close vicinity of a garage in Tai Wai. The charge against client was eventually dropped.

Quarry Bay Serial Murder and Shooting Case – Joe is led to represent the defendant who was charged with 2 counts of murdering 2 of her family members and 2 additional counts of shooting another 2 family members with intent. The trial is pending.

Other Notable Crime Case

Langham Place escalator accident Case – *HKSAR v. Ma Siu Lun and others:* Joe was led to represent an OTIS engineer in a case of failing to ensure thorough examination of an escalator.

AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Commercial Fraud
Corruption
Securities Law
Regulatory & Disciplinary
Serious Crime
Financial Market Crimes