

## Insights into Cross-Examination: Factual and Expert Witnesses

# Cross-Examination of Experts

Date: 18 November 2020

Time: 4.30pm - 6.00pm

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## Synopsis

The role of expert witnesses is to provide independent assistance to the court, and not to advocate the client's case. The approach to the examination of experts is therefore different from that for factual witnesses. Counsel cross-examining an expert will have to be thoroughly prepared, not least because he/she is treading into an area where the expert will be far more knowledgeable. This session will discuss the dos and don'ts in the cross-examination of expert witnesses.

## Programme

4.15PM	Participants log in to Webinar
4:30PM	Presentation by Judge of Appeal Steven Chong, Supreme Court of Singapore
5.15PM	Presentation by Mr Tan Chee Meng, SC, WongPartnership
5.30PM	Q&A moderated by Mr Tan Chee Meng, SC, WongPartnership
6.00PM	End



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## Speakers



### **The Honorable Justice Steven Chong**

**Judge of Appeal,  
Supreme Court of Singapore**

The Honourable Justice Steven Chong graduated with a Bachelor of Laws (Honours) from the National University of Singapore in 1982. He was admitted as an advocate and solicitor of the Supreme Court of Singapore in 1983, and entered into legal practice with one of Singapore's top law firms, Drew & Napier, that same year. He eventually became its Joint Managing Partner at the end of 1997. In 1998, Justice Chong joined another leading Singapore law firm, Rajah & Tann, where he was appointed, first, Senior Partner and then Managing Partner. In January 1998, he was also appointed Senior Counsel. After 27 years in legal practice, he was appointed to the Bench on 1 October 2009.

Justice Chong served as the Attorney-General of the Republic of Singapore from 25 June 2012 to 24 June 2014. Upon completion of his term, he returned to the Supreme Court as a High Court Judge. On 1 April 2017, he was appointed Judge of Appeal.



### **Mr Tan Chee Meng, SC**

**Deputy Chairman,  
WongPartnership**

Mr Tan is currently the Deputy Chairman of WongPartnership LLP. He was appointed Senior Counsel in 2006. Mr Tan spent his earlier career as a civil engineer before becoming a qualified legal practitioner in 1987. He was formerly Deputy Senior State Counsel and Deputy Public Prosecutor in both the civil and criminal divisions of the Attorney-General's Chambers, and Deputy Director of the Commercial Affairs Department in Singapore. Mr Tan joined private practice in 1993.

Mr Tan has over 30 years' experience in the legal industry. His areas of practice include general civil litigation, construction and engineering dispute resolution, criminal law, insurance, professional indemnity, disciplinary proceedings, arbitration and mediation.