

# Hermia Chik

## Associate



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## Overview

Hermia is an associate in Dentons' Litigation & Dispute Resolution group in Hong Kong.

Hermia has experience in advising and representing international and Chinese clients in a broad range of civil litigation and arbitration matters, including shareholder and boardroom disputes, fraud and asset recovery, breach of contract claims (including construction contracts), professional negligence claims, corporate insolvency and bankruptcy matters and Mareva/freezing injunctions. Hermia has also assisted in non-contentious probate, employment and SFC licensing application matters.

Prior to joining Dentons, Hermia was a trainee solicitor at King & Wood Mallesons and had rotated through the dispute resolution, corporate & securities and banking & finance departments. Passionate about contentious matter and eager to gain more international exposure, Hermia was seconded to Melbourne for her second dispute resolution seat in 2018.

## Experience

### Litigation / Arbitration

- **Various overseas companies:** Acting for clients in cyber fraud cases, including for a Turkish bank in successfully recovering a large portion of the US\$20 million fraudulent sum from bank accounts of 21 defendants with urgent injunction applications in Hong Kong, mainland China, Taiwan and Singapore.
- **An English footwear brand:** Acting for client in a contractual dispute with its PRC distributor and successfully settled the dispute through mediation before trial.
- **A BVI company:** Acting for client in an HKIAC arbitration against a PRC company on a dispute over an unpaid sum of approximately US\$720 million under the share purchase agreement. The case was successfully settled with a consent award.
- **A PRC company:** Acting for client in an HKIAC arbitration against a subsidiary of a PRC bank on a dispute over an unpaid sum of approximately RMB\$250 million under the receivables nomination collection

agreement.

- **A Hong Kong company:** Acting for client in an HKIAC arbitration against a PRC state-owned enterprise over a share purchase contract with construction elements.
- **Six PRC banks:** Acting for clients for a HK\$480 million secured loan recovery against a suspended HK-listed PRC company.
- **A PRC law firm:** Acting for client in a professional negligence dispute and successfully challenged the jurisdiction of the Hong Kong Court in relation to a claim against its Hong Kong office.

## Regulatory / Complaints

- **An international mass media company:** Assisting in updating its detailed dawn raid guide.
- **Various companies and individuals:** Assisting in an application to the SFC for the approval to become substantial shareholder of a HK company with SFC licenses.
- **A Hong Kong company:** Assisting in providing legal advice in defending an employment disability discrimination complaint.

## Criminal / Disciplinary / Investigation

- **A leading Australian bank:** Acting for client in a police investigation of potential fraud against its executive officers.
- **A high-net-worth individual:** Acting for client in a criminal employment case for failure to pay wages on termination of employment with consent or connivance of director.
- **The Law Society:** Assisting the Prosecutor in a disciplinary proceedings against a lawyer in Hong Kong for breach of the Hong Kong's Solicitors' Guide to Professional Conduct.
- **A global business aviation company:** Acting for client in an ICAC investigation for bribery over jet flight orders, including attending interviews with an employee as potential witness.
- **An Australian insurance company:** Acting for client in the investigation of Royal Commission into Misconduct in the Banking, Superannuation and Financial Services Industry, including going through all the documents archived in the bank's system and categorising them based on relevance and privilege.

## Recognition

### Honors and Awards

- Champion, Willem C. Vis (East) International Commercial Arbitration Moot, 2016
- Best Prosecution Team, International Criminal Court (ICC) Moot Court Competition, 2015
- Champion and Best Oralist, CUHK Constitutional Law Moot, 2014

## Activities and Affiliations

### Prior and Present Employment

- Associate, Dentons Hong Kong LLP, 2019–present
- Trainee Solicitor, King & Wood Mallesons (Hong Kong & Melbourne), 2016–2018

# Areas of focus

## Practices

- Litigation and Dispute Resolution

## Education

- Chinese University of Hong Kong, 2016, PCLL
- Chinese University of Hong Kong, 2015, LLB
- University of Oxford, 2013, Law (Visiting Student and Full Scholar)

## Admissions and qualifications

- Hong Kong, 2019

## Languages

- Cantonese
- English
- Mandarin