

# PROFILE

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**Qualifications**

LL.B. (Hons), National University of Singapore (2012)

Advocate & Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Singapore (2013)

Member, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators

**Language**

English

## TERENCE TAN

### ABOUT TERENCE

Terence has experience handling a wide range of corporate, commercial and other complex disputes in litigation and international arbitration. His practice centers around disputes involving company directors and/or shareholders, minority oppression, breaches of fiduciary or directors' duties, civil fraud and conspiracy, banking and finance, employment, and technology.

Terence also has an active criminal law practice, and has acted as lead counsel in numerous trials involving a diverse array of commercial and non-commercial criminal offences. Terence is also an active volunteer with the Criminal Legal Aid Scheme, under which he offers pro bono legal representation to the needy.

Terence graduated from the National University of Singapore (NUS), where he was on the Dean's List for multiple years, on the overall Dean's List, and was awarded the Gower Prize as the top student in Company Law. He also represented NUS in the International Maritime Law Arbitration Moot, and was a student editor for the Singapore Journal of Legal Studies.

In Part B of the Singapore Bar Examinations, Terence was ranked joint sixth, was awarded distinctions for multiple subjects, and was awarded the SILE Prize for the best student in Ethics & Professional Responsibility.

Terence was also awarded the Singapore Academy of Law Post-Qualification Overseas Attachment, and was attached with Blackstone Chambers, a leading set of barristers' chambers in the United Kingdom.

## EXPERIENCE

Some of the matters that Terence has handled include the following:

- **Wang Fumin v Citibank Singapore Ltd [2022] SGHC 106** – Acted for the defendant bank in successfully resisting a claim of more than USD10 million in the High Court and on appeal before the Appellate Division. The claim involved allegations of fraudulent misrepresentation and negligence, in relation to FX and gold trading.
- **Vibrant Group v Tong Chi Ho and others [2022] SGHC 256; [2022] SGHCR 8** – Acted as lead counsel for a financial advisory services firm based in Australia in resisting claims for professional negligence in the context of company acquisition, where the damages claimed were more than AUD 37 million. Successfully argued at first instance and on appeal to set aside Singapore proceedings on the grounds of natural forum.
- **Telemedia Pacific Group Ltd v Credit Agricole (Suisse) SA (Yeh Mao-Yuan, third party) [2015] 1 SLR 338** – Acted for the defendant bank in successfully resisting a claim in the High Court by a customer in relation to an alleged unauthorized transfer of 225 million shares of a company listed on the SGX.
- **PP v GDK (MA/9017/2021/01)** – Acted for a senior civil servant in the education industry, in criminal prosecution for outrage of modesty. Successfully obtained acquittals for the large majority of charges after trial
- **PP v Cheow Boon Peng [2022] SGDC 87** – Acted for a businessman in the construction industry in a prosecution for more than 60 cheating offences under Sections 417 and 420 of the Penal Code. The victims were public authorities, and the matter was successfully resolved through a plea of guilt after many weeks of trial.

## ACCOLADES

### The Legal 500 Asia Pacific

International Arbitration 2022 – Recommended lawyer

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- *“Terence was a fantastic support in this case. He had a clear vision of the way ahead to bring the case to a resolution and supported me both legally and personally. His thinking and strategies were flawless, always one step ahead of the opposing party. He was able to produce strong documents, patiently taking feedback and advancing our positions while keeping a cool head and helping me make the difference between the personal and the legal. I feel I wouldn’t have been able to handle the situation without his support and couldn’t recommend him more.”*

## APPOINTMENTS/MEMBERSHIPS

- Member, Law Society of Singapore
- Member, Singapore Academy of Law
- Member, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators

## PUBLICATIONS

- International Comparative Legal Guide to Anti-Money Laundering – Singapore chapter, 2022
- International Comparative Legal Guide – Anti-Money Laundering 2023
- International Comparative Legal Guide – Anti-Money Laundering 2024