
PROFILE



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Qualifications

LL.B. (Hons), National University of Singapore (2017)
Advocate & Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Singapore (2018)

Language

English and Chinese

ANDREW CHUA

ABOUT ANDREW

Andrew is an experienced and respected criminal defence, civil and commercial counsel.

He has an extensive criminal defence practice, which spans a wide spectrum of matters, including commercial, financial and business crime, money laundering, fraud and corruption, drug offences, physical and violent crimes and other miscellaneous offences.

His civil and commercial litigation practice includes advising and representing individuals in contractual and commercial disputes, asset recovery, negligence, cyber security and technology-related disputes.

With his experience in both criminal and civil litigation, Andrew also regularly advises and represents individuals and corporations in relation to investigations and regulatory matters.

Andrew graduated from the National University of Singapore in 2017. As an undergraduate, he participated actively in local and international moot competitions. Most notably, he was part of the team that reached the Quarterfinals of the prestigious Willem C. Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot in 2017, where he won Honourable Mentions in every category of award possible.

In 2018, Andrew passed the Singapore Bar Examinations as joint-4th out of 658 candidates. He received two distinctions and was awarded Best Student in Ethics and Professional Responsibility.

Andrew has been with Drew & Napier since 2018, when he joined the firm as a trainee.

EXPERIENCE

Commercial/Financial Crimes

- Representing **Vang Shuiming**, one of the ten individuals charged in relation to the landmark “**S\$3 billion money laundering**” case, with assets of nearly **S\$210 million seized**.
- Representing a key trader involved in the “**Penny Stock Crash**”, where almost S\$8 billion in the market value of shares in three companies was erased in October 2013.

Drug Offences

- Assigned counsel for an appeal against the death penalty by **Oh Yew Lee**. Secured an **acquittal, retrial and non-capital sentence** on the basis of potential issues in the chain of custody of drug exhibits.

Civil/Commercial Cases

- Successfully represented **Razer** in a highly technical suit arising from its **security vendor's breaches of contract and negligence in misconfiguring Razer's Linux-based customer database** (leading to a data leak involving the data of nearly 147,000 customers worldwide).
- Successfully represented **Mr Bert Wong Sung Boon, former Managing Director of Fuji Xerox Singapore** in a wrongful dismissal suit, with damages in excess of S\$1.4 million awarded.

ACCOLADES

The Asia Pacific Legal 500

Dispute Resolution 2023 – Recommended lawyer

- *“Wendell Wong and Andrew Chua are able to place the client's interest foremost in their conduct of a matter”*

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- *“Wonderful personality”* – asialaw Profiles 2024
- *“Very focused on his work and able to give me timely and effective advice”* – asialaw Profiles 2024
- *“He is attentive and responsive, able to relate to the case and provide insights and share best practices, and at the same time highlight potential issues or ideas from past cases and experiences”* - asialaw Profiles 2023

APPOINTMENTS/MEMBERSHIPS

- Council Representative, Regulatory Department (Law Society of Singapore), 2023, 2024
- Council Representative, Mediation Committee (Law Society of Singapore), 2023, 2024
- Council Representative, Foreign Lawyers Advisory Panel (Law Society of Singapore), 2024
- Counsel Representative, Young Lawyers Committee (Law Society of Singapore), 2023
- Committee Member, Young Lawyers Committee (Law Society of Singapore), 2024

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- Committee Member, Criminal Legal Aid Scheme Committee (Pro Bono SG), 2023, 2024
 - Appointed Member, Civil Legal Aid Means Test Panel (Ministry of Law)
 - Appointed Member, Criminal Defence Aid Means Test Panel (Ministry of Law)
 - Volunteer Counsel, Criminal Legal Aid Scheme (CLAS)
 - Volunteer Counsel, Supreme Court's Legal Assistance Scheme for Capital Offences (LASCO)
 - Member, Law Society of Singapore
 - Member, Singapore Academy of Law

PUBLICATIONS

- ***Chambers Global Practice Guide: Anti-Corruption & Bribery (Singapore)***, 2022 – 2024
- ***The Legal 500 Country Comparative Guides: Bribery and Corruption (Singapore)***, 2021 – 2024
- ***Rewriting the Rules: The Game of International "Catch Me If You Can"***, Drew & Napier LLC, Legal Update, 6 April 2022
- ***"Paying Back" or "Payback"? Understanding the Penalty Provision under the PCA***, Drew & Napier LLC, Legal Update, 21 January 2022
- ***Just cause, and not just because***, Drew & Napier LLC, Legal Update, 19 February 2021
- ***The Science of the Art of Sentencing***, Drew & Napier LLC, Legal Update, 27 January 2021
- ***The Regime for Deferred Prosecution Agreements***, Drew & Napier LLC, Legislation Update Series, 10 April 2018