

Judicial appointments

The following is issued on behalf of the Judiciary:

The Judiciary today (December 29) announced the reappointment of four incumbent Recorders of the Court of First Instance of the High Court. All appointments are made by the Chief Executive on the recommendation of the Judicial Officers Recommendation Commission.

Mr Martin Hui Siu-ting, SC; Ms Sit Yat-wah, SC; and Ms Rachel Lam Yan-kay, SC, are reappointed as Recorders of the Court of First Instance of the High Court. The reappointments will be for three years commencing on January 1, 2024, upon expiry of their current terms.

Mr Eugene Fung Ting-sek, SC, is reappointed as Recorder of the Court of First Instance of the High Court. The reappointment will be for three years commencing on February 1, 2024, upon expiry of his current term.

The biographical notes of the appointees are as follows:

Mr Martin Hui Siu-ting, SC

Mr Hui, SC, was born in 1971 in Hong Kong. He obtained LL.B. and P.C.LL. from the University of Hong Kong in 1994 and 1995 respectively. He further acquired a Master of Laws degree in Human Rights from the University of Hong Kong in 2013. He was called to the Hong Kong Bar in 1995. He was appointed as Senior Counsel in 2015. He had been working as a legal officer in the Prosecutions Division of the Department of Justice since 1995 and was a Deputy Director of Public Prosecutions before he left the department in 2019. He has been in private practice since 2019. He was appointed as Deputy Judge of the Court of First Instance of the High Court for periods in 2019 and 2020. He has been appointed as Recorder of the Court of First Instance of the High Court since 2021.

Ms Sit Yat-wah, SC

Ms Sit, SC, was born in 1978 in Hong Kong. She obtained a Bachelor of Arts degree in Jurisprudence and a Bachelor of Civil Law degree from the University of Oxford in the United Kingdom (UK) in 2001 and 2003 respectively. She was called to the Hong Kong Bar in 2002. She was appointed as Senior Counsel in 2019. She has been in private practice since 2004. She was appointed as Deputy Judge of the Court of First Instance of the High Court for periods in 2020. She has been appointed as Recorder of the Court of First Instance of the High Court since 2021.

Ms Rachel Lam Yan-kay, SC

Ms Lam, SC, was born in 1981 in Hong Kong. She obtained a Master of Arts (Jurisprudence) degree from the University of Oxford, UK, in 2003. She further obtained a Master of Laws degree from Harvard Law School in the United States of America and a Master of Studies degree in International

Human Rights Law from the University of Oxford, UK, in 2005 and 2011 respectively. She was called to the Hong Kong Bar and to the Bar in England and Wales (Gray's Inn) both in 2004. She was admitted to the New York State Bar in 2007. She was appointed as Senior Counsel in 2019. She has been in private practice since 2006. She was appointed as Deputy Judge of the Court of First Instance of the High Court for periods in 2020. She has been appointed as Recorder of the Court of First Instance of the High Court since 2021.

Mr Eugene Fung Ting-sek, SC

Mr Fung, SC, was born in 1971 in Hong Kong. He obtained a Master of Law degree and a Master of Arts degree from the University of Cambridge, UK, in 1995 and 1997 respectively. He completed the Bar Vocational Course at the Inns of Court School of Law in London, UK, in 1996. He was called to the Bar in England and Wales (Lincoln's Inn) and in Hong Kong both in 1997. He was appointed as Senior Counsel in 2012. He has been in private practice since 1998. He was appointed as Deputy Judge of the Court of First Instance of the High Court for periods in 2014, 2015 and 2016. He has been appointed as Recorder of the Court of First Instance of the High Court since 2018.