

SJ mourns Dr Patrick Yu

The Secretary for Justice, Ms Teresa Cheng, SC, today (January 16) was saddened by the passing of Dr Patrick Yu and would wish to convey her condolences to Dr Yu's family.

Ms Cheng said, "Dr Yu was one of Hong Kong's most distinguished, reputable and well-respected advocates. In 1951, he became the first Chinese person to be appointed Crown Counsel in Hong Kong. Starting his own practice in 1953, he had succeeded in establishing himself as the top criminal lawyer in the territory before his retirement in 1983. In addition to attaining an elevated and iconic status in the legal sector, Dr Yu had also made significant contributions to the establishment of the Faculty of Law of the University of Hong Kong, the first law school in Hong Kong."

Ms Cheng added that Dr Yu would be dearly missed by the legal sector and the society.