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Education

LL.B. (Hons)	The University of Hong Kong	1996
P.C.LL.	The University of Hong Kong	1998
Certificate in Rapid Mental Interventions		2012

Appointment and services

Consultant to the Legal Advisor of the Privacy Commissioner for Personal Data	1997-98
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Chairman of the Young Barristers' Committee	2003
Member of the Bar Council	2003
Trainer to the Hong Kong Bar on Online Legal Research	2002-2005
Deputy Special Magistrate	2005
Trainer to the Judiciary on Electronic Legal Research	2006
Deputy Magistrate	2006-2010
Honorary Consultant to the Society of Rehabilitation and Crime Prevention (Mock Trial Justice Education Project)	Since 2009
Trainer to officers of the Labour Department on Law of Evidence (1-day Workshop)	2012-2014
Trainer to officers of the Labour Department on Prosecuting Labour Offences (Advanced Courses)	2013-2014
Member of the Election Committee (Legal Sub-Sector)	2016

Practice Profile

Douglas specializes in criminal defence work. His motto is to endeavour to protect his clients from being convicted except by a competent tribunal and upon legal evidence sufficient to support a conviction for the offence with which his client is charged. Doug's judicial experience, together with his calm character, has well equipped him to defend any difficult and technical cases.

The following areas form a large part of Doug's practice (in 2019-2022):

- Public Order and Criminal Justice Offences
- Civil Liberties and Constitutional Law
- Computer Crimes and Telecommunications
- Explosives and Ammunition
- Dangerous Goods
- Perverting the course of public justice
- Offences under the Prison Rules

Election Offences

Corrupt and Illegal Practices

Commercial Crimes

Money Laundering and Conspiracy to Defraud

Fraud, Credit Card Fraud and False Accounting

Technical Defence Work

Engineers Registration Board – Inquiry Committee

Medical Council – Disciplinary Inquiry

Pharmacy and Poisons Board – Disciplinary Inquiry

Police Disciplinary Hearing by the Appropriate Tribunal

General Criminal Work

Copyright Offences

Customs and Excise Offences

Immigration Offences

Triads Offences

Sexual Offences

Murder and Personal Violence

Driving Offences

Industrial Summonses

Dangerous Drugs

Preliminary Inquiries

Mental Health

Pro-bono Work

Douglas regularly undertakes pro-bono work under the Bar Free Legal Service Scheme by the Hong Kong Bar Association and the Clinical Legal Education Programme by HKU. He is most ready to offer pro-bono trial and appeal advocacy especially for the under-privileged and mental health patients.

Notable Cases

Douglas fights every case with utmost professionalism. He defended many high profile cases involving many celebrities but Doug prefers not to label any single case as notable to avoid comparison. If you would like to observe Doug's court advocacy, you are welcome to contact his secretary for seeing any of his open court cases.

Publications

Author in Annotated Ordinances of Hong Kong: Magistrates' Ordinance (Chapter 227)	2008
Author in Annotated Ordinances of Hong Kong: Interception of Communication & Surveillance Ordinance (Chapter 589)	2013
Author in Butterworths Hong Kong Media & Communication Handbook	2014

Hobbies

His main hobbies are in the law of evidence and studying the inner game of things, for example, rapid mental interventions and neuro-linguistic programming.

[Shortlist](#)

Commercial Crimes

General Crimes

Judicial Review and Public Law Matters

Civil Liberties

Public Order Offences

Disciplinary Hearings