# THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG LAW ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

## REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FOR THE PERIOD FROM JANUARY 2019 TO JANUARY 2020

Dear Members,

2019 is another busy year for The University of Hong Kong Law Alumni Association ("HKULAA"), particularly because of its committed engagement in celebration of the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the HKU Faculty of Law ("Faculty"). For details of our activities, please refer to <u>https://www.law.hku.hk/alumni/activities-and-events.php</u>.

### <u>Mentorship</u>

### (1) Law Mentorship Programme 2018-2019: Dinner Gathering

The Dinner Gathering of the Law Mentorship Programme ("Programme") 2018-2019 was held on 26 February 2019 at the Hong Kong Jockey Club. With a total of 44 pairs of mentors and mentees joining the event, the atmosphere was harmonious. Upon invitation, a number of past mentees also joined the gathering.

#### (2) Law Mentorship Programme 2019-2020

With a view to focus our resources in preparing the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebratory events, the Programme in respect of the academic year 2019-2020 was suspended and will be resumed for the academic year 2020-2021.

#### 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebratory Events

#### (1) Sports Fiesta "Sports Spectacular"

As one of the initiatives celebrating the Faculty's Golden Jubilee, the Faculty, HKULAA and the Law Association, HKUSU jointly organized a Sports Fiesta, themed "Sports Spectacular", on 17 March 2019 at the HKU Stanley Ho Sports Centre. Featuring law alumni soccer matches, track challenges and game booths, the event was attended by more than 200 alumni, friends and families and received positive feedback.

#### (2) Gala Dinner "Our Golden Era"

As finale of the celebratory events, the Faculty and HKULAA jointly organized the Gala Dinner, themed "Our Golden Era", on 24 November 2019 at the Convention Hall, Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre. Over 880 alumni, teachers and colleagues, friends and supporters of the Faculty, the University and other professional bodies participated in this joyous occasion. The evening was filled with laughter and sweet memories.

The dinner started with a performance by the Law Alumni Choir and an alumna Ms. J. Arie (LLB 2012), followed by speeches from Professor Fu Hualing, Dean of the Faculty and the Hon Mr Justice Geoffrey Ma, Chief Justice of the Court of Final Appeal. Its highlights included table prizes, a law quiz and a lucky draw. The dinner was concluded by the President's vote of thanks and singing of Law Anthem with all guests.

To thank our members' unfailing support to the event, the HKULAA also designed a 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary limited edition wine glass for members who registered to join the dinner and alumni who joined as members on the spot.

#### Law Alumni Choir & Anniversary Theme Song

Following the concert celebrating the Faculty's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary held in 2018 themed "Pop through 50 Years", members of the Law Alumni Choir participated with Ms J. Arie in the recording and performance at the Gala Dinner of the theme song "深耕半世紀" (composed by an alumnus Mr. Adrian Chow (LLB 1991, PCLL 1992, LLM 1994)). For the music video of the song, please refer to https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tA3C-ADWSxA&feature=youtu.be.

#### **Other matters**

The Executive Committee held six general meetings.

Mr Albert T da Rosa, Jr. attended the High Table Dinner of the Law Association, HKUSU on 22 October 2019.

Mr Albert T da Rosa, Jr. was appointed to represent HKULAA at the Board of Faculty of Law for a period of 3 years starting from 2 September 2019 to 1 September 2022.

The Executive Committee wishes to take this opportunity to thank the late Professor Michael Wilkinson for his tremendous support provided to the HKULAA over the years; alumni who rendered assistance in the working groups of the Sports Fiesta and the Gala Dinner; the Law Alumni Choir led by Mr. Jeffrey Sham; Ms. Julienne Jen, Principal Lecturer of the Department of Professional Legal Education, for her great contribution to the preparation of the Faculty's Golden Jubilee celebration, invaluable advice to the HKULAA and crucial link with the Faculty; Ms. Rachel Li, Ms. Gloria Wong, Mr. Augustine Hung, Ms. Rita Wai and Ms. Sandy Wong for their conscientious, efficient and proactive support.

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