## THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG LAW ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

# REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FOR THE PERIOD

# FROM DECEMBER 2012 TO NOVEMBER 2013

2012/13 is another busy year for The University of Hong Kong Law Alumni Association ("HKULAA").

• <u>http://www.hku.hk/law/alumni/events.html</u>

## Public Lectures by HKU Law Alumni

2 public lectures (in English) under the "HKU Law Alumni Lecture Series" were delivered on 25 March 2013 (Monday) and 16 April 2013 (Tuesday) at the University of Hong Kong.

- Adverse Possession Landlord v Tenant, by Mr Edward Chan, SC (LLB 1972)
- Secondary Creation Issues in Copyright and Related Rights, by Ms Winnie Tam, SC (LLB 1983, PCLL 1984)

The Association also co-organized 1 public lecture (in English) with the Hong Kong Bar Association and the Shanghai Bar Association delivered on 13 November 2013 (Wednesday) at the Academic Conference Centre, 11/F Cheng Yu Tung Tower. The President was the moderator for the lecture.

• Seminar on Penalty Clause in Contract, by Mr Edward Chan, SC (LLB 1972)

## Alumni Choir concerts

The Choir held a concert at Rayson Huang Theatre on 15 June 2013 (Saturday). Named "Family Concert", programmes included magic show and music performances by alumni and their family members.

The Choir participated in the "Friends for Life Concert" at the Hong Kong Academy for Performing Arts on 15 and 16 October 2013 (Tuesday and Wednesday). The concert was organized by the Hong Kong Academy for Performing Arts to raise funds for scholarships for its music department.

The Law Alumni Choir gave its fourth annual concert at the Grand Hall, Lee Shau Kee Lecture Centre of the Centennial Campus on 16 November 2013 (Saturday). Named "Hooray for Hollywood", the choir shared with the audience songs from great Hollywood movies, including *The Sound of Silence*, *Can You Read My Mind*, and *As Time Goes By*.

## Job Interview Workshop for Law Students

The Job Interview Workshop, held on 25 September 2013 (Wednesday) at the Moot Court of the Cheng Yu Tung Tower, attracted an attendance of over 140 students. The workshop began with a short play, written by Ms Cissy Leung (LLB 1988, PCLL 1989), to demonstrate some common mistakes of interviewees. The play was followed by a presentation of Dos and Don'ts of interview by Ms Leung. Then 3 current law students, who submitted their CVs and application letters to the hypothetical prospective employer prior to the workshop, took part in mock interviews conducted by Ms Sara Or (LLB 1987, PCLL 1988) and Mr Joseph Kwan (PCLL 1990).

## Visit to SWIMS (Swire Institute of Marine Science)

28 alumni and their family members visited the Swire Institute of Marine Science (SWIMS), a research institute of HKU's School of Biological Sciences on 5 October 2013 (Saturday). A guided tour was conducted by Professor Gray Williams, Hon. Director of the Institute.

## Law Mentorship Programme

More than 260 students attended the briefing on 3 October 2013 (Thursday). Ms Jessica Young, Associate Professor, introduced the programme. Miss Whitney Chan (PCLL) and Miss Yeung Kai Ching (PCLL) shared their experience as mentees. Mr Albert da Rosa, Jr. (LLB 1977, PCLL 1978, LLM 1991) shared his experience as mentor. 219 applications were received during the application period. 77 mentors have been recruited, and 171 students successfully joined as mentees.

The first Mentorship dinners were held at Loke Yew Hall on 29 and 30 October 2013 (Tuesday and Wednesday). Photos are available at <u>http://www.law.hku.hk/alumni/mentorship.html</u>.

# 45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Faculty – Logo & Slogan Design Competition

In celebration of the 45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Faculty in 2014, the Association organized a logo and slogan design competition. Entries are accepted until 31 January 2014 (Friday).

#### **Other matters**

The Executive Committee held 6 meetings.

The Dean hosted a dinner for the Executive Committee on 16 May 2013 (Thursday).

The President attended the inauguration ceremony of the Law Association on 8 March 2013 (Friday).

The President, Mr Albert da Rosa, Jr., Ms Jessica Young, Mr Alfred Cheng and Ms Jessica Chan attended the LLB Graduation Ceremony and joined the procession on 2 November 2013 (Saturday).

The Association co-organized a lunch with the Hong Kong Bar Association and the Peking University Law School on 19 July 2013 (Friday) to commemorate the founding of the Common Law Course Scholarship Awardee Alumni Association. The Common Law Course Scholarship Awardee Alumni Association is formed by scholarship recipients of a common law course, organized by the Hong Kong Bar Association, at the Peking University. The President and Ms Carol Wong attended the lunch.

The President accepted the offer to be a member of the Faculty Board.

The Association published an article introducing the Association and its activities in the Hong Kong Lawyers (March 2013 issue).

The Executive Committee take this opportunity to thank Ms Jessica Young, Associate Professor, for her invaluable advice to HKULAA and crucial link with the Faculty, and Ms Rachel Li and Ms Rita Wai for their cheerful, efficient and proactive support.

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