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Brief Professional Background

Education & Qualifications

- MBBS (University of New South Wales, 1990)
- Member of the Royal College of Psychiatrists
- Fellow of the Hong Kong College of Psychiatrists
- Fellow of the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine (Psychiatry)
- Specialist in Psychiatry
- Approved Doctor for the purposes of s2(2), Mental Health Ordinance

Work experience in the Hospital Authority

Dr. Wong worked for the Hospital Authority between 1991 & 2009 and was a Senior Medical Officer at Kwai Chung Hospital (KCH) since 1997. In 2005, he founded the Kwai Chung Psychogeriatrics Outpatient Clinic *cum* Carer Support Centre, the first and only ambulatory care facility in Hong Kong that provides service for elders with mental illness (with an active caseload of over 4000). His work there involved developing and delivering services for dementia, depression, suicidal ideas and other mental health problems. He also started the "Good Memory Clinic" in KCH, which deals with Mild Cognitive Impairment. As Head of the Shamshuipo Psychogeriatric team, he participated in community outreach with local NGOs. Between 1997-2008, Dr Wong was an Assistant Professor in the Department of Psychiatry at the Chinese University of Hong Kong.

Work experience in the private sector (2009-now)

Dr. Wong's clinical practice mainly focuses on the treatment of depression, anxiety disorders, dementia & medicolegal work.

Dr Wong is now spending much of his time on medicolegal work, often involving *mental capacity, testamentary capacity, MHO Part II and Guardianship applications, personal injury cases, criminal cases, murder trials, sex offences, and civil disputes.*

He is experienced in serving as **joint expert** and **single joint expert for personal injury cases (instructed by both Plaintiffs and Defendants).** To date, he has completed around 500 joint psychiatric evaluations for such cases, including clients on Legal Aid. He is cognizant of the need to objectively elicit the client's clinical features and sufferings as well as establish reliability. *He is well prepared to serve the Court and the Parties in a balanced and unbiased manner* within the designated time frame.

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He is also experienced in **evaluating mental capacity** and the retrospective evaluation of testamentary capacity in probate cases. He performs outreach visits for psychiatric assessment and to witness the execution of wills within and outside Hong Kong.

Dr. Wong has **testified as a psychiatric expert witness** in Magistrate Courts, District Courts, Family Court and the High Court on multiple occasions, instructed by both the Prosecution and the Defendant. He had worked with many Counsels and Senior Counsels.

In particular, he served as a psychiatric expert witness in the following cases :

- Lee Wai Ho v Fung Kui Chuen, HCAP 21/2011: on the retrospective determination of testamentary capacity
- Yang Foo-Oi by Leung Ping Chiu Roy, her next friend v Wai Wai Chen & Anor, HCA 1739/2010: on mental capacity evaluation.
- Lee Wa v Lok Wai Wah, HCPI 476/2010: on nervous shock
- HKSAR v Yeung Ki, HCCC 242/2013, HKSAR v Kwok Lin Choi HCCC 237/2021, HKSAR v Lee Ka Fai, HCCC 89/2019, HKSAR v. Cao Yan WKCC 6309/2017: on diminished responsibility
- HKSAR v. Ng Yan Kin HKCC 329/2018: mental illness and personality disorder;
- HKSAR v Tsim Sum Kit Ada, HCCC 272/2019: double murder trial
- HKSAR v Chan Yin Ting, HCCC 322/2020: Defendant's mental state in video footage for a manslaughter and rioting case
- Man Sze Wai v Chui Woon Ho Cecilia, DCPI 2222/2016: as single joint expert in a personal injury case.

Community work

- Member of the Hospital Governing Committee, Kowloon Hospital & Hong Kong Eye Hospital (2000-2002, 2014-2022)
- Council member of Hong Kong Medical Association (2010-2016, 2017-2020)
- Member of Medical Council of HK & MCHK's Health Committee (2015-2017)
- Non-Executive Director, Urban Renewal Authority (2008-2014)
- Member of Elderly Commission, Labour & Welfare Bureau (2006-2012)
- Member of Criminal & Law Enforcement Injuries Compensation Board (2005-2011)
- Member of Consumer Council (2002-2007) (& ex-Chairman of Research & Testing Committee)
- Elected for 4 terms as Kowloon City District Councillor (2000 2015).
- Former Chairman of the Food, Environment & Health Committee, KCDC
- Former Chairman of the Hong Kong Society of Psychiatrists,
- Ex-Secretary of Hong Kong Alzheimer's Disease Association.

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