## LEGAL PRACTITIONERS ORDINANCE (Chapter 159)

## ORDER THAT A SOLICITOR BE SUSPENDED FROM PRACTISING PANG. CHI CHUN BEDE

In accordance with section 12(2) of the Legal Practitioners Ordinance (Chapter 159), I hereby give notice that on 12 May 2022 a Solicitors Disciplinary Tribunal ('the Tribunal') found PANG, Chi Chun Bede ('the Respondent') guilty of professional misconduct. The complaint was that the Respondent, a solicitor, did on 5 February 2017 engage in conduct unbefitting a solicitor, thereby compromising his integrity, his own reputation and the reputation of the profession, contrary to common law.

The Tribunal made the following Orders:-

- (1) The Respondent be censured.
- (2) The Respondent be suspended from practice for a period of two (2) years from the date of the filing of this Order with the Registrar of the High Court.
- (3) For a period of three (3) years following the Respondent's resumption of practice after completion of the above suspension:—
  - (i) he may practice as neither a partner nor a sole practitioner;
  - (ii) he must do so under the close supervision of a solicitor approved by the Law Society of Hong Kong, who is:—
    - (a) either a partner or a sole practitioner;
    - (b) of no less than fifteen years' standing;
    - (c) practising full-time; and
    - (d) of good standing.
- (4) The Respondent shall pay the costs of these proceedings, including the costs of the Applicant in investigating the matter, the costs of the Prosecutor in prosecuting the Complaint, and the costs of the Clerk. Such costs are to be summarily assessed and are to be paid as set out below.
- (5) The Respondent shall pay the Prosecutor's costs summarily assessed at a total of HK\$155,760.
- (6) The Respondent shall pay the Applicant's costs summarily assessed at a total of HK\$77,256, which includes disbursements of HK\$43,116.
- (7) The Respondent shall pay the Clerk's costs summarily assessed at a total of HK\$31,420.
- (8) The Respondent may pay the total of the sums referred to the above, namely HK\$264,436, in three (3) tranches:—
  - (i) the first payment of HK\$88,145 is to be made on or before 1 August 2022;
  - (ii) the second payment of HK\$88,145 is to be made on or before 1 October 2022; and
  - (iii) the balance is to be paid on or before 1 December 2022.
- (9) The above payments shall be made to the Law Society.

The Statement of Findings and Order of the Tribunal dated 12 May 2022 was filed by the Clerk to the Tribunal with the Registrar on 15 June 2022.

15 June 2022

Andy HO Registrar, High Court