

Sentencing in the Magistrates' Courts

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Ms Cherry HUI was admitted to practice as a Barrister of Hong Kong High Court in 1999. In her private practice, she was involved in a wide variety of criminal cases.

Having got her law degree, Ms HUI took on a new challenge and worked as a part-time lecturer in Hong Kong for over ten years. Her major responsible subjects were business law, criminal law and advocacy. In those years, she developed her interest in being a lecturer to convey her knowledge to young people.

In 2008, Ms HUI took on an entirely new role, as she was appointed as a Deputy Special Magistrate for 11 months. The appointment gave her an opportunity to gain valuable experience. In 2011, Ms HUI was appointed as a Deputy Magistrate for 39 months until she finished her appointment and resumed her practice in November, 2014. She enjoyed being a Deputy Judicial Officer for that period and the experience gained will definitely be beneficial to her coming challenges.

Sentencing is the act of determining a suitable punishment after someone has admitted guilt, or been found guilty, of a crime. The result is that sentencing can seem very confusing, and it is often difficult to determine why one person was punished harshly, while another is given apparent leniency in their sentencing.

Purpose of the meeting - to share her experiences and problems with the aim of improving our technical skills.

The course covers the following:

- Purposes of sentencing;
- How is sentencing worked out?
 1. Starting point;
 2. Discount;
 3. Others.
- What factors affect sentencing?
 1. Multiple offences;
 2. Multiple offenders;
 3. Others.
- What are aggravating and mitigating factors?
- What types of penalties are there for committing a criminal offence?
 1. Imprisonment;
 2. Suspended sentence;
 3. Rehabilitation Centre; Detention Centre; Training Centre;
 4. Drug Addiction Treatment Centre;
 5. Probation Orders;
 6. Community Service Orders;
 7. Mental Hospitals Order;
 8. Binding Over Orders;
 9. Fine; and
 10. Compensation

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