

亞洲域名爭議解決中心  
ASIAN DOMAIN NAME DISPUTE RESOLUTION CENTRE

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**PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS**

LL.M., Information Technology and Telecommunications Laws, (awarded with distinction), Strathclyde University;

Common Professional Examination, Manchester Metropolitan University;

Postgraduate Certificate in Laws, (awarded John Griffiths Prize in Advocacy) University of Hong Kong;

**Accolades/Awards:**

Widely recognized as an outstanding practitioner and has been named over a number of years in legal directories, including “*Chamber’s Global*” as a leading individual in Communications, TMT, and Intellectual Property practices, “*Asia Pacific Legal 500*” as a leading individual in IT & Telecommunications and intellectual property practices and “*Asia Law & Practice*” as a leading lawyer in intellectual property practice.

*“Outstanding Gabriela Kennedy wins the respect of contemporaries for her strong work in domain name disputes and infringement issues arising from company names”* Chambers Asia 2008.

**LANGUAGES**

English, French, Spanish, Romanian.

Italian and Portuguese (working knowledge).

**PRESENT POSITION**

Partner, IPMT Group of Lovells, Hong Kong. Practising information technology, media, telecommunications and intellectual property law. Involved in all aspects of contentious and non contentious work relating to the information technology, media and telecommunications industry.

**AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION**

Information Technology and Telecommunications Laws, Intellectual Property Law.

**MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL BODIES**

Management and Technology Committee of the Law Society of Hong Kong;

Member, Asian Patent Attorneys Association;

Member, Institute for Trade Mark Practitioners in Hong Kong;

Legal adviser to Hong Kong Internet Forum.

**EXPERIENCE IN INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY/TELECOMMUNICATIONS/INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

Over the years, has acted for a number of brand owners and devised enforcement strategies for them in Greater China and elsewhere in Asia. Most recently, has handled company name hijacking cases in Hong Kong, devising a successful strategy to enforce court orders against company name hijackers. This strategy is now widely adopted by other legal practitioners in Hong Kong.

Has written over 150 articles on issues concerning domain names, information technology, e-commerce, telecommunications and intellectual property law for various publications, such as “*Computers and Telecommunications Law Review*”, “*Business and Technology Information Quarterly*”, “*Computerworld*”, “*China Business Review*”, “*Copyright World*”, “*Computer Law and Security Report*”, “*International Financial Law Review*”, “*eLaw Asia*”, “*European Intellectual Property Review*” and “*IP Asia*”. Is the Asia Regional Editor for “*Computer and Telecommunications Law Review*”; and also sits on the editorial board of “*Computer Law and Security Report*” for which she contributes the regular Pacific Rim news column. Has contributed chapters to a number of books including “*Intellectual Property in Asia*” book published by Kluwer Law in 2003, “*Parallel Imports in Asia*” book published by Kluwer Law in 2004; “*New Frontiers of Intellectual Property Law*” published by Hart Publishing in 2005. Co-author of the Hong Kong Halsbury copyright book.

Talks regularly at international conferences on domain names and information technology, e-commerce, telecommunications and intellectual property issues.

**Telecommunications/Information Technology:**

Taught on the LLM in Information Technology and Telecommunications Laws at the University of Hong Kong and has designed the syllabuses for three modules of this course. Has lectured on competition provisions in the Telecommunications Ordinance and on the merger and acquisition regulation for the telecoms industry in Hong Kong. Was on online tutor for the LLM in Information Technology and Telecommunications Laws offered by Strathclyde University for a number of years since 2001.

**EXPERIENCE WITH RESPECT TO DOMAIN NAMES**

Has extensive experience in domain name portfolio management and domain name recovery and has advised a number of ccTLD registries and registrars on their rules, policies and dispute resolution procedures. Has recovered over 100 domain names for clients including .com; .hk; .jp; .in; .mobi; .cn; .cc; .info and .net domain names.