# **CURRICULUM VITAE**

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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Public International Law

International Human Rights Law (especially the rights of minorities and peoples); Human Rights in Asia

Constitutional and Administrative Law

Comparative Public Law; Constitutionalism in Asia

Law and Religion; State-Religion relations

#### **QUALIFICATIONS: TERTIARY & PROFESSIONAL Degree** Institution Year Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) University of Cambridge 2001 Master of Laws (LL.M) Harvard Law School 1993 Bachelor of Arts (Jurisprudence) University of Oxford 1990 Barrister Gray's Inn, UK 1991

	SCHOLARSHIPS / ACADEMIC AWARDS
2004	National University of Singapore Young Researcher Award (faculty nominee and recipient)
2002-2003	National University of Singapore Excellent Teachers Award
2001-2002	National University of Singapore Excellent Teachers Award (Top 100 University-wide eligible faculty or Top 6%)
1998	Young Asian Visiting Scholar, University of Melbourne
1997-2000	National University of Singapore Overseas Graduate Scholarship for doctoral studies in international law, University of Cambridge
1992-1993	National University of Singapore Overseas Graduate Scholarship to read a Masters in Law, Harvard Law School
1988	Law Moderations Book Prize (Constitutional Law, Criminal Law and Roman Law), Keble College, Oxford University
1985-1988	Humanities Award (Ministry of Education, Singapore)

CAREER		
2006	Professor (with tenure), Faculty of Law, National University of Singapore (w.e.f. 1 July 2006)	
2006	Senior Fellow, Faculty of Law, University of Melbourne (Graduate Law Programme, to teach "Constitutionalism in Asian Societies", September 2006)	
2006	Visiting Lecturer, Faculty of Law, University of Hong Kong (to co-teach "National Protection of Human Rights" with Professors Yash Ghai and Hurst Hannum, March 2006)	
2000-2006	Associate Professor (with tenure), Faculty of Law, National University of Singapore	
1997–2000	Assistant Professor, Law Faculty, National University of Singapore	
1993–1997	Lecturer, Law Faculty, National University of Singapore	
1991–1992	Senior Tutor, Law Faculty, National University of Singapore	

# **EDITORIAL APPOINTMENTS**

# SINGAPORE JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL & COMPARATIVE LAW

2001-2003 Chief Editor1995-1997 Editor

# SINGAPORE YEARBOOK OF INTERNATIONAL LAW

2004 Editor

# NEW ZEALAND YEARBOOK OF INTERNATIONAL LAW

2003 - Member, Advisory Board

# SINGAPORE ACADEMY OF LAW ANNUAL REVIEW

2001 Contributor: Constitutional & Administrative Law

# BLAUSTEIN & FLANZ, CONSTITUTIONS OF THE COUNTRIES OF THE WORLD (OCEANA PRESS)

2001 Editorial Correspondent (Singapore)

# INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL OF CONSTITUTIONAL LAW (OXFORD UNIVERSITY PRESS)

2001 Developments Correspondent (Singapore)

## ASIAN YEARBOOK OF INTERNATIONAL LAW

2005-2009 General Editor (as of 9 Dec 2005)

## HUMAN RIGHTS AND INTERNATIONAL LEGAL DISCOURSE

2006 - Advisory Board Member

# SELECTED RELATED WORK EXPERIENCE / UNIVERSITY ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS

2007	Nominated Member of Parliament, 11 <sup>th</sup> Session (from 18 Jan 2007, 2.5 year term)
2007	University Representative, Public Service Commission Scholarship Selection Board
2006-2007	URC Expert Panel (Business, Humanities & Social Sciences)
2004-2006	Associate, Asia Research Institute (National University of Singapore)
2006	Ph.D. Oral Examination Committee
2006	Member, NUS Expert Panel to Review Asia Research Institute
2006	Referee, British Academy Research Grant, for Prof (Dr.) Roda Mushkat, Brunel University, <i>Managing Cross-Border Air Pollution in the Context of "One Country, Two Systems"</i> (Sept 2006)
2006	Advisor, Counsel for Lina Joy (Dato Dr. Cyrus Das, Steven Thiru, Benjamin Dawson and Yapp Hock Swee) in the apostasy litigation before the Federal Court of Malaysia (pro bono)
2006	Member of Consultation Panel, National Education Game Programme (matters relating to Singapore history, constitutional law and international law), project of the Learning Sciences Lab at the National Institute of Education led by Assoc Prof Chee Yam San, NTU
2006	Media Resource Person for 2006 General Elections: <i>Straits Times</i> , Mediacorp Radio, Channelnewsasia TV interviews
1997-2006	Academic Referee for Routledge Press, Cambridge University Press and various journals including Australian Journal of Asian Law, Singapore Journal of Legal Studies, Melbourne Journal of Int'l Law, New Zealand Yearbook of Int'l Law, African Journal of Int'l & Comparative Law, Singapore Law Review, ASLI Journal of Comparative Law; Hong Kong Law Journal
2005	Ph.D Thesis Submission • Internal Examiner (Nov 2005)

# Curriculum Vitae

2005	Member, Faculty library resource panel
2005	Presentation at Dean's request on Singapore constitutional law to Angolan Parliamentarian Mr. Bornito de Sousa, Chairman of MPLA (Peoples' Movement for the Liberation of Angola) Parliamentary Group of the Republic of Angola, Oct 2005
From 2005	Member, Faculty of Law Search Committee (from Sept 2005)
2005	Invited Briefing, Singapore Constitutional Law Issues, <i>Straits Times</i> Political Desk, Oct 2005
2005	Independent expert, led <i>Forum on Academic Freedom</i> , Arts Centre, University of Warwick, 19 Sept 2005
2005	Consultant, University of Warwick, United Kingdom (confidential opinion on issues pertaining to academic and political freedom in Singapore, for the Warwick Singapore Feasibility Project)
2005	Panel Member, University Research Committee Evaluation Panel for Humanities (URC Meeting 2)
2005	Member, Faculty of Law Research Committee
2005	Faculty Nominee for writing Chapter 3 'Government and the State' in <i>Legal Systems in ASEAN</i> for the ASEAN Law Association, available at <a href="http://www.aseanlawassociation.org/papers/sing_chp3.pdf">http://www.aseanlawassociation.org/papers/sing_chp3.pdf</a>
2005	Expert Survey Participant, <i>Powers of National Legislatures Around the World</i> , conducted by Professors Steven Fisher & Matthew Kroenig, Department of Political Science, University of Berkeley
2004	External Examiner, Faculty of Law, University of Hong Kong (National Protection of Human Rights, LLM Course (Professor Yash Ghai)
2004	Presentation to Vietnamese Delegation of Legislations: 'Administrative Law Framework of Singapore', Faculty of Law, NUS
2003	Expert Legal Witness (Singapore Constitutional Law & extradition law), <i>In the Matter of Michael McCrea and In the Matter of An Application by the Republic of Singapore</i> , in the Federal Court of Australia (Victorian District Registry)
	Expert Legal Opinion written for TP Grundy Maitland & Co (Melbourne, Australia) Michael McCrea Extradition (the operation of the <i>Constitution of the Republic of Singapore</i> and in particular Articles 22P and 12.)
2003	External Examiner (Ph.D. candidate), Faculty of Law, University of Malaya,

2002- 2003	Ph.D Thesis Submission:
	<ul> <li>Internal Examiner (Aug 2002) &amp; Re-examination (July 2003)</li> <li>Chair, Oral Viva Committee (Jan 2003)</li> </ul>
2002	Consultant, Delegation of Members of Japan House of Representatives: Briefing on Singapore constitutional law and related matters, Japanese Embassy in Singapore, 30 September 2002
2002	Chair, Doctoral Candidate Qualifying Examination Committee
2001-Present	Member, Panel of Student Advisors, Faculty of Law, NUS working in conjunction with the Office of Student Affairs (Welfare & Counseling)
1996-1997	<ul> <li>Singapore Society of International Law</li> <li>Member, Executive Committee</li> <li>Editor, Singapore Society of International Law Bulletin</li> </ul>
1996-1997	Dean's Publicity Committee
1995	Research & Drafting Aide to Counsel for the Singapore Presidency, Constitutional Reference No. 1 of 1995, [1995] 2 SLR 201 (Republic of Singapore Constitutional Tribunal)
1993-1995	Treasurer, Dean's Social Committee
2004-2005	Convener, Public Law Course (LLB)
2002-2005	Convener, Human Rights Law Course (LLB, LLM, Ph.D)
2001-2005	Convener, Public International Law Course (LLB, LLM, PhD)
2006	Convener, Human Rights in Asia Course (LLB, LLM, PhD)

EXTERNAL LECTURES & COURSES		
2002	Staff Seminar, Strategies for Doing Research and Getting Published, Faculty of Law, NUS	
2001-2006	Occasional Lecturer, Civil Service College (Topics: Legal System and Good Governance, Constitutional Framework of Singapore)	
1998	Seminar, Advanced Legal Theory & Research for Postgraduate Students, Faculty of Law, University of Melbourne	
1998	Public Lecture, "Current Developments in the Singapore Constitutional System", Centre for Comparative Constitutional Studies, University of Melbourne	

# TEACHING AND SUPERVISION

# **COURSES TAUGHT Public International Law** 1994-1997 2000-2006 **Graduate Research Seminar** 2004-2006 (Relevance of International Law to General Research) 2006-2007 **Human Rights in Asia International Human Rights Law** 2002-2005 Law, the Individual and the Community: A Cross Cultural Dialogue 1996-1997 (Taught in conjunction with the University of Toronto Law School through an interactive 'global classroom' conducted via video-conferencing. This course is believed to be the first of its kind and was conceived and pioneered by myself and my co-teachers Dr. Kevin Tan and Professor Craig Scott (University of Toronto) **Public Law** (Constitutional & Administrative Law) 1990-1991 1993-1997 2001-Present Singapore Legal System 2002-2003 (introductory lectures to international law and human rights law) Law of Contract 1993-1994 Legal Method and Singapore Legal System 1991-1992 Singapore Legal System & Constitutional Law 1993-1996 (For the Diploma in Singapore Law, for graduate students earning their law degrees outside Singapore wanting to practice here) **Directed Research Papers (Graduate: LLM)** 2002-2005 Emily F Oehlers, No apartheid is acceptable apartheid: The Nameless *Harm of Gender Segregation* (2004-2005) Roger Tan, Judicial Review and the Role of Public Interest Litigation in Promoting Good Governance in Malaysia and Singapore (LLM by

Research, 2002-2003), available on the Malayan Law Journal website at

http://www.mlj.com.my/free/articles.asp

- Davinia Filza Abdul Aziz, The Utility of International Legal Discourse in Jerusalem: Camera Lucida or Camera Obscura [published in (2003) 7 Singapore J of Int'l & Comp. Law 511-544]
- Dawn LR Tan, "International Law and the Use of Force: The Force of United Nations Norms, Institutions and Processes in the Arab-Israeli Conflict" [published [1997] 18 Singapore Law Review 404]
- Chin Siew Ping, "Autonomy Plus or State Minus? The Oslo Model of Palestinian Self Determination"
- Aaron Lee, "Re-thinking the Enforcement of International Criminal Law and the Permanent Criminal Court"
- Tan Seow Hon, "Singapore's Bill of Rights in the Light of Internationalisation of Human Rights Law: Blessing or Curse?"
- Ernest Lim Wee Kuan, Universalist (Pre)tensions and Universal Tensions in Human Rights Law
- Gerardine Goh Meishan: Abstract Ideals to Tangible Reality: Enforcing Human Rights in ASEAN states through National Human Rights Commissions
- Celina Chua, Bombing the Sacred Cows: Terrorism and its Impact on International Law
- Angela Thiang Pei Yun, Pride and Prejudice: Law, Morality, and Homosexual Politics in Singapore
- Adrian Chan Bai Hui, Libertarian Prescriptions for Pandemic Influenza? - An Assessment of the Implications of International Human Rights Law for Communicable Disease Governance in East Asian 'Communitarian' Societies
- Alex Ye: *The Principle of Proportionality*

### **Supervised Human Rights Papers: (Published)**

- Peter Straub, Farmers in the IP Wrench How patents on gene-modified crops violate the right to food in developing countries, Hastings International & Comparative Law Quarterly Vol 29 No. 2 187-214 (Fall 2005)
- Jaclyn Ling-Chien Neo, 'Anti God, Anti Islam and Anti-Quran;' Expanding the Range of Participants and Parameters in Discourse over Women's Rights and Islam in Malaysia' (2003) 21 UCLA Pacific Basin Law Journal 29
- Loh Li Qin, Situating Children of Genocidal Rape: Towards Membership in an Ethnic Community (2003) 23 Singapore Law Review 45-70
- Dominic Chan, What is Right and what is a Right? The Claim to Same-Sex Marriage, the Politicisation of Rights and the Morality of Law (2004) 24 Singapore Law Review 93-137
- Eunice Chong, Still searching for a Redeemer: Enforcing the Human Right of Freedom from Slavery in Africa (2004) 24 Singapore Law Review 138-168

## Supervised Human Rights Papers (2002-2005)

- 1. Koh Bi' Na, Purging Religious Expression from the Public Square: Competing Notions of Secularism and Scope of Religious Freedom
- 2. Shaun Laubman, Human Rights for the Guilty? Protecting the Rights of Imprisoned Foreign Nationals
- 3. Francisca Mendes, To what extent can human rights law affect the direction of the research of private drug companies?
- 4. Claudia Poon, From Colony to Special Administrative Region: The ICCPR, Handover, National Security Bill, and their Implications on Civil and Political Rights in Hong Kong
- 5. Dominic Chan, *Human Rights and the Claim to Same-Sex Marriages across Cultures: The Confusion between what is Right and* What is a Right.
- 6. Tan Hsien Li, Curing the blindness: The quest for equitable society by recognising women's right to self-determination through political participation.
- 7. Sophie Johnson, Embarrassed to be British); An investigation and critique into the controversies surrounding the content of Right to Asylum in the UK
- 8. Csilla Szenthe, The right to education and its malfunction in the case of the Roma and other minorities
- 9. Chen Weiling, Unrecognised rights: A Child's right to self-determination and freedom from tradition, religion and culture
- 10. Alexandria Chia: The Right to Culture: Dissected and Defined
- 11. Eunice Chong, Human Rights and Slavery in Africa: Still searching for a Redeemer?
- 12. Chua Yee Hoong, To what extent has the Malaysian National Commission of Human Rights promote Human rights culture in Malaysia?
- 13. Sunita Silvi, The Right to Self Determination in the Indian Sub-Continent: The Case for Kashmir
- 14. Mark Tay, Peoples' Rights in the African Charter: An appreciation and understanding"
- 15. Diana Xie Yinhuan, Fetal right to life: Reversing the tide
- 16. Vanessa Yeo, Enforcing the Right against Torture
- 17. Emelie Franck, *The Presence and forms of slavery in Brazil and preventive obligations of the government*
- 18. Abdul Basheer s/o Abdul Kader, *The Status of Refugee Children in Human Rights Law New Bearings for a Common Destination*
- 19. Renesh s/o Boss Sex Tourism in Asia from a Human Rights Perspective: The Roots of the Scourge and the Adequacy of the Measures in Place to Stem the Tide
- 20. Adrian Chiew, Some Just Don't Matter: A Report Card on "Rights" and

- Education in Singapore
- 21. Kenneth Chuah Wai Mun, Implications of Islam as a Political Ideology on the Human Rights of Religious Minorities in Overwhelmingly Muslim Countries: Lessons learned from the Islamic Republic of Iran and the Republic of Turkey
- 22. Sarah Corman, Genetic Discrimination and Human Dignity: the Role for International Human Rights in Responding to the Evolution of Biotechnology
- 23. Aloysius Goh, Brazil and the Rights of her Children of the Street'
- 24. Peter Johnson, Accountability of TNCs under Human Rights Law Analysis of the Current Regulatory Framework and Recommendations for Improvement'
- 25. Felix Lee Shih Yang, Paper Promises and Progressive Realization: State Action in South Africa with respect to Children's Rights since 1996 and their adequacy
- 26. Kenneth Lim, Migrant Workers in ASEAN: Diaspora or Servitude
- 27. Loh Li Qin, Situating Children of Genocidal Rape: Towards a Realization of Membership Rights
- 28. Gary Magee, The Human Right to a Clean Environment: fundamental norm or political maneuver?
- 29. Neo Ling Chien, Let's Talk: The Voices within the Malaysian Muslim Debate" "Deconstructing Women's Rights in Malaysia
- 30. Jason Rosychuk, The Organization of Islamic Conferences and Human Rights: Why the World should reject the argument of Cultural Relativism when used to Derogate from Human Rights
- 31. Nicole Schroder, Holding Host States and TNCs Accountable for Human Rights Violations in Myanmar An Investigation
- 32. Mark Seah, Walking the Tightrope: 'National Unity', Seditious Speech and the Margin of Appreciation Doctrine in Turkey
- 33. Angela Thiang, China Society for Human Rights Studies and the State of Human Rights Discourse in China: Tottering Forward with Bound Feet?
- 34. Katy Webb, Human Rights and the AIDS Declaration
- 35. Michelle Yong, 'Development, Dignity and Determination: Damming the Penan
- 36. Chen Huiyi Dian Melati Johan, *Politics, Constructs and Religious Egoism in the Muslim Human Rights Discourse*
- 37. Vandaly Souvannasouk, Comparison between African Charter on Human Rights and Universal Human Rights Standards
- 38. Peter Straub, Gene-Modified Crops, Intellectual Property Rights and the Right to Food
- 39. EJ Sohn, Moving on from the past: A Challenge to the Cultural Norms in

- South Korea from the Perspective of Women's Human Rights
- 40. Marina Erica Sharpe, Refugees and Asylum-Seekers in Egypt and the "Universality" of Human Rights
- 41. Erlene Tan, The Efficacy of Human Rights Enforcement Mechanisms: An Assessment of the Adequacy of the Protection afforded Victims of Human Trafficking
- 42. Aruni Jayakody, MNCs as Right Bears and Women's Rights to Participation as an aspect of the Right to Development in a Developing Country
- 43. Peter Kramer *How should gross human rights violators be held accountable?*
- 44. Adeyeye Adefolake Oyewande, Sustainable Development and Profit Maximisation: Why the Clash? A Human Rights Perspective on the Role of MNCs in Development
- 45. Astrid Wiik, 'No al la Impunidad! Accountability for systemic gross human rights violations in Chile as an example for Democracies in Transition

### **PUBLICATIONS**

## **BOOKS**

- 1. *Managing Babel: The International Legal Protection of Minorities in the Twentieth Century,* International Studies on Human Rights Vol. 81 [Leiden / The Netherlands: Koninklijke Brill NV, 2005] 366 pages
- 2. Constitutional Law in Malaysia and Singapore 2nd ed (Singapore: Butterworths Asia, 1997) (with Kevin YL Tan) 1056 pages

### **CHAPTERS IN BOOKS**

- 1. 'Religion in the Public Square: Wall of Division or Public Square' in *Religious Pluralism and Civil Society: Sources of Social Cohesion and Conflict in Modern Society*', Bryan S Turner ed., (NUS Press, 2007, forthcoming)
- 2. 'Singapore: Administrative and Constitutional Law 2005' in *Singapore Academy of Law Annual Review* (2005) Vol 6 [forthcoming]
- 3. 'Jurisdictional Imbroglio: Civil and Religious Courts, Turf Wars and Article 121(1A) of the Federal Constitution in 'Constitutional Landmarks in Malaysia', Andrew Harding and HP Lee eds., (Forthcoming, Malayan Law Journal 2007)
- 'Taking Development Seriously: Beyond the Statist Rhetoric of the Human Right to Development in ASEAN states' in *Human Rights and Development: Approaches to the Reform of Governance in Asia*, DK Srivastava & C Raj Kumar eds., (Butterworths: LexisNexis, 2006,) 47-64
- 5. 'A Bill of Rights without a 'Rights culture'? Fundamental Liberties and Constitutional Adjudication in Singapore' in *Comparative Constitutional Law: A Feshshrift in honour of Professor P.K. Tripathi*, Mahendra Pal Singh ed., (Lucknow, India: Eastern Book Co., 2006)
- 6. 'The UN Working Group on Minorities' in *Synergies in Minority Protection*, Kristin Henrard & Robert Dunbar eds., Cambridge University Press (forthcoming, 2007)
- 7. 'Beyond the Four Walls in an Age of Transnational Judicial Conversations: Civil Liberties, Rights Theories and Constitutional Adjudication in Malaysia and Singapore' in *Constitutionalism and Constitutional Adjudication in Asia*, Sung Nak-In ed., (College of Law: Seoul National University & Korea Legislation Research Institute 2005) at 391-482
- 8. Chapter 3 'Government and the State' in *Legal Systems in ASEAN* for the ASEAN Law Association, available at <a href="http://www.aseanlawassociation.org/papers/sing\_chp3.pdf">http://www.aseanlawassociation.org/papers/sing\_chp3.pdf</a>
- 9. 'Taking Rights Seriously? Singapore and Human Rights Law' in *Human Rights in Asia: A Comparative Legal Study of Twelve Asian Countries, France and the USA*, Randy Pereenboom, Albert Chen & Carole Petersen eds. (RoutledgeCurzon, forthcoming, 2006) 158-190

- 10. 'International Law and Secession in the Asia-Pacific Region' in *Secession: International Law Perspectives*, Marcelo G Kohen ed., Cambridge University Press (2006) 297-354
- 11. 'She's a woman, but she acts very fast': Women, Religion and Law in Singapore, in *Mixed Blessings: Law, Religions, and Women's Rights in the Asia-Pacific Region*, Carolyn Evans & Amanda Whiting eds., (Brill, 2006) 241-277
- 12. 'Rule of Law within a non-liberal 'communitarian' democracy: the Singapore experience', in Asian Discourses of Rule of Law: Theories and Implementation of rule of law in twelve Asian countries, France and the US, Randall Peerenboom ed., (London & New York: Routledge 2004) 183-224
- 13. 'Singapore: Administrative and Constitutional Law 2004' in *Singapore Academy of Law Annual Review* (2004) Vol 5, 1-20
- 14. 'Singapore Administrative and Constitutional Law 2003', Singapore Academy of Law Annual Review (2003): 1-12
- 15. 'The Secular Trumps the Sacred: Constitutional Issues Arising from Colin Chan v Public Prosecutor' in *The International Library of Social Change in Asia Pacific: Singapore*, Garry Rodan ed., (Ashgate: Aldershot / Burlington USA /Singapore /Sydney, 2001) 135-214
- 16. 'Republic of Singapore' in Blaustein & Flan zeds., *Constitutions of the Countries of the World*, (Dobbs Ferry 2001) v viii
- 17. "The Constitutional Framework of Powers" in *Singapore Legal System*, 2nd ed. Kevin Tan ed (Singapore University Press, 1998)
- 18. "Law and the Administrative State" in *Singapore Legal System*, 2nd ed. Kevin Tan ed (Singapore University Press, 1998)
- 19. The Elected President and Legal Control: Quis Custodiet Ipsos Custodes" in *Managing Political Change: The Elected Presidency of Singapore*, Tan & Lam eds. (Routledge, 1997) at pages 100-
- 20. Choosing Representatives: Singapore does it Her Way" in *The People's Representatives: Electoral Systems in the Asia-Pacific Region*, Hassall & Saunders eds., (Allen & Unwin, 1997) at pages 38-59
- 21. Singapore Country Report (1993) in *Asia Pacific Constitutional Yearbook* published by Centre for Comparative Constitutional Law, University of Melbourne, Hassall & Saunders ed (with Kevin YL Tan)
- 22. Singapore Country Report (1994) in *Asia Pacific Constitutional Yearbook*, published by Centre for Comparative Constitutional Law, University of Melbourne Hassall & Saunders, ed (with Kevin YL Tan)
- 23. Singapore Country Report (1995) in *Asia Pacific Constitutional Yearbook*, published by Centre for Comparative Constitutional Law, University of Melbourne (1997), Saunders & Hassall, eds.
- 24. Singapore Country Report (1996) in *Asia Pacific Constitutional Yearbook*, published by Centre for Comparative Constitutional Law, University of Melbourne (1998), Saunders & Hassall, eds.

25. "Singapore Country Report: Human Rights and the Media" in *Democracy, Human Rights & The Media*, Robert Haas ed., (AIDCOM 1996)

### **JOURNAL ARTICLES (REFEREED)**

- 1. Judges and Religious Questions: Adjudicating Claims to Wear Religious Dress in Public Schools (2007) Journal of Religion and Human Rights (forthcoming)
- 2. (S)electing the President of Singapore: Diluting democracy? (ICON, July 2007, forthcoming)
- 3. 'Religious Dress in Schools: The Serban Controversy in Malaysia (July 2006) 55 *International & Comparative Law Quarterly*, 871-888 ( (with Jaclyn LC Neo)
- 4. 'Facilitating Independent Inquiry, Critical Thinking and Writing: An Integrated Teaching Methodology applied in Human Rights Education'. (2005/2006) 12 *International Journal of Learning* ISSN 1447-9540
- 5. 'Beyond the Four Walls' in an Age of Transnational Judicial Conversations: Civil Liberties, Rights Theories and Constitutional Adjudication in Malaysia and Singapore' (2006) 19.2 Colum. J. Asian. L. 428-518
- 6. 'Control, Co-optation and Co-Operating: Managing Religious Harmony in Singapore's Multi-Ethnic, Quasi-Secular State, (2005) 33 (2) and (3) *Hastings Constitutional Law Quarterly* 197-253
- 7. Apostasy and Religious Freedom: Constitutional Issues Arising from the *Lina Joy* Litigation [2006] 2 MLJ i
- 8. 'School Dress Codes, Religious Freedom and Human Rights (2005) 121 *Law Quarterly Review* 572-576
- 9. "Pragmatism and Realism do not mean abdication": A Critical Inquiry into Singapore's Engagement with International Human Rights Law. (2004) 8 Singapore Yearbook of International Law 41-91
- 10. 'The Death Penalty as Cruel and Inhuman Punishment before the Singapore High Court? Customary Human Rights Norms, Constitutional Formalism and the Supremacy of Domestic Law in *PP v Nguyen Tuong Van* (2004)', (Winter 2004) 4 (2) *Oxford University Commonwealth Law Journal* 213 -226
- 11. 'Constitutional 'Soft' Law and the Management of Religious Liberty and Order: The 2003 Declaration on Religious Harmony' (2004) *Singapore Journal of Legal Studies* 414-443
- 12. 'English Public Policy, the Act of State Doctrine and Flagrant Violations of Fundamental International Law: *Kuwait Airways Corp. v Iraqi Airways Co.* (2002)'; (2003) 18 Connecticut J. of International Law 585
- 13. 'Lex Rex or Rex Lex: Competing Conceptions of the Rule of Law in Singapore' (2002) 20 UCLA Pacific Basin Law Journal 1.

- 14. 'Developing a 'Peace and Security' Approach Towards Minorities' Issues': (2003) 52 *International & Comparative Law Quarterly* 115-150
- 15. 'Speakers Cornered? Managing Political Speech in Singapore and the Commitment 'To Build a Democratic Society' (2003) 3 *International Journal of Constitutional Law* 516-524
- 16. 'The Right to Political Participation in Singapore: Tailor-Making a Westminster-Modelled Constitution to fit the Imperatives of 'Asian' Democracy' (2002) 6 Singapore Journal of International & Comparative Law 516-574
- 17. 'Recent Constitutional Developments: Of Shadows and Whips, Race, Rifts and Rights, Terror and Tudungs, Women and Wrongs' (2002) *Singapore Journal of Legal Studies* 328-373
- 18. 'Battling Balkanization: Regional Approaches Towards Minority Protection Beyond Europe' (2002) 43(2) *Harvard International Law Journal* 409-468
- 19. 'Formalism, Pragmatism and Critical Theory: Reflections on Constructing an International Law Curriculum in a New (Post-Colonial) Asia', (2001) 5 Singapore Journal of International & Comparative Law 237-254
- 20. 'Resurgent Nationalism and the Minorities Problem: The United Nations and Post Cold War Developments' (2000) 4 *Singapore Journal of International & Comparative Law* 300-361
- 21. 'Implementing Human Rights in ASEAN Countries: Promises to Keep and Miles to Go before I Sleep' (1999) 2 *Yale Human Rights & Development Law Journal* 1-86
- 22. 'An i for an I': Singapore's Communitarian Model of Constitutional Adjudication (1997) 27 *Hong Kong Law Journal* Part 2 152-186
- 23. 'Trends in Constitutional Interpretation: Oppugning Ong, Awakening Arumugam' (1997) Singapore Journal of Legal Studies 240-290
- 24. 'Human Rights & Asian Values: At the Periphery of EU-ASEAN Relations?" (1997) 5 *Journal of European Studies* 27-70
- 25. 'The Impact of Internationalisation on Domestic Governance: The Transformative Potential of CEDAW' in (1997) 1 Singapore Journal of International & Comparative Law 248-350
- 26. "Working out the Presidency: The Rites of Passage" (1995) *Singapore Journal of Legal Studies* 509-527 (for a reply from the Honourable Attorney-General Chan Sek Keong, see Working out the Presidency: No Passage of Rights" in (1996) *Singapore Journal of Legal Studies* 1-39)
- 27. 'The Secular Trumps the Sacred: Constitutional Issues Arising out of *Colin Chan* v *PP*' (1995) *Singapore Law Review* 26
- 28. 'The Post Colonial Evolution of the Singapore Legislature' (1993) Singapore Journal of Legal Studies 80-122

### CONFERENCE PAPERS / PARTICIPATION

- 1. Invited Paper, VIIth World Congress of the International Association of Constitutional Law, Athens, Greece 11-15 June 2007
- 2. Speaker, International Studies Association 48<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention, Chicago IL USA 28 Feb 3 March 2007; Session: The Future of National Human Rights Institutions: Political and Legal Perspectives Part One, Paper: "Panacea, Placebo or Pawn? A Critical and Empirical Analysis of the Role of Suhakam in the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights in Malaysia"
- 3. Speaker, Freedom of Speech in Blogging and Online Forums, Forum on "Freedom of Speech How far can you go?", National University of Singapore, Democratic Socialists Club, LT9, NUS Kent Ridge Campus, 3 Feb 2007
- 4. Speaker, 'Of Pedantry and Proportionality: Judicial Review and Fundamental Liberties in Singapore', NUS-HKU Symposium on 'The Common Law in the Asian Century' 11-12 December 2006, Hong Kong University.
- 5. Invited Consultant, Expert Group Meeting on the Establishment of an ASEAN Commission on the Rights of Women and Children, 20 Nov 2006, Bangkok, organized by Office of Human Rights Studies and Social Development. Mahidol University, Thailand
- 6. Invited Participant, We have never planned to give any teeth to Suhakam": Aspiration, Actualisation and National Human Rights Protection in Malaysia (or, Teething Problems)"Resource Panel. 'Thailand's Constitutional Reforms in Comparative Perspective', Bangkok 3-5 November 2006, hosted by University of Victoria (Canada) and King Prajadhipok's Institute (Thailand) "
- 7. Invited Speaker, *Conference on Religion in Industrial Society*, organized by the Islamic Religious Council of Singapore (MUIS), 16 Aug 2006.
- 8. Invited Speaker, 2<sup>nd</sup> National Youth Forum, 26<sup>th</sup> June 2006, Singapore National Library: Discussion Dialogue Session: The Role of Law in Singapore: Master or Servant (Presentation and Q&A)
- 9. Speaker, 'Courting Secularism and Faithful Expression: Religious Identity and the Judge between Caesar and God' Law, Religion, and Social Change, ANU, Canberra, May 25-27 2006
- 10. Speaker, 'Beyond the Four Walls' in an Age of Transnational Judicial Conversations: Civil Liberties, Rights Theories and Constitutional Adjudication in Malaysia and Singapore, Opening Conference, Asian Forum for Constitutional Law: Constitutionalism and Constitutional Adjudication in Asia, Seoul National University College of Law & Korea Legislation Research Institute, Sept 2005
- 11. Speaker, Control, Co-optation and Co-Operation: Managing Religious Harmony in Singapore's Multi-Ethnic, Quasi-Secular State, Panel: Religion in the Multiethnic State and Society, Institute for Strengthening Democracy in Bosnia, Konjic, Bosnia-Herzegovina, 8<sup>th</sup> International Seminar: 'Democracy and Human Rights in Multiethnic societies', 11-15 July 2005

- 12. Virtual paper presentation, Facilitating Independent Inquiry, Critical Thinking and Writing: An Integrated Teaching Methodology applied in Human Rights Education, The Twelfth International Conference on Learning, Faculty of Education at the University of Granada, Spain from 11-14 July 2005, supported by the University of Granada, Spain and Globalism Institute, RMIT University, Melbourne, Australia
- 13. Speaker, 'Taking Development Seriously? Beyond the Statist Rhetoric of the Human Right to Development in ASEAN Countries', International Conference on Human Rights and Development: Approaches to the Reform of Governance in Asia, Organised by the School of Law, City University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong 9-10 May 2005
- 14. Speaker, 'A Tale of 2 Experiments: Religious Pluralism in Malaysia and Singapore', Socio-Legal Studies Association (SLSA) Conference, Faculty of Law, University of Liverpool, UK, 29-31 March 2005
- 15. Speaker, 'Academic Legal Writing' Singapore Law Review Writing Workshop (Come Write in), 6 Oct 2004, Faculty of Law, National University of Singapore.
- 16. Chairperson, Panel on *Human Rights and Access to Justice*, Inaugural ASLI Conference, 27-28<sup>th</sup> May 2004, *The Role of Law in a Developing Asia*.
- 17. Speaker, 'Taking Rights Seriously? Human Rights Law in Singapore, a paper presented at the Conference on Human Rights in Asia, France, and the United States of America A Comparative Empirical Study of Values, Institutions, and Practices, Centre for Comparative and Public Law, Faculty of Law, City University of Hong Kong School of Law, 14-15 May 2004.
- 18. Speaker, 'Singapore and the Rule of Law', a paper presented at the International Workshop, The Rule of Law in Vietnam and Southeast Asian Countries, 11-13 September 2003, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam, organized by the Konrad Adenauer Stiftung and the Vietnam Institute of State and Law
- 19. Speaker, 'Pretensions, Tensions and Post-Tension Rapprochement? Challenges to the Universality of Human Rights' International Symposium on Oriental Culture and Human Rights Development, October 29-31 2001, Beijing, China, sponsored by China Society for Human Rights Studies and China Foundation for Human Rights Development.
- 20. Invited Participant, Seminar on International Humanitarian Law for University Professors, Sponsored by: International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) and University Centre for International Humanitarian Law (Geneva University), 9-14<sup>th</sup> September, 2002, Geneva, Switzerland
- 21. Speaker, 'Lex Rex or Rex Lex: Competing Conceptions of the The Rule of Law in Singapore' Conference on Asian Values and Rule of Law, Hong Kong June 2002 (convened by Professor Randall Pereenboom, UCLA Law School)
- 22. Speaker, *International Law on Refugee and Minority Rights, Introductory Primer*, NUS Law Faculty Alumni Seminar Series, Ng Yuina, "Living with the Karenni: A Personal Account", April 2002.
- 23. Panel Discussant, Session 5, 'Developing International Law Curricula for the New Asia', Society of International Law, Singapore & Foundation for the Development of International Law in Asia Conference, 'Teaching and Scholarship in International Law in Asia: Challenge and Response' 30-31<sup>st</sup> July 2001, Fort Canning Lodge, Singapore

- 24. Participant, The Fourth Asia—Europe Meeting Informal Seminar on Human Rights, Denpasar-Bali, 12-13 July 2001
- 25. Speaker, Session Four, 'Human Rights Protection and ASEAN prospects' Symposium on The State, Civil Society and the Media in ASEAN, 7-9 September 1999, Nikko Hotel, Kuala Lumpur (AIDCOM & Canadian International Development Agency); presented a paper on 'To Everything there is a Season": Evaluating the Project of an ASEAN Human Rights Mechanism'
- 26. Participant, United Nations Working Group on Minorities (5th Session, May 1999), Geneva
- 27. Speaker, 'Human Rights in the ASEAN Context: Problems and Prospects' at the Linking the Domestic and the International: Human Rights into the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: Conference in Celebration of the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the International Human Rights Programme, Faculty of Law, University of Toronto October 2-4 1998
- 28. 'Human Rights & Asian Values: At the Periphery of EU-ASEAN Relations?' A Paper presented at the Third CUESP (Chulalongkorn University European Studies Programme) International Conference, Bangkok, Thailand February 1997 on "New Perspectives on ASEAN-EU Relations: From ASEM I to ASEM II and Beyond" published in July-December (1997) 5 Journal of European Studies No. 2
- 29. 'Beyond the Four Walls: Constitutional Liberties, Human Rights and the Singapore Experience' A paper presented at the Third LAWASIA Comparative Constitutional Law Conference, Macau 18-20 November 1996 extracted in Kevin YL Tan and Thio Li-ann, Constitutional Law in Malaysia and Singapore (Singapore: Butterworths, 1997) at pages 520-522
- 30. 'In Search of the Constitution: Concepts, Values and Reality'; paper delivered on "The Constitutional Review of Liberties in Singapore" Singapore Academy of Law Legal Education Seminar 12 October 1996
- 31. 'Accountability of the Judiciary': a paper delivered at the Regional Seminar on "Media and the Role of an Independent Judiciary in a Democracy" organised by the Asian Institute for Development Communication, 27-28 August 1996, Bangkok, Thailand
- 32. Panel Discussant, Seminar on 'Human Rights and Asian Values' given by Professor Jack Donnelly, Singapore Society of International Law Seminar Series, 30 March 1996
- 33. 'Singapore Country Report: Human Rights and the Media', Asian Institute for Development Communication (AIDCOM) seminar, "Democracy, Human Rights and the Media: The ASEAN Scenario' held in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia 25-26 September 1995
- 34. Preparatory Workshop, *Towards ASEAN Human Rights Protection*, Manila, Philippines June 1995
- 35. 'Singapore and Human Rights Protection' paper delivered at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Strasbourg Conference on ASEAN Human Rights Protection, sponsored by Friedrich Naumann Stiftung. Collaborating with the European Commission for Human Rights Oct 1994)
- 36. 'Choosing Representatives, Singapore Does it Her Way' a paper presented at Second LAWASIA Comparative Constitutional Law Conference Kathmandu, Nepal, December 1994

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- 1. Reported Judgment specially commissioned for the Singapore Academy of Law Journal (on extradition law and state succession) *Vivien Then v Melendez* (1995) 7 *Singapore Academy of Law Journal* Part 2
- 2. 'Reflecting on Reflecting: Betwixt the Sterility of Positivism and the Naiveté of Utopianism in Continuity and Change 40 years of the Law Faculty, Kevin YL Tan ed (1999)
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- 4. Media Resource Person for 2006 General Elections: *Straits Times*, Mediacorp Radio, Channelnewsasia TV interviews

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