

Seminar on *18 September 2015, Friday* **Magistrates' Court Procedure & Criminal Evidence** *For Government Officials & Professionals in Courts Procedure*

The demands and expectation over public officers are ever-growing. The complexity in their working environment is also escalating. In view of these, there is a need to develop a basic understanding of the Magistrates' Courts Procedure & Criminal Evidence. Through this seminar, participants are providing with a comprehensive overview of the necessary legal knowledge of defence perspective and practical skills in relation to the criminal procedure and criminal evidence.

**Content:****Module 1 --- Magistrates' Court Procedure from Defence****Perspective:**

- Classification of offences & Jurisdiction of courts
- Criminal procedures at Magistrates' Court
- Questioning of arrested person
- Concept/important of "Disclosure" by prosecution
- Anticipating & handling defences
- Voir dire and alternative procedure & admissibility of evidence
- Burden & standard of proof
- Sentence & plea in mitigation
- Review & appeal

Module 2 --- Criminal Evidence

- Basic types of evidence & admissibility evidence
- Rules governing the use of evidence in criminal trial
- Prosecution perspectives on case analysis & Evaluation
- Proving inchoate offences & accomplice of a crime
- Hearsay & its exceptions
- Handling non-prejudicial statements
- Handling confession & inference from silence
- Legal guidelines on privilege against self-incrimination

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Hong Kong

Time: 0930 – 1700

Fee: HKD 1,500

Medium: Cantonese
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